PARTNER FACT SHEET



Projected Impact



Cultivate 1,600 hectares (ha) of land in Niger and Kaduna States in Nigeria, increasing farmers' yields by 50-100 percent.



Engage and support 1,600 smallholder maize and soybeans farmers who would generate \$5,931,707 in sales revenue each year.



Retain the current workforce of 200 employees by re-engaging 15 laid-off staff and employing 10 additional staff.



Tecni Seeds Mechanized Farming in Mokwa, Niger State. Photo Credit: Tecni Seeds Ltd.

About Tecni Seeds

Tecni Seeds Ltd (Tecni Seeds) is a seed research and production company involved in the promotion and sales of improved seed varieties and grains such as maize, soybeans, millet, sorghum, cereals, legumes, fruits, and vegetables grown in Nigeria. Tecni Seeds provides consultancy services to actors within the agriculture sector and extension services to farmers to help them increase their yields and incomes.

Co-Investment Partnership

The USAID-funded West Africa Trade & Investment Hub (Trade Hub) awarded a \$656,037 co-investment grant to Tecni Seeds to strengthen the resilience of farmers and Tecni Seeds' operations which had been disrupted by the COVID-19 pandemic, bridge the gap in agricultural extension services, and increase support for women farmers. Over this 2-year partnership (June 2022 to May 2024), Tecni Seeds will re-engage laid-off employees, recruit 1600 smallholder farmers (50 percent youth and women) and cultivate 1,600 ha of land in Niger State to produce 4,000 MT of maize and 1,320 MT of soybeans. To boost farmers' yields, Tecni Seeds will recruit 10 mobile extension agents and create four input distributional outlets in Niger and Kaduna States. Through this Trade Hub partnership, Tecni Seeds will create 24 professional jobs, engage 1,600 smallholder farmers, and create at least 10,000 indirect jobs.

Partnership Opportunities

Through sales of improved seed varieties, agricultural extension services, and grain production and aggregation services, Tecni Seeds helps to significantly improve the livelihoods of farmers and Nigeria's agricultural output. However, with additional investment, Tecni Seeds would continue to recruit new farmers as outgrowers, multiply and promote adoption of new seeds, open new input distribution outlets, and further scale operations.



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