NGO roles in PHE:
Experience of Madagascar

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Outline

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22 Regions, 118 districts, 1549 counties, 17,222 fokontany.

Total population: 17,200,000.

Annual growth rate of 2.8%.

Exceptional biodiversity (80%).

Poverty index: 72% (2004)

• 70% of population live in rural areas.
• 90% farmers.
• High dependence on Natural Resources.
• High maternal and infant mortality rates.
Local development strategies

**In Health:**
- CBD/FP.
- Small Do able Actions.
- Champion Communities.

**In Environment:**
- Community-based Forest Management.
- NR Management.

Community participation: local authorities – Local development plan - community volunteers – leaders – local associations (women groups, farmers, youth).
Main achievements

- Health indicators increased: FP use, vaccination, exclusive breastfeeding…

- Environmental preservation actions applied: Soil conservation techniques, reforestation, improved agricultural techniques, water source protection.

NGOs at Policy level

• Government main partner for local development.

• Active participation in programs review, curricula elaboration.

• Resource Mobilization.

• Advocacy for PHE integration and viability.
NGOs at Implementation level...

- Among NGOs:
  - Common vision of integrated PHE.
  - Program designing and implementing.
  - Partnership development.
  - Coordination.
  - Progress/lessons learned sharing.
  - Best practices Dissemination.
…NGOs at Implementation level

• To community:
  • Involve Local authorities in using PHE as a local development tool.
  • Support Community commitment and ownership to champion.
  • Conduct Community Needs Assessment.
  • Training, supervision and Technical Assistance.
Challenges

- Donors dependence that affects programs viability.
- Lack of adequate expertise to better respond to community emergent needs.
- Low communication.
- Advocacy to decision makers.
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