

# MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, ANIMAL INDUSTRY AND FISHERIES

## AGRICULTURE CLUSTER DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (ACDP) E-VOUCHER SYSTEM LAUNCH

Ministry Mission:"To transform subsistence farming to commercial agriculture."Ministry Vision:"A competitive, profitable and sustainable agricultural sector."



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**Districts Covered by the Agriculture Cluster Development Project** 

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The Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries (MAAIF) is implementing a sixyear project known as the **Agriculture Cluster Development Project (ACDP)** with support from the World Bank.

The project objective is "**To raise on-farm** productivity, production, and marketable volumes of five commodities (Maize, Cassava, Beans, rice and Coffee) in 12 clusters comprising of 42 districts across the country."

The project arose from the need to implement the Ministry's comprehensive plan to operationalize the **Agriculture Sector Strategic Plan 2015/16** – **2019/20 in line with the National Development Plan.** 



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**E-VOUCHER SYSTEM LAUNCH** 

Tomorrow, the 9<sup>th</sup> of November 2018, the Ministry will be launching the e-voucher system which is a mobilebased system through which farmers can access input subsidies.

Successful deployment of this system was implemented after registration of farmers and development of the farmer database of eligible farmer organizations from whose membership farmers to benefit from the e-voucher system were selected.

### The design of the e-Voucher system

The e-Voucher system was designed for use by three categories of users, that is, the Government of Uganda through ACDP as a project under the Agriculture Ministry, the farmers and the Agro-input Dealers.

In order to use the e-voucher system, individual farmers and Farmer Organizations are profiled and registered for ease of tracking beneficiaries and effective targeting of subsidies.

To ensure provision of quality inputs, Agro-input Dealers shall also be prequalified and their businesses linked with the e-voucher system.

#### The Matching Grant Scheme

The registered beneficiary farmers will contribute through the e-voucher system towards the cost of inputs and upon receipt of this contribution, Government will provide a proportionate matching subsidy for the farmer.

From that stage onwards, the farmer will then be able to order for inputs worth the value of the voucher from the Agro-input Dealer.

Basing on the orders they receive, the Agro-input dealers can then stock appropriately to meet the demand from the farmers in the respective beneficiary locations. The farmers will then be free to pick the inputs from any of the prequalified Agro-input Dealers in their area.

