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# EU Cooperation with Mali - food security projects in Ouéléssébougou, 40 kms South of Bamako, Mali

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Farms in the area of Ouélessébougou, 40 kilometers South of Bamako, are located in Sikasso, region that has become the breadbasket of Mali, thanks to the hardworking population but also to the support of international donors such as the EU. Having food security as a top priority; the EU finance a €15 million resilience programme operated by the UN World Food Programme. It consists of transferring resources to the most vulnerable population in exchange of ots participation in the restoration of community assets. Examples of this activities are the framing the millet fields with rocks to preserve the land's erosion, organising communal gardens to crop vegetables and of supporting the introduction of high nutritive value crops such as Moringa de Maroco, a tree nicknamed the tree of life, because of its high nutritive value. After 2012's drought, local communities of the area of Ouélessébougou have taken part to EU-sponsored cash for work and food for work programmes which have led to the resumption of agriculture activities. Since 2005, the European Commission, which puts resilience at the heart of its work on fighting hunger and poverty, has launched a series of food security reinforcement programmes in Mali for more than €100 million.

Only the original language version is authentic and it prevails in the event of its differing from the translated versions.

| TIME | DESCRIPTION | DURATION |
|---|---|---|
| 00:00:00 | Title | 00:00:05 |
| 00:00:05 | General view of female farmers walking | 00:00:09 |
| 00:00:14 | View of female farmers moving stones | 00:00:09 |
| 00:00:23 | Close shot of farmers moving stones | 00:00:07 |
| 00:00:30 | Close shot of farmers moving stones | 00:00:06 |
| 00:00:36 | General view of women singing | 00:00:07 |
| 00:00:43 | Soundbite of Minata Coulibaly, farmer (in BAMBARA language) : « We play music to encourage the workers. Our song say that we rely on our strong men to develop the village, not on those who remained behind » | 00:00:17 |
| 00:01:00 | Cut away of woman breast-feeding | 00:00:07 |
| 00:01:07 | Soundbite of Minata Coulibaly, farmer (in BAMBARA language) : « Thanks to the donations of food and cash, we are happy, our households are stable and the all village is happy » | 00:00:11 |

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| 00:01:18 | General shot of women singing | 00:00:07 |
| 00:01:25 | General shot of women clearing the field | 00:00:06 |
| 00:01:31 | Close shot of woman clearing the field | 00:00:11 |
| 00:01:42 | Wide shot of plant : Moringa de Maroco | 00:00:17 |
| 00:01:59 | Wide shot of Mawa Soro, head of project EU-WFP, talking to female farmers | 00:00:06 |
| 00:02:05 | Soundbite of Mawa Soro, head of project EU-WFP : « Such project is very important. We call them resilience projects but in fact they are development projects. We believe that even if we are getting out of an emergency crisis, we need to implement development. For us, such project is important as they allow communities to become self-reliant and to solve their problems. | 00:00:30 |
| 00:02:35 | Cut away shot of female farmers | 00:00:03 |
| 00:02:38 | Soundbite of Mawa Soro, head of project EU-WFP : « Our mission is to support the communities so that development kicks off even though we are in a situation of crisis. » | 00:00:08 |
| 00:02:46 | Female farmers drawing water from a well | 00:00:12 |
| 00:02:58 | Female farmer Kiatu Samake waters her field | 00:00:08 |
| 00:03:06 | Soundbite of Kiatu Samake (in BAMBARA) : « Thanks to the support and donations of EU and the World Food Programme in rice, oil and vegetables, we are all able to farm our vegetables now. Because of last year's drought, we started from scratch. » | 00:00:16 |
| 00:03:22 | Middle shot of a woman farming | 00:00:09 |
| 00:03:31 | Close shot of a woman farming | 00:00:06 |
| 00:03:37 | Wide shot of female farmers by a well | 00:00:05 |
| 00:03:42 | Wide shot of female farmers leaving their field, passing a EU signboard | 00:00:16 |

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