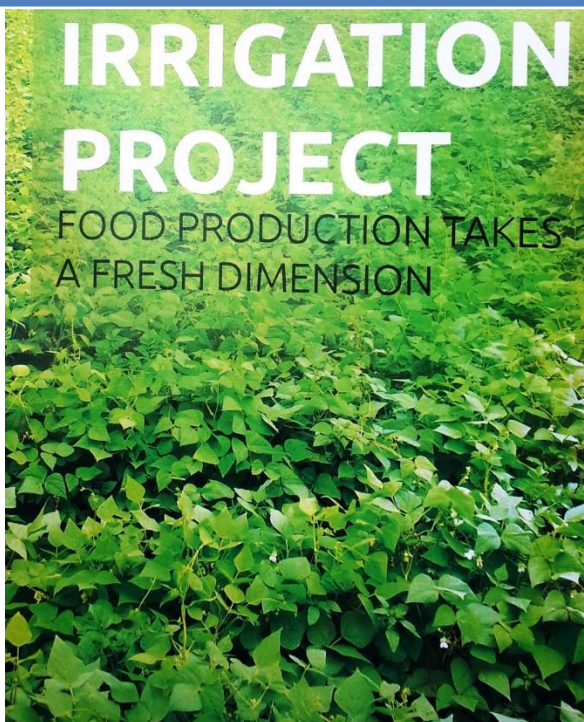




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Introduction

Bomet Development Trust (BDT) is a not-for-profit organisation established in November 2013 to aid, catalyse and facilitate various development activities in the County of Bomet, Kenya. The establishment of BDT is intended to promote the concept of “public participation” in matters of development as envisaged in the devolved system of government that came into effect in Kenya in March 2013. Thus, BDT is an all-inclusive entity whose membership and management is public-driven, but with the support of participation of the County Government of Bomet.

Vision

A prosperous citizenry, able to lead happy and fulfilling lifestyles in the County of Bomet.

Mission

To promote and ensure equitable distribution of resources and development in all part of Bomet County.

Objectives of BDT

- To promote economic activities (trade, commerce, ICT, etc.)
- To promote quality education
- To promote better healthcare
- To promote access to clean drinking water
- To promote access to quality housing
- To promote modern agriculture
- To promote infrastructure development (roads, electricity, etc.)

Management of BDT

The management of BDT is under a Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and staff employed to assist him/her in the day-to-day affairs of the Trust. The CEO is under the policy direction of the Board of Trustees of BDT. The CEO is responsible to the Board of Trustees and his/her terms of services are determined by the Board of Trustees. The CEO:

- a) Represents and acts on behalf of the Trust generally
- b) Does all necessary for the efficient running of the BDT’s affairs

- c) Keeps full, complete and up-to-date records of the BDT's operations.

Projects under implementation

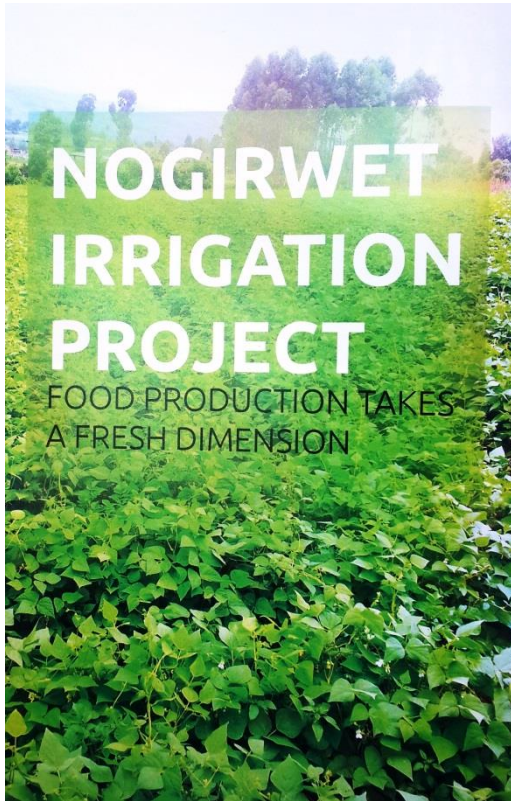
The projects, in which BDT has been involved in one way or another (e.g. promoting private investment, etc,) include the following:

1. County Bridges



In the past 12 months, the County government of Bomet has been constructing eight bridges at the cost of KES 100 million. The Kapsimbiri Bridge, which connects Bomet East and Bomet Central sub-counties, the longest and perhaps the most important of the eight bridges under construction. It spans 21 metres and is 5.5 metres wide. The other bridges are Blue Gum Bridge at Kapsimotwo, Saunet Bridge in Konoin, Koroma Bridge in Kapkoros and Mengichik Bridge in Chepalungu.

2. Irrigation project



The Nogirwet Irrigation Project in the drier parts of the County (Chepalungu sub-county) when completed will benefit over 200 farmers in the region. The project will cover an area of 168 square kilometres and is expected to improve the production of horticultural crops such as watermelon, tomatoes, onions and a variety of vegetables. The County and other

stakeholders will spend over KES 200 million when completed by end of 2015.

Healthcare

Through joint efforts of BDT, the County Government and private health sector investors, the leading hospital in the County, the Longisa



Hospital, has installed modern equipment in the health facility. The new renal unit, X-ray and dialysis machines are the products of these efforts. KES 450 million is expected to be utilised by 2014/15 FY.

3. **County publication** BDT has launched its monthly magazine, *Our County News*, which is expected to inform and entertain the County citizen as the County rolls out its development projects under the County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP, 2014/2015)



4. **Urban upgrading programme**



The County has embarked on an extensive urban upgrading programme, beginning with Bomet town. The programme will be rolled out to Sotik, Longisa, Mulot and Ndanai in subsequent financial years.