

Empowering Rwandan youth through co-operative development

In April 2012, FIOM RWANDA provided beekeeping materials including beehives, honey extracting machine and tools to 8 co-operatives in the eastern province of Rwanda.

The co-operatives, which are based in Kabarondo, Kabare, Rwinkwavu and Ndego sectors, received the materials thanks to the support of PLAN International. The support is part of the project 'Empowering Youth Through Co-operative Development', which aims to build the capacity of young people to undertake a range of income generating activities. This will help individuals, and the co-operatives in which they work, to become self-sufficient.

As part of the same project, 3 co-operatives in Gatsibo district were provided with carpentry tools.

These basic tools will significantly improve the ability of the co-operative members to earn a living in the future.

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