

# **Ghana Federation of Forest and Farm Producers – GhaFFaP**

HOW GHAFFAP DELIVERS BUSINESS INCUBATION SERVICES IN GHANA

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## **About GhaFFaP**

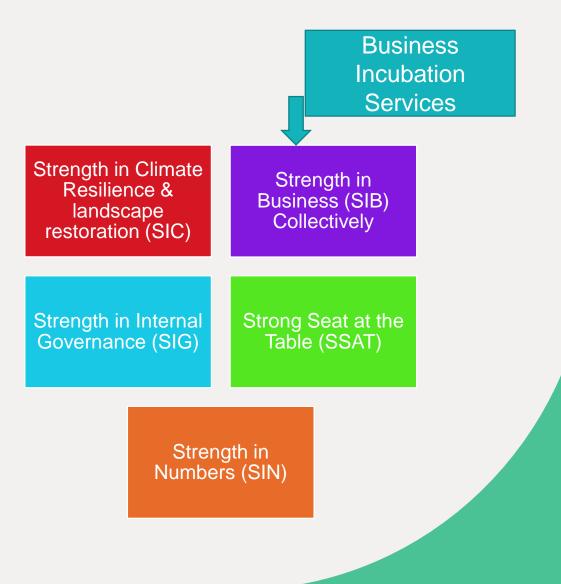
- GhaFFaP is a national federation of FFPOs
- Membership of over 1 million smallholder forest and farm producers – found in 3 ecological zones :

Forest, Transition and Savanna ecological zones

• Learn more about GhaFFaP :

www.ghaffap.org

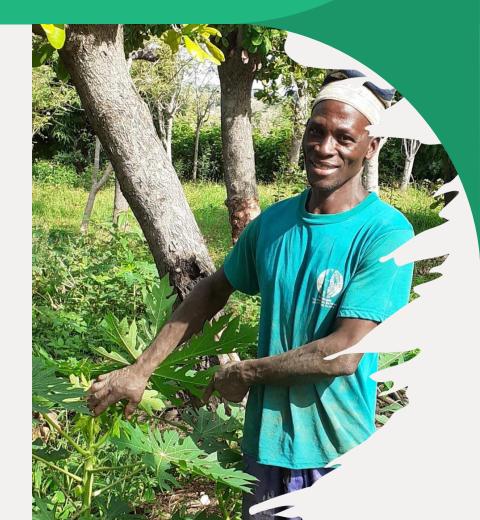






# Why the GhaFFaP business unit

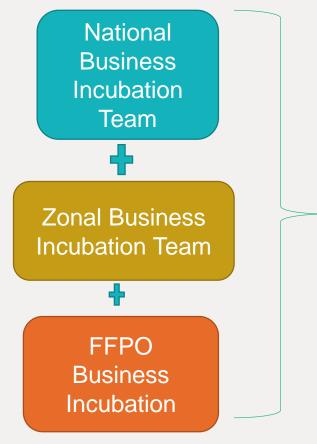
- To provide tailor-made business incubation services to GhaFFaP members – recognising that smallholders require specific capacities
- To ensure GhaFFaP member FFPOs can catalyse strength in numbers for product aggregationincreasing market share
- Provide for structured and continuous research & development providing essential information for FFPO business decisions
- Building FFPO internal business incubation capacities to enable them working independently in the long-term





## **Elements of GhaFFaP Business incubation**

#### Structure of GhaFFaP BIT



#### **Demand Driven**

**Business Incubation** 

present at all levels of

**GhaFFaP structures** 

 Supporting FFPO business transformation using 'the Basket of Products' Approach



### Case study 1 : ABOFA (Transition Zone) Aggregation and marketing of Cashew & Organic Mango





#### CASE STUDY 2 – KANBAOCU (Savanna Zone) Aggregation and Value addition - Baobab & Shea







## **Financing GhaFFaP Business Incubation**

- Current Financing : Mainly at FFPO Level
- Currently working towards : Zonal & National level financing of Business incubation

FFPO Internal – Financing of business incubation Mainly in Market Development

Capacity building, Market Research aggregation cots, etc

Portions of Profits /Margins from collective sales allocated to business incubation services



# Sharing best practices on successful business incubation

- Learning visits
- GhaFFaP Zonal Round-tables
- Monthly & Quarterly GhaFFaP Business Incubation Team meetings
- Case studies –
- GhaFFaP National Dialogues





- Business incubation critical for successful FFPO businesses
- A carefully structured approach required for financing business incubation services
- GhaFFaP member Village Savings
   Loans (VSL) Schemes provide a useful
   entry point for evolving a robust business
   incubation financing mechanism

