

Policy Prioritizing through Value Chain Analysis (PPVC)

Tracking and assessment: Private sector responses to policy and investment reforms – A case study from Tanzania

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Tanzania Sunflower value chain: 2017 - 2022

Tracking and assessing private sector responses and outcomes of policy reforms

- Selection of indicators to track and assess specific policy reforms in an end-to-end value chain approach, i.e. Tracking and assessing within the market space
- Track current/potential 2nd round "spill-overs"
- Adjustment/refinement of recommendation based on responses and market dynamics

Tracking implementation of reforms since 2017 & Private sector responses



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PROPOSED INTERVENTIONS

- Import replacement Trade policy enforcement & monitoring
- Correct classification & implementation of import tariff on crude & refined oil
- Increase in general duty on palm & sunflower oil to improve relative competitiveness of domestic production





Tracking & assessment of import tariff reforms

Tracking the role of trade policies as catalyst for development of domestic value chains

ACTIONED REFORMS

- Crude & Refined palm oil tariff adjustments - initially to 25% and 35% from 10% and 25%
- Crude & Refined sunflower oil tariff adjustments to 25% and 35% from 10% and 25%
- Enforcement mechanisms tightened to ensure correct classification of crude and refined oil imports in port

ASSESSMENT INDICATORS

- 1. Changes in imported volumes post-implementation
- 2. Changes in composition of imports of crude & refined oil
- 3. Changes in domestic production volumes of sunflower oil
- Relative competitiveness domestic production costs vs import parity prices

Assessment of trade policies – production & trade response







Palm and sunflower oil import composition



Significant increase in domestic sunflower oil production in recent years – but not sustained in 2021 due to sunflower availability constraints

Despite increasing local sunflower oil production, palm oil imports still largest share of vegetable oil consumption

While some success is clear – other policy interventions take time to reflect through value chain – more still to do to ensure sufficient production of sunflower for domestic processing

Enforcement mechanisms & greater equalization between tariffs key to split between crude and refined vegetable oil imports that changed after 2018

Source: FAO, ITC Trademap, local data

Assessment of trade policies in changing market

- Exogenous market factors also influence outcomes over time
 - Drought conditions influenced domestic production volumes
 - Global market dynamics influenced vegetable oil complex
 - Russia-Ukraine Crisis
 - Weather conditions in key regions (South America, Canada, Malaysia)
- Exogenous factors are acknowledged resilience to them should also be a policy objective



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Relative competitiveness: Domestic vs. import parity [©] [©] [©] [©] [©]



2022

USD/ton



PROPOSED INTERVENTIONS

- Improved utilization of existing capacity
- Repositioning of SME's Input VAT removal on crude oil procured from SME processors
- Investment in solvent extraction capacity
- VAT reduction on refined sunflower oil
- Aggregation knowledge generation





Tracking & assessment of VAT reforms

Assessment of policy reforms and examples of private sector led effects on IAT

ACTIONED REFORMS

ASSESSMENT INDICATORS

- 1. VAT exemption on agricultural processing equipment:
- 2. VAT exemption on sunflower seed cake
- 3. Government intention to zero rate VAT for companies doing both crushing and refining of sunflower oil (Announcement by the MoA on 5th April 2022)
- 1. Private sector investment in crushing / refining infrastructure
- 2. Using end-to-end VC flow, assess a change in production flow of oily cake into commercial market
- 3. Gross margins
- 4. Utilization rates
- 5. Secondary effects of reforms implemented by private sector





Sunflower VC Relative competitiveness & profitability © 🕅 2017 vs 2022



Sunflower crushing plants utilization remains below LT sustainable levels

	Utilisation		
		Current	Ideal
	2017	(2022)	(2030)
Solvent extraction	0%	19%	70%
Mechanical expeller	31%	38%	71%
SME	37%	49%	69%

Years to break even at current margin



- Despite of current positive crushing margins due to vegetable oils price spike, utilization rates remain below levels that will attract further long-run capital investments
- For typical investment period of 6-8 years, utilization rate above 50% is required.
- International benchmark for utilization above 75%
- Many companies actively perusing contract farming models to expand draw base and increase access to seed



Offtake agreements initiating micro finance & improved input access – but challenges remain (e.g. seed practices)



Public sector implementation of extension services

Private sector led technology adoption & mechanization training



Rural storage & traceability

Sunflower oilcake



Marketing

Oil refinement & quality control

