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Achievements at a Glance

- **\$67 Million Mobilised** for implementation of the seven-year Seed Roadmap
- **4 Major Development Partners Invested** World Bank, AfDB, IsDB, and KAFACI
- **Zero Seed Imports** achieved through strengthened local seed multiplication systems
- **8% Increase in Rice Production** recorded in 2024
- **13% Reduction in Rice Imports** saving over \$15 million in foreign exchange
- **21,260 Hectares Cultivated** including rice, cocoa, maize, and onions
- **Severe Food Insecurity Reduced** from 28% (2023) to 13% (2025)

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In Sierra Leone, where over 80% of the population depends on agriculture for their livelihoods, limited access to quality seed has long constrained productivity and food security. To address this challenge, the Technologies for African Agricultural Transformation (TAAT) programme, in partnership with the Government of Sierra Leone and key stakeholders, supported the development of the country's first Actionable Seed Roadmap under the Presidential Feed Salone initiative.

The roadmap emerged from the 2024 Sierra Leone Seed Business Summit and provided a clear investment blueprint to strengthen seed systems for rice, cassava, maize, and soybean value chains.

Building a Sustainable Seed Industry

Supported by TAAT, the roadmap identifies seed demand gaps, investment priorities, policy reforms, and institu-

tional actions needed to build a resilient national seed system. It promotes the production and distribution of quality-certified, climate-resilient seeds while strengthening the entire seed value chain from breeding to commercial seed enterprises.

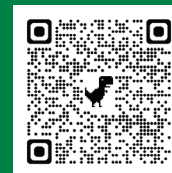
The TAAT Difference

By convening government, research institutions, development partners, seed companies, and farmers around a shared vision, TAAT helped transform a national seed strategy into an investable programme that is already delivering results.

Today, Sierra Leone's Seed Roadmap is accelerating the Feed Salone Vision, strengthening food security, reducing import dependency, creating economic opportunities, and laying the foundation for a self-sustaining seed industry that can drive agricultural transformation for generations.

TAAT Impact: Turning a national seed roadmap into \$67 million in investments, stronger seed systems, and improved food security for Sierra Leone.

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