

GROUP 6

Private Sector

- **Promoting private sector involvement in AWM**
 - Private irrigations service(groundwater drilling, provision of water lifting device, farm machinery and other inputs)
 - direct investment of the private sector in irrigation through outgrowers network or public private partnership
 - Post harvest value addition (processing, etc)
 - Development of a local/regional network of service providers
 - Support to MFIs (e.g VSACI in the Gambia) to make them respond adequately to the needs of starting entrepreneurs

Build capacity of local entrepreneurs in AWM knowledge

- local production of machineries and equipment with local materials to limit the dependency on imports (maintenance and upkeep);
- adoption of new technologies (solar power, wind power);
- Policy influencing to provide incentives for private sector involvement and make it competitive