

#### **QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT**

# The Project for Promoting Youth Employment Through Automotive Maintenance Skills Training

#### Progress per output in Q3, 2024 (Project extended until 30 April 2026)

#### Output 1. DEVELOPING COMPETENCY-BASED AND DEMAND DRIVEN CURRICULUM

#### **Curricula development:**

- After completing the consultation workshops in different regions of Sierra Leone, the National Council for Technical, Vocational, and Other Academic Awards (NCTVA) validated both the Automotive Mechanic and Entrepreneurship curricula. In September, the Ministry of Technical and Higher Education (MoTHE) conducted the final validation for accreditation. The final accreditation event is scheduled for the second week of October, making both curricula nationally accredited.

#### **Teaching Material:**

 The vendor to develop the Automotive Mechanic training materials has been selected through international competition. A total of 39 different modules will be developed in stages over the next 12 months, amounting to 960 hours of Automotive training material.

# Output 2. ESTABLISHING A CENTER OF EXCELLENCE FOR AUTOMOTIVE TECHNICIAN TRAINING

#### Infrastructure upgrade of host institution:

- The rehabilitation of the Automotive training center is in its final stages. All structural, architectural, mechanical, plumbing, and civil works have been fully completed. The remaining tasks include specific electrical installations and finishing works.
- All preparation work for the installation of the automotive lifts and equipment has also been completed to ensure a smooth installation of all machinery.

#### **Modern equipment procurement:**

- In Q1 and Q2, various equipment and tools for the automotive training center were procured through international procurement processes. In Q2, we received electrical training boards from South Africa, and in Q3, we received "Beta" automotive hand tools from the Netherlands. All items have been inspected and safely stored at the Government Technical Institute (GTI) in Kissy.

#### **OUTPUT 1**

Completed: 3 In Progress: 2 Planned: 5 Remark: Ongoing

#### **OUTPUT 2**

Completed: 5 In Progress: 2 Planned: 7 Remark: Ongoing

#### **OUTPUT 3**

Completed: 0 In Progress: 1 Planned: 5 Remark: Ongoing - The remaining procurements faced production delays; the new delivery date for automotive lifts and machinery from "Altia" in Japan is now set for end of October. Additionally, power tools from "Makita" and storage solutions from "Würth" are expected to arrive in November, along with automotive diagnostic tools from "Bosch", which are being obtained through "Rana Motors Metal Works Eng. Co. Ltd." in Ghana.

### **Photo Highlights of Q3 2024**









Pre- Rehabilitation of Automotive Centre

Currrent state of Automotive center

## **Upcoming activities for Q4 2024**

#### Output 1.

- Accreditation of both Automotive and Entrepreneurship curricula.
- Ongoing development of training materials.

#### Output 2.

- Complete the rehabilitation of the center.
- Delivery and installation of remaining equipment.

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