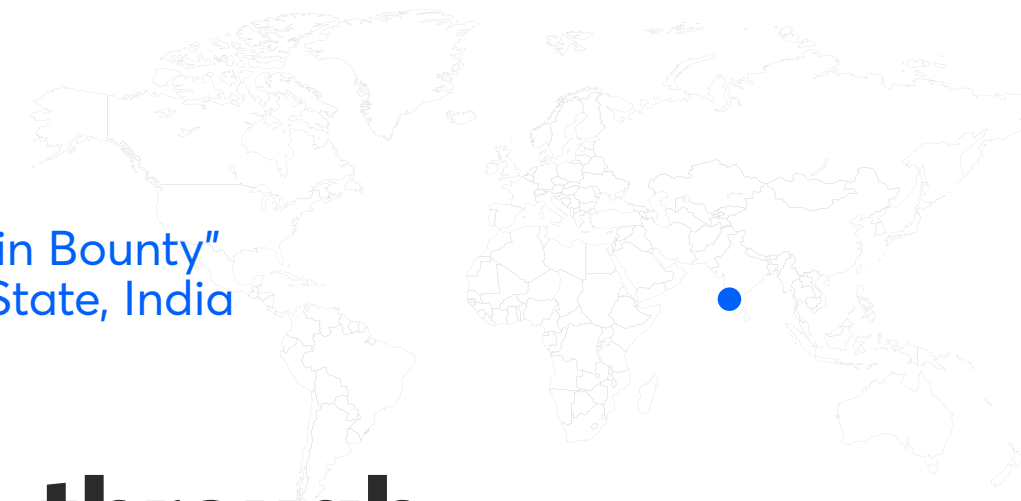




**Silent Heroes**  
around the globe.

## Wafa Water Award

Project: Mazhapolima - "The Rain Bounty"  
Location: Trichur District, Kerala State, India



# "Well Recharge through Roof Water Harvesting"

Mazhapolima is a community-based well recharge programme, initiated by the Thrissur District Administration. The programme aims to (eventually) recharge about 4.5 lakh dug wells in the district, through community awareness and action. The technology adopted for the Mazhapolima programme is mainly the roof water harvesting for open well recharging. Households in Kerala mainly depend upon homestead open dug wells than the inefficient public water supply systems. However, ground water depletion in general calls forth large scale replenishment of unconfined aquifers - Kerala's source of drinking water. The wells in the coastal areas with the poorest water quality can be improved and recovered by backwashing with rainwater.





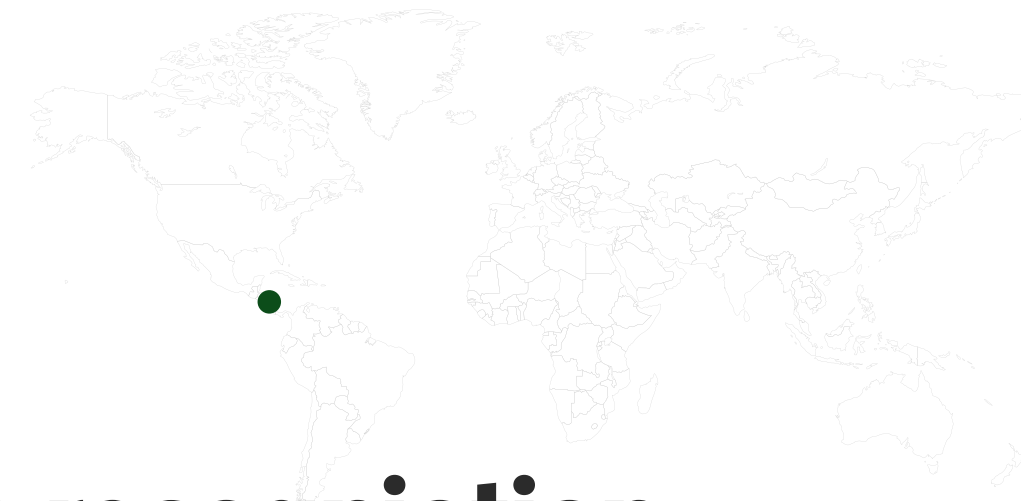
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## WAFA Air Award

Project: Fuprosomunic

Location: Nicaragua



**“The worldwide recognition WAFA offers us makes our work visible to other nations.”**

Fuprosomunic is a non-governmental organization that promotes the use of solar energy in communities of the provinces of Granada and Masaya. The project features the construction of solar stoves and food dryers while providing training in nutrition, bio-intensive home gardening, water purification, childcare, among other topics.

The solar ovens have diminished indoor air pollution considerably in the households and lessened deforestation. Remarkable health improvements have followed, and some households have seen their income increase from selling the surplus produce. The program expects to further strengthen the communities and society in general.

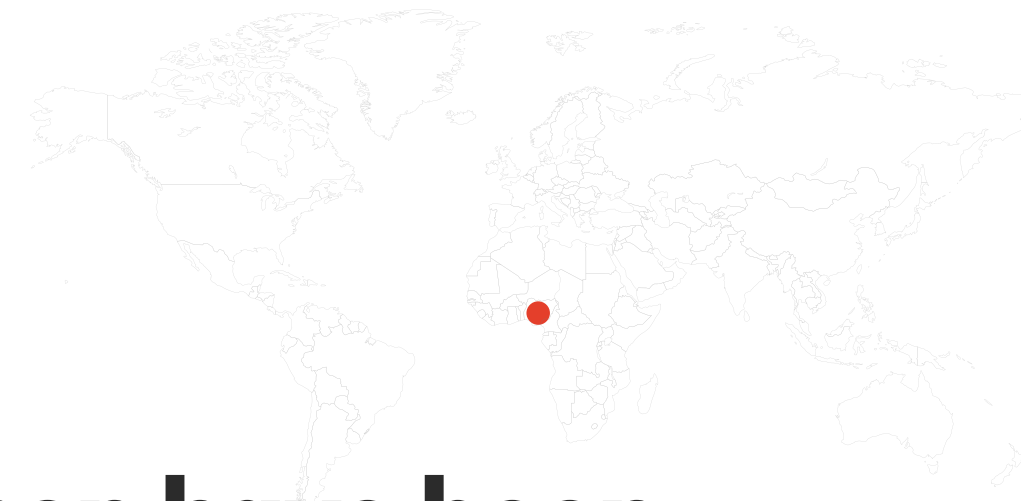


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## WAFA Food Award

Project: The Fish Farm Project

Location: Rural Nigeria



**“Over 600 women have been trained, & 345 have established their own fish farms.”**

In 2011, a poor pregnant, traumatized young school girl approached her 22-year-old school teacher, Chukwudi Anyanaso, and asked for his support so she could start a fish farm - the only way she could think to earn the money she needed to support her unborn child. Chukwudi, sensing the moment, provided just enough funding for the mother-to-be to turn her idea into a reality. And so began the People and Planet Life Foundation, a grassroots organization with one goal in mind, to eliminate rural poverty and hunger among the woman farmers of Nigeria.

Today that silent hero's vision has helped 749 Nigerian women establish their own fish farms. PPLF's goal is to have 43,000 fish farms and women lead enterprises by 2035.