Media engagement is one important strategy for us at ProNet North in trying to move our communities to the next level. To achieve this the team used the media as another form of influencing individuals & household as well as communities. Over the period, the team sort the services of a local Radio station to share community performance on air and also provided an opportunity for Natural Leaders and Community Leaders to speak about their achievements, amid the energy associated in bringing behavior change. The media also interviewed the community on the role of women during the construction of the toilets. Previous hygiene practices were also established given the current changes that had occurred. This opportunity also established whether or not there was any support given from external partners. Community members were therefore proud to talk about the effort and achievement made in the community. This, ProNet North deliberately create healthy competition among communities and also as a source of motivation for members in the communities. The initiative was carried out in 5 selected project communities. The creativity resulted in increased numbers of people constructing toilets and wanting to be heard on the media. Our aim of getting individuals oblige to step up their actions in Hygiene behavior change is gradually achieved.

The GROW Client Registration Form 2018 (CRF2018) is designed to collect program data to track progress on some Key Performances Indicators (KPIs) for the 2018/2019 farming season. This instrument capture data on clients who produce soya this season indicating the acres, farming methods and other personal information on the client. The CRF data also assist in tracking all existing clients who are still active in the project. Field officers are also assisting Clients with extension services such as early weeding and good farming practices for better harvest. This exercise is to ensure that the organization effectively track data for this year farming season.
SANMARK VSLA MONITORING

A joint monitoring, involving ProNet North (BDP) and the District Assemblies (DBI, Wa East and Sissala West) continue to visit selected VSLA Groups. This time Bulla and Bakbini communities were the target. The 4 existing groups were impressive because their books indicated regular meetings and contributions. The average contribution so far is about GHC 392.00 for sanitation. The Total expected amount for share out is 672 for this group. It also means that Group members will take home GHC 24 each which is woefully inadequate for a toilet completion. Members were therefore made to appreciate and understand that individuals will have to consider alternative funding sources to enable them complete a toilet. Meanwhile, it was interesting to note that although groups are yet to share out, individuals are initiating steps to address sanitation issues in the community.

Beekeeping For Sustainable Livelihood (BSL).

The beekeeping for Sustainable Livelihoods (BSL) project is aimed at decreasing beneficiary communities’ vulnerability to the effects of climate. The consequences of Climate change is harsh on farmers as well as their engagement in livelihood activities such as charcoal production, carving, and hunting with its resultant tree cutting and bush burning. These have serious negative impacts on the environments and the climate in general.

The main goal of the project is to increase resilience to climate change in Nadowli Kaleo district through the management of water resources and diversification of livelihoods. The programme was formally launched on 19th July 2018 at Nadowli Kaleo District assembly. Five communities were selected for this project namely: Goli, Zukpiri, Jang, Nanvili and Takpo. Currently baseline data information is being administered to these communities to ascertain a clear understanding of the community as well as provide a profile of beneficiaries.
Voice from Beneficiary

Communities cannot achieve Open defecation free status without the commitment of the chiefs and opinion leaders. For communities to be open defecation free then it means the chief was instrumental to the program. Bosuoyire community is a clear example where the chief and the natural leaders committed entirely to the program. The chief had this to say:

“My Role was to ensure that every Household construct a toilet. I work closely with the Natural Leaders to ensure that the by-law in place is working. If Natural Leaders are supportive and hardworking, you can achieve results like we did. I must commend my people for the hard work”.

-Bosuoyire chief

“I never work alone all thanks to my natural leaders”