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My name is Beatriz Domingos. I am 53 years old and belong to the Mataba Farmers Club where I am president. We have been working with ADPP since 2015, and since the project arrived in this neighborhood it has been very successful in terms of agriculture. Many things that we did not know before, thanks to ADPP we now have knowledge or experience of, such as plant spacing or how to produce organic compost. We have also been visited by the project leader in our private fields. Since joining this club in Mataba I have gained many experiences, such as horticulture, which is something that I did not practice. I spent my time in the fields, and in the dry season I stayed at home. With the arrival of ADPP, in the dry weather I do not stay at home anymore. I have made vegetable gardens. In the old days I had to put the cassava in the water and dry them for making them ready for consumption and then to sell them in the markets. This was how I could meet the needs of my grandchildren who were in school.

But soon after starting to cultivate vegetable, it has been very easy. I no longer buy tomatoes, onions and other vegetables because I am producing them myself. I have also mobilized the others to do the same. Being the month of March, which is Women's Month, we women in our club are at the forefront, making things happen, everything that we have on our work plan! Besides, we are united in our work, and this union makes the problems or concerns of the village our responsibility. However, in all activities, we do not exclude the men.

My recommendation is that all families who received the mosquito nets and messages about malaria must ensure that they follow the instructions, inform their neighbors and use mosquito nets correctly to prevent mosquito bites.

