## **RADP-West winding up prematurely**

The 14<sup>th</sup> of June, 2016, DCA-VET was informed that the RADP-West project is prematurely closed with immediate effect. The USAID-funded project that is contracted to DCA-VET by Chemonics, is terminated 'for the convenience of the U.S. government'.

In its notice of termination, Chemonics expressed its appreciation of the services and technical input by DCA-VET. For DCA-VET, the closure came quite unexpected, as project implementation was proceeding as planned. Moreover, the results of this project, which started in March 2015, were promising.

DCA-VET is now engaged in the termination procedure to round off the project properly and settle the final payments. In addition, DCA-VET has been in contact with MAIL, donors, and other stakeholders seeking advice on how to source alternative funding for the continuation of the livestock component of the project.

The closure of the RADP-West project will not affect the other RADP projects that DCA-VET is implementing. So the USAID funding of the RADP-South and -North projects will continue, thus enabling DCA-VET to make a difference for the livestock farmers in those regions.