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CompuLynx Deploys Software Disburse Aid to Farmers in Locust Infested Areas

Nairobi, 24th August 2020. CompuLynx has concluded rolling out COMPAS eBeneficiary System, for ADRA Kenya, to disburse commodity aid to rural populations living in areas infested by locusts under ADRA Kenya’s social welfare programme dubbed Mwingi Tharaka Response and Recovery (MTLRR) project. The system will support ADRA Kenya’s transfer modalities for eVoucher commodity disbursement to the most affected households in a social net that is currently estimated to cover 500 households across Mwingi North Sub-county, Kitui County.

With this technology, humanitarian agencies including ADRA Kenya, will access affordable technology for aid disbursement in a secure and transparent manner avoiding fraudulent usage of benefits. Already, organizations such as World Food Programme (WFP), Kenya Red Cross, Thai Border Consortium and Governments Hunger Safety Net Programme have used the solution to provide more personalized and helpful assistance to beneficiaries in various interventions.

The multi- wallet System is cloud enabled and based on Web, Mobile and POS platforms, with enabled biometric technology that supports transfer modalities for cash transfers (cash or value vouchers) or commodity vouchers for multiple interventions such as School Feeding, Medical Equipment’s & Vaccines, Class Attendance, Social Protection / Safety Nets, Farmers Equipment, Pesticides and Seeds

“We are very excited with the strong customer interest we are experiencing for our beneficiary management solution,” commented Mr. Sailesh Savani, Founder CEO of CompuLynx. “In today’s digital first world, many Humanitarian Agencies are seeing the benefits of using automated solutions to identify beneficiaries, disburse and manage funds in a secured & efficient manner avoiding fraudulent usage, and the market is picking up speed. Donors and NGOs are also keen to implement this innovative technology for their Programmes to bring about accountability in the value chain, and we are proud to work with ADRA Kenya as our newest partner.”

“We are offering multiple solutions in a single card that will benefit the most affected households enrolled in the programme,” said CompuLynx’s Head of Products - Identity Management, Avijit Dasgupta. “With the cards, beneficiaries of the Locust Intervention Programme will be able to access their cash allocations as well as use the card to purchase goods and access services at select vendors.”

Speaking during the handover Ceremony at ADRA Kenya Offices in Lavington Nairobi, James Astleford, ADRA's Country Director noted the 6-months Programme aims to contribute safeguarding food security for the most vulnerable rural populations in Mwingi North. "This is a major project for us as we are using this system for the first time in disbursement of commodities to our beneficiaries. We are delighted to have found a partner in Kenya with expertise in aid disbursement technologies to make our process seamless, more efficient and to ensure that the right assistance goes to the rightful beneficiaries."

The registered beneficiaries will get a smart card, to access funds for multiple interventions issued through ADRA Kenya and identified agents across Mwingi Sub County. "We have vetted 5 agents to help us in reaching out to these beneficiaries through a monthly food ration for 6 months, livestock feed for the same period and one-off set of farm inputs such as seed and other inputs in a social net that covers 500 registered households," explains Mr Astleford.

"Both teams have worked very hard to make sure this becomes a model deployment of its kind in a record time of two weeks," notes Mr Sailesh. With this successful roll out of COMPAS eBeneficiary Management System, Compulynx now looks forward to working with new customers in the humanitarian space who will reap business benefits of accessing secure and affordable eDisbursement technology without investing in costly IT infrastructure by deploying COMPAS for their beneficiary identity and benefits management.

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About Compulynx

Compulynx Limited (www.compulynx.com) (CLL) is a systems integrator company providing software and hardware solutions for retail ERP and point of sale as well as biometrics and digital identity solutions. The company has a 25 years' track record of providing innovative solutions to over 400+ organizations worldwide and have also successfully rolled out projects with COMPASS for prestigious projects for UN | Government etc. for identity-based payments (aid) disbursement and its' utilization in 37+ countries.

About ADRA Kenya (Adventist Development and Relief Agency)

ADRA Kenya (www.adrakenya.org/) is part of the Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) global humanitarian network, operating in 126 countries. Each year, ADRA's global ministry touches the lives of more than 30 million people. Here in Kenya, ADRA has been working with communities for over 25 years, touching the lives of more than one million people. The agency's work is concentrated in two areas: community development and disaster relief.

This means ADRA Kenya works with communities through sustainable and long term projects, providing support and the hope of a future. When a disaster strikes, ADRA Kenya is also able to provide lifesaving relief through support from our partners and the ADRA network.

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