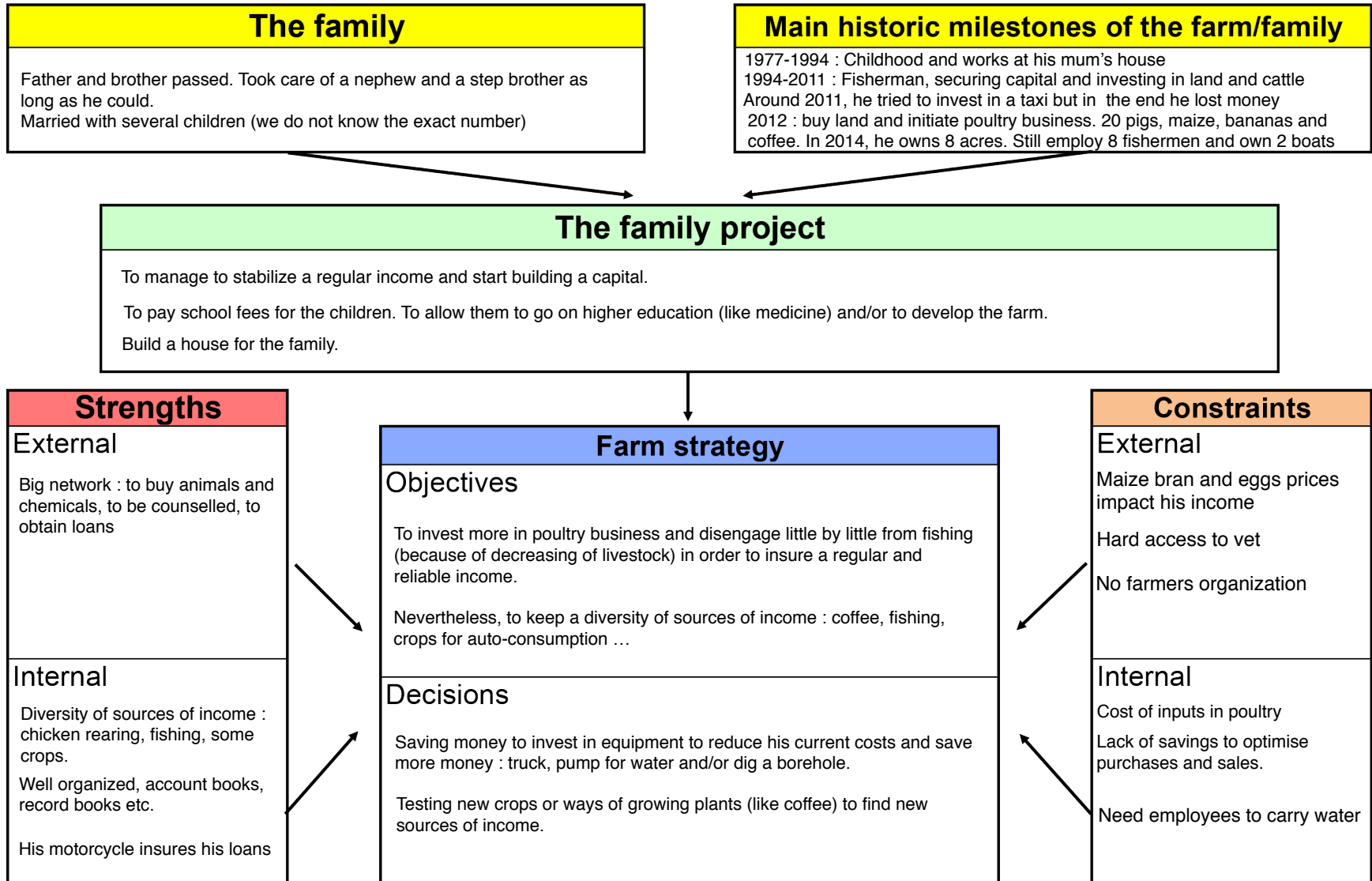


# Farming system model



## The family

Father and brother passed. Took care of a nephew and a step brother as long as he could.  
Married with several children (we do not know the exact number)

## Main historic milestones of the farm/family

1977-1994 : Childhood and works at his mum's house  
1994-2011 : Fisherman, securing capital and investing in land and cattle  
Around 2011, he tried to invest in a taxi but in the end he lost money  
2012 : buy land and initiate poultry business. 20 pigs, maize, bananas and coffee. In 2014, he owns 8 acres. Still employ 8 fishermen and own 2 boats

## The family project

To manage to stabilize a regular income and start building a capital.  
To pay school fees for the children. To allow them to go on higher education (like medicine) and/or to develop the farm.  
Build a house for the family.

## Strengths

### External

Big network : to buy animals and chemicals, to be counselled, to obtain loans

### Internal

Diversity of sources of income : chicken rearing, fishing, some crops.  
Well organized, account books, record books etc.  
His motorcycle insures his loans

## Farm strategy

### Objectives

To invest more in poultry business and disengage little by little from fishing (because of decreasing of livestock) in order to insure a regular and reliable income.  
Nevertheless, to keep a diversity of sources of income : coffee, fishing, crops for auto-consumption ...

### Decisions

Saving money to invest in equipment to reduce his current costs and save more money : truck, pump for water and/or dig a borehole.  
Testing new crops or ways of growing plants (like coffee) to find new sources of income.

## Constraints

### External

Maize bran and eggs prices impact his income  
Hard access to vet  
No farmers organization

### Internal

Cost of inputs in poultry  
Lack of savings to optimise purchases and sales.  
Need employees to carry water