

Extension Activities

of

Fruit & Vegetable development project Punjab

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ASLP- Citrus Project Phase-II

Fruit & Vegetable Development Project Punjab

Background

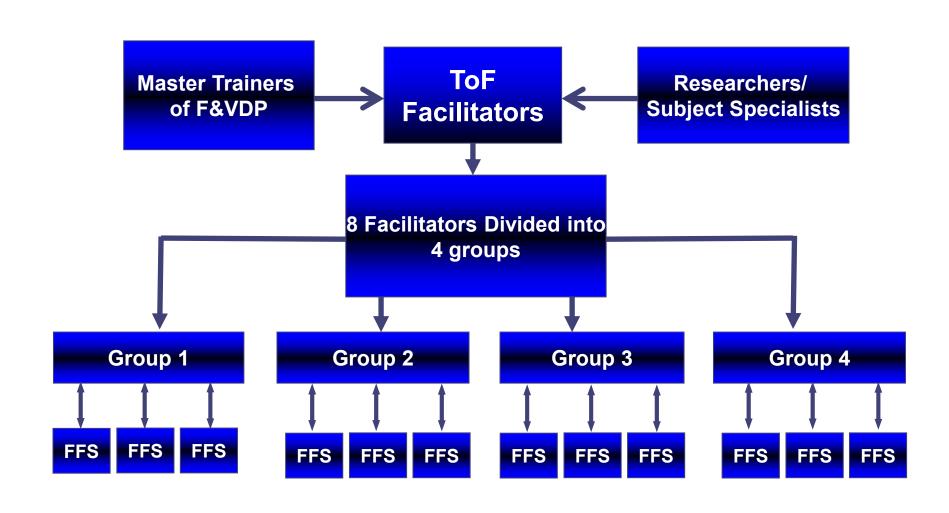
- 1. Local Govt. initiative
- 2. Training of growers for:
 - Quality production of fruits and vegetables
 - Increase the farmer's profitability
 - Alleviation of poverty

Method

 Facilitate and deliver on-farm and seminar training through Farmer Field Schools

Methodology

Weekly training program



Activities of FFS

- Agenda of the Day
- Review of Last Session
- Field Observation
- Agro Eco System Analysis (AESA)
- Chart Preparation
- Chart Presentation
- Group Discussion
- Decision Making

Chart preparation



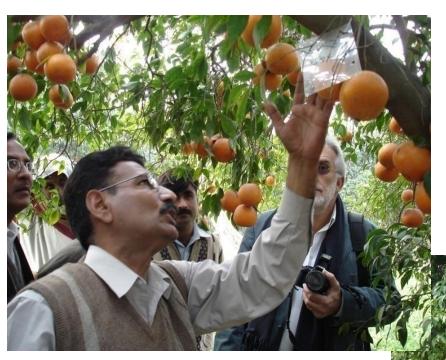


Chart presentation





Decision making





Collaboration with ASLP citrus project

Objective 3

To enhance the citrus crop management, research, extension and production capacity of Pakistan citrus institutes and industry

FVDP project activities

- Trainings & development of F&VDP Extension Staff.
- Capacity building of citrus growers through FFS
- Education of growers through demonstrations
 - Best management practices
 - Pruning, nutrition, irrigation, pest & disease
 - High Density Plantation
- Farmer field days
- Technical literature
- Bulk SMS production reminders
- Fortnightly E-newsletter
- Monthly recommendation F&VDP website and Face book page

Capacity building of growers

- 8 Farmer Field Schools have been established in ASLP citrus districts
- 5 acres good agricultural practices
- 1 acre high density plantation
- 1 acre canopy management
- 3 acre Quality payment / best practice management

Training of FVDP staff





Training by Australian Experts





Training of Extension Officer in Australia

Farmer Field Schools: 144









13 field days @ 110 to 227 farmers /day



Demonstration trials









Demonstration of canopy management





Demonstration of high density planting





Citrus Mega Fields (600 growers)









MONITORING OF PROJECT ACTIVITIES

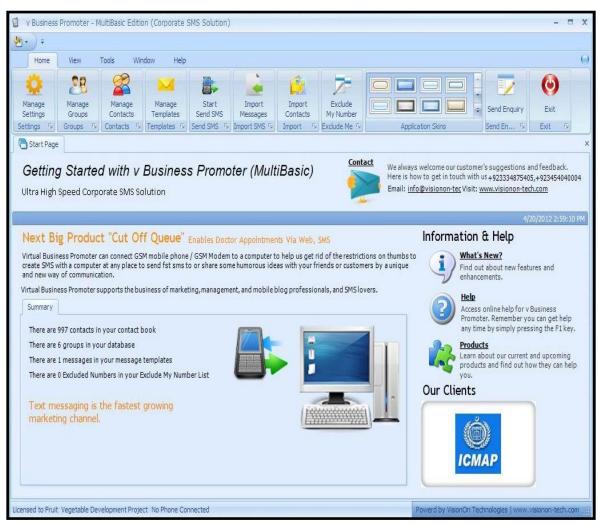






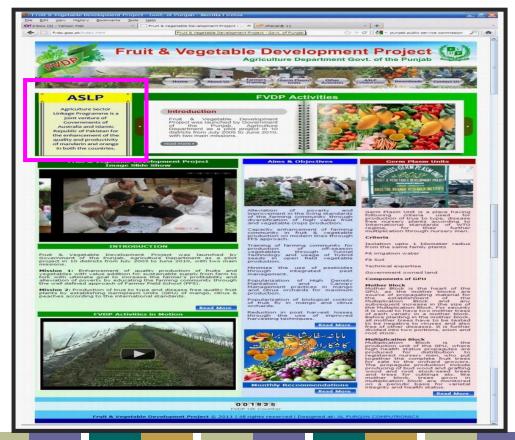


- SMS best practice citrus production messages
 - 117 messages : 1150 growers/per message



- Fortnightly E-newsletter
 - 74 E-newsletters sent to 399 growers
- Monthly advice through FVDP website www.fvdp.gop.pk
 - also regularly updated on Facebook & Twitter.





PROJECT WEBSITE

Of Inbox (2) - Yahoo! Mail

◆ ☐ fvdp.gop.pk/index.html

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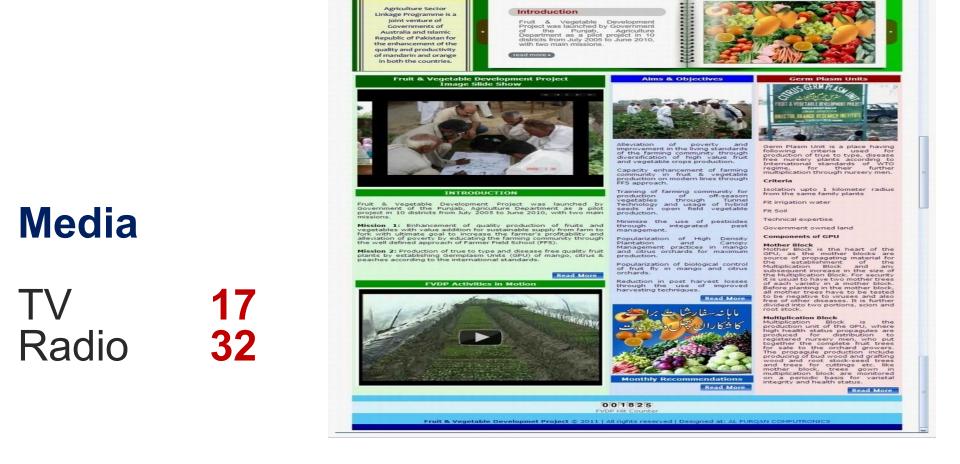
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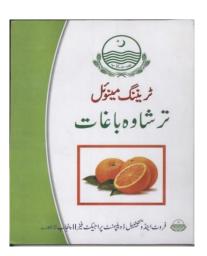


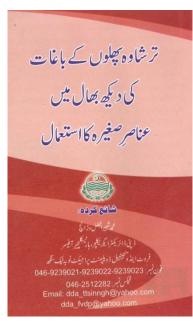
Production technology literature

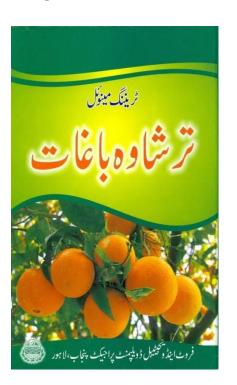
12 citrus training manuals were distributed

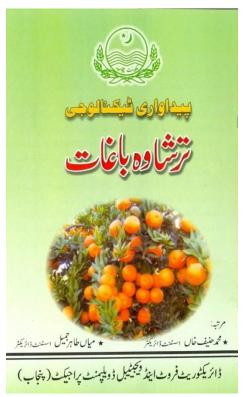
300 leaflets on BMP

5000 leaflets on fruit fly management









Growers Adoption

Adoption of best practices by FFS farmers

Citrus (%)

		Before	After FFS
•	Use of fertilizer	23	73
•	Proper irrigation	26	99
•	Cultural Practices	18	78
•	Plant protection measures	13	73

Increase in yield and income of FFS farmers

		Yield (T	Yield (T/acre)		Income (Rs/acre)	
		Before	After	Before	After	
•	Citrus	7.2T	8.32T	28,187	61,417	

Summary

Capacity building of citrus growers through FFS

- Total Farmers Field School = 144
- Growers trained in FFS = 3600
- Growers trained during field days = > 2100
- Total = 5700 (direct training)
- Secondary beneficiaries = 17,100

Future plan

- Continuation of best management practices training
 - Maintain Quality Payment initiative increase to 6 sites next season
 - Pruning workshops 3/year
 - Fertilizer workshops 3/year
 - Fungicide spray timing training 12/year
 - Furrow irrigation training 6/year
 - Farmer field days : general crop management 8/year

