

OFFICIAL FEEDBACK FORM

DIALOGUE DATE	Wednesday, 2 June 2021 13:30 GMT +05:00
DIALOGUE TITLE	The Role of Cooperatives and Farmer Organisations in Future Food Systems
CONVENED BY	Agribusiness Support Fund (ASF) Pakistan.
DIALOGUE EVENT PAGE	https://summitdialogues.org/dialogue/21790/
DIALOGUE TYPE	Independent
GEOGRAPHICAL FOCUS	Pakistan

The outcomes from a Food Systems Summit Dialogue will be of use in developing the pathway to sustainable food systems within the locality in which they take place. They will be a valuable contribution to the national pathways and also of interest to the different workstreams preparing for the Summit: the Action Tracks, Scientific Groups and Champions as well as for other Dialogues.

1. PARTICIPATION

TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

44

PARTICIPATION BY AGE RANGE

0-18

19-30

34 31-50

10 51-65

66-80

80+

PARTICIPATION BY GENDER

33 Male

10 Female

1 Prefer not to say or Other

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS IN EACH SECTOR

30 Agriculture/crops
Fish and aquaculture

2 Livestock
Agro-forestry
Environment and ecology
Trade and commerce

2 Education
Communication
Food processing
Food retail, markets
Food industry
Financial Services

Health care
Nutrition
10 National or local government
Utilities
Industrial
Other

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS FROM EACH STAKEHOLDER GROUP

Small/medium enterprise/artisan
Large national business
2 Multi-national corporation
18 Small-scale farmer
Medium-scale farmer
Large-scale farmer
4 Local Non-Governmental Organization
2 International Non-Governmental Organization
Indigenous People
2 Science and academia

Workers and trade union
Member of Parliament
Local authority
10 Government and national institution
Regional economic community
United Nations
International financial institution
Private Foundation / Partnership / Alliance
Consumer group
6 Other

2. PRINCIPLES OF ENGAGEMENT

HOW DID YOU ORGANIZE THE DIALOGUE SO THAT THE PRINCIPLES WERE INCORPORATED, REINFORCED AND ENHANCED?

The dialogue was organized with a multi-stakeholder inclusive approach. Active and committed community participants and representative of local and national bodies were invited. Participants who were fully vested in their communities development and welfare were carefully selected, so experiential learning could be transferred back to the local communities, as well as to the organizers completing the UNFSS feedback loop.

HOW DID YOUR DIALOGUE REFLECT SPECIFIC ASPECTS OF THE PRINCIPLES?

The dialogue was conducted in an open and respectful, as well as reflective environment, by enabling all the participants to interact with each other, as well as with the moderators and resource people. The Q&A sessions, as well as the FGD allowed for participants to freely express their input, ideas and feedback. Within the FGD section of the dialogue, the groups interacted well together and worked together to validate or express new ideas via a group presentation on the different Action Tracks.

DO YOU HAVE ADVICE FOR OTHER DIALOGUE CONVENORS ABOUT APPRECIATING THE PRINCIPLES OF ENGAGEMENT?

The Principles of Engagement provide an informative framework on how to conduct a multi-stakeholder dialog about the complex issues prevalent within a complex food system, while allowing for individual connections to be fostered. We observed that by allowing for Focus Group Discussions to be led by the individuals within the group, increased their interaction, while allowing for all participants to feel like they have contributed. Group presentations by a nominated presenter from within the groups allows them to see their valuable input shared in real time, as well as reflected in the discussions within the dialog. It is suggested to Dialogue Convenors to effectively utilize the FGD component by using the 'Breakout rooms' function within Zoom when conducting the dialogue virtually.

3. METHOD

The outcomes of a Dialogue are influenced by the method that is used.

DID YOU USE THE SAME METHOD AS RECOMMENDED BY THE CONVENORS REFERENCE MANUAL?

Yes

No

4. DIALOGUE FOCUS & OUTCOMES

MAJOR FOCUS

Breakout Group 1 explored the Action Tracks 3 and 5 for workable solutions and levers of change.

Main findings included:

Recommendation 1 (3.1)
Agro Forestry/Community Forestation
Subsidies for Marginalized Areas
Infrastructure Investment on Mountainous Areas.

Recommendation 2 (3.2)
Promotion of Indigenous Crops and Livestock
Promotion and Incentivize of Organic Production
Land Usage plan through community.

Recommendation 3 (3.3)
Continuous Research and Alternate Income for the pastureland community.
Longitudinal study of pastoral areas.

Recommendation 1 (5.1)
Promotion of Food Banking on community level.

Recommendation 2 (5.2)
Support to the upstream community.

ACTION TRACKS

<input type="checkbox"/>	Action Track 1: Ensure access to safe and nutritious food for all
<input type="checkbox"/>	Action Track 2: Shift to sustainable consumption patterns
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Action Track 3: Boost nature-positive production
<input type="checkbox"/>	Action Track 4: Advance equitable livelihoods
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Action Track 5: Build resilience to vulnerabilities, shocks and stress

KEYWORDS

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MAIN FINDINGS

Breakout Group 2 explored the Action Tracks 1 and 2 for workable solutions and levers of change.

Main findings included:

Food availability, most important is where the food is produced. Farmers should be organized and equipped with innovative techniques./There should be information on market access – good prices and where can they sell/ Farmers' capacity building/ Resources of the farmers _MFIs, govt investments/Food safety – cold chain, packaging based on the needs ,of the consumers

Food security/sovereignty – farmers are the most vulnerable, Farmers are going to the cities/ other people should be considered –

policy level approach- there should institutions to provide technical input/ seeds are provided at high prices and you cannot use the harvested seed to plant/Farmers should have control over their supply of seeds, water and other inputs

Technology dissemination is very important – governments should also be responsible.
Promotion of private investment

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OUTCOMES FOR EACH DISCUSSION TOPIC

Breakout Group 3 explored the Action Track 4 for workable solutions and levers of change.

Recommendations included:

1. Reducing the power unbalancing through affordable financing be available across the board for small farmers to be more independent in terms of purchasing of the inputs, negotiating for selling the crops etc.
State bank should create low cost refinancing for small farmers
Pakistan Credit Guarantee Company should incentivize such schemes for the commercial banks
2. Contract farming need to be introduced especially in newly merged districts of KP and Baluchistan that will lead to following 3 areas
Access to market
Access to affordable finance
Access to advisory services
Further we need to draft and regulate the legal framework for newly merged districts of KP and Baluchistan
3. Inclusive approach for organizing the local institutions (farmer groups, cooperatives etc.) at grass roots level and campaigning must be initiated for increasing the level of awareness and sensitization of those institutions especially using digitization for accessing the all services across the board by ensuring "Leave No One Behind"
Digitization of the local institutions and utilization of the digital tools for increasing the awareness and access to the services

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AREAS OF DIVERGENCE

ACTION TRACKS

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ATTACHMENTS AND RELEVANT LINKS

ATTACHMENTS

- **Group 2: Action Track 1 and 2**
<https://summitdialogues.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/Slide1.jpg>
- **Group 3: Action Track 4**
<https://summitdialogues.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/Slide2.jpg>
- **Kashtkar Farmers Cooperative**
<https://summitdialogues.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/kashtkarr-zoom-meeting-presentation.pdf>