Role of PMAMP in Agricultural Mechanization in Nepal

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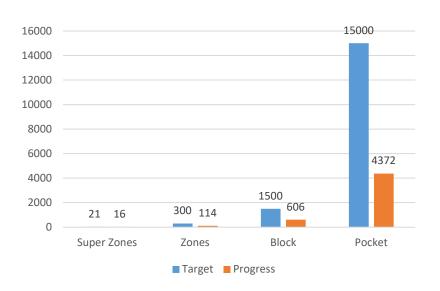
Introduction

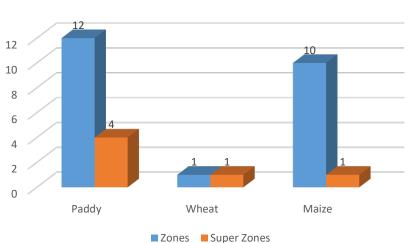
- Approval of Project by Cabinet in 10 Jan 2017 (2073/09/26)
- Duration: December, 2016 to July, 2026 (10 Years)
- Vision: Development of sustainable and self-reliant agricultural sector through transformation of subsistence agriculture to modernized and commercial one.
- Total Allocated Budget: US\$ 1.12 billion (NPR 130.742 billion)
- Allocated Budget for Agri. Mech.: US\$ 0.09 billion (NPR 10.20 billion)
- In line with agriculture development concept of 14th periodic plan (2017 to 2019) and Agricultural Development Strategy (2015-2035)
- Implemented in 77 districts of Nepal
- Project Management Unit in Centre and 58 Project Implementation Units at the field level
- 15 Prioritized Major Crops: Paddy, Wheat, Maize, Vegetables, Potato, Citrus Fruits, Apple, Mango, Banana, Milk, Fish, Meat, Export Potential Commodities (Cardamom, Coffee, Ginger, Turmeric), Oilseeds and Honey

Project Implementation Approach

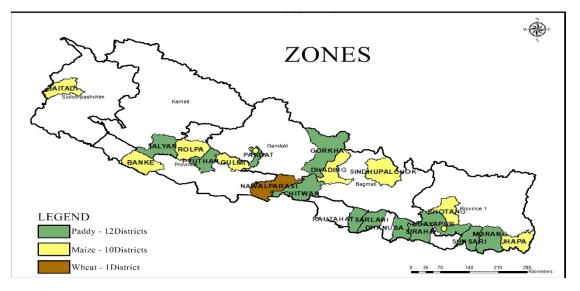
Project is implemented through consolidated farming approach forming components (Super Zones, Zones, Block

and Pocket.)









Criteria for Formation of Components

Super Zone

Crops/Livesto ck	Unit	Criteri a	Remarks
Crops	Hectares	1000	
Fish (Reservoir Area)	Hectares	1000	

Zone

Crops/Livesto ck	Unit	Criteri a	Remarks
Crops Bee	Hectare Beehive	500 5000	
Fish (reservoir	Number Hectare	500	
area) Cow	Number of Improved	2000	5000 I/day milk production by
Buffalo	Breed Number of Improved	1000	beneficiaries.
Goat	Breed Number of Improved Breed	15000	
Pig	Number of Improved Breed	1000	

Block

Crops/Livestock	Unit	Geographical area			Remarks
		Terai	Hill	Mountain	
Crops	Hectare	100	70	50	
Bee	Beehive Number	1000	1000	800	
Oyester or Button	K.G.	10000	10000	10000	Mushroom seeds
Mushrooms					
Sitake Mushroom	Log Numbers	25000	25000	25000	
Plastic House	Hectare	10	10	6	
Farming					
Fish (reservoir area)	Hectare	60	40		
Trout fish (raceway)	Square Meter	3000	3000	2000	
Cow	Number of	200	200	150	2000 I/day milk
	Improved Breed				production by
	Local / hybrid	600	600	300	beneficiaries
	number				
Buffalo	Number of	200	150	120	
	Improved Breed				
	Local / hybrid	400	300	250	
	number				
Goat	Numbers	5000	5000	3000	Doe
Pig	Numbers	500	500	300	Sow

Basis for Formation of Clusters

Pocket

Crops/Livestock	Unit	Geographical area			Remarks
		Terai	Hill	Mountain	
Crops	Hectare	10	7	5	
Bee	Beehive Numbers	300	300	200	
Oyester or Button Mushrooms	K.G.	1000	1000	1000	Mushroom seeds
Shiitake Mushroom	Log Numbers	5000	5000	5000	
Plastic House Farming	Hectare	10000	10000	6000	
Fish (reservoir area)	Hectare	6	4	-	
Trout fish (raceway)	Square Meter	1500	1500	1000	
Cow	Number of Improved Breed	100	100	60	1000 I/day milk production by beneficiaries
	Local / hybrid number	300	300	200	
Buffalo	Number of Improved Breed	100	80	60	
	Local / hybrid number	200	150	100	
Goat	Numbers	1000	1000	600	Doe
Pig	Numbers	100	80	60	Sow

Modernization/Commercialization Strategies

Consolidated farming

Application of modern agricultural technology

Establishment of agricultural processing and marketing infrastructure

Agricultural mechanization

Effective coordination among research, education and extension

Smart output based facilitation

Quality control and value addition of agricultural commodity

Adoption of appropriate agricultural System to address climate change

Progress Status (2019/2020)

S.N.	Program	Units	Quantity
1	Small Irrigation Infrastructure	Nos	3311
2	Solar Irrigation Scheme	Nos	62
3	Rainbow Traout Raceway	Nos	68
4	Fish Hatcheries	Nos	8
5	Screen Houses	Nos	105
6	Tissue Culture Labs	Nos	2
7	Bio-Pesticide Industry	NOs	8
8	Organic Fertilizer Industry	Nos	8
9	Custom Hiring Center	Nos	569
10	Small Farm Machineries	Nos	1255
11	Post Harvest Centers	Nos	366
12	TMR Industry	Nos	2
13	Potota Chips Industry	Nos	4
14	Rustic Stores	Nos	6
15	Soil and Plant Protection Mini Lab	Nos	6

Crops	Productivity (T/ha)			
Сторз	Baseline	2019/2020		
Paddy	4.26	4.89		
Maize	3.53	3.98		
Wheat	2.93	3.1		
Vegetables	19.16	19.49		
Potato	23.27	22.07		
Fish	5.43	6.55		
Citrous Fruits	12.1	11.55		
Apple	6.9	11.3		
Banana		24		
Cardamom	0.56	0.36		
Ginger/Turmeric	9.87	12.18		
Honey (T/hive)		0.02		

Issues and Challenges in Mechanization

- Lack of testing, quality control and demonstration facilities of imported equipment possibilities of failure technology import
- Insufficient availability of spare parts in stock due to weak financial status of dealers and traders
- High import tax @15% and 13% VAT on spare parts & attachments, whereas 1% import tax and free VAT in Tractors and power tillers
- Limited access to repair and maintenance service centers of agricultural machineries due to lack of adequate trained human resources
- Poor functioning of CHC due to lack of regulation/guidelines
- Inefficient use of machineries due to lack of training and wrong selection of machineries

Way Forward

- 1. Preparation of operational guidelines for CHC
- 2. Bringing Agricultural Mechanization Policy, 2071 in action Research and extension of scale appropriate machineries, subsidy in agricultural machineries, training and demonstration of machineries, tax exemption in spare parts and raw materials, rental fixation of CHC, Organization management and human resource development
- 3. Establishment of Training and Testing Institute for quality control, training and registration of machineries

Institute for Training & Testing of Agricultural Machineries in 7 Provinces

- Training on Repair and Maintenance
- Training on Selection and Operation

Testing of Agricultural
 Machineries in terms of
 Quality, Capacity,
 Specification and Adoptability

 Registration of Agricultural Machineries prior to Import