



Hybrid DREAM Event

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Farming Systems for the Dry Valley Rehabilitation and Productive Use systems

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Group Discussion

- What potential crops are seen for flood based systems/ DVRPU, based on the examples from other countries.
- What are bottlenecks to achieve the potential?
- What is already on the ground and can support?



Group Discussion 1

What potential crops are seen for flood based systems/ DVRPU, based on the examples from other countries?

- Sorghum/ millets
- Maize
- Groundnut
- Sesame
- Chickpea
- Fodders such as lucerne , elephant grass
- Pigeon pea
- White/ red onion (pest management is headache)
- Wheat
- Maize
- Teff
- Rice (irrigated)



Group Discussion 2

What are bottlenecks to achieve the potential?

- Market – remoteness, price unattractive in main markets , example millet for highlands
- Importance community preference – maize or sorghum (food habits)
- Community readiness
- Post harvest management:
 - Lack of machinery to shell it ..
 - Storage
- Need proper planning rather than big campaign
- Seed supply and access, lack of access to agricultural inputs and extension services
- Inadequate coordination
- Lack of access to financial institutions



Group Discussion 3

What is already on the ground and can support?

- Availability of land – 1000 dry valleys
- Customary institutions (can engage them)
- Policy that is promoting lowland development
- Technology is there (WSWs)
- Producing affordable livestock quality feed
- Interest of private sector (industrial parks)
- Available research

