





ITPP Goal

Improving agricultural production, food security and human health in poor, rural regions while reducing the environmental risks posed by and encountered in farming.



Successful Interventions

- Adoption of better land management and soil conservation methods.
- Introduction of new crops.
- Integration of crop and livestock production.
- Engagement in education and extension.



Results

Farming moved from subsistence to a source of income.

Mutual trust between farmers and project workers increased BMP adoption rates.

Enhanced collaboration between researchers, Ministries, traditional leaders, organizations and agencies increased the efficiency, effectiveness and sustainability of results.

Networks to support project delivery and extend knowledge were strengthened.



Results

Advanced outreach included more women farmers and producers.

Organizational assessments identified recommendations to build organizational sustainability.

Understanding of climate change and appropriate and sustainable responses was improved.





Projects

- Ethiopia – Land Management (ESSS – CSSS)
- Ghana – Livestock (GSAP- CSAS)
- Ghana – Horticulture (GhIH – CSHS)
- Nepal – Organic Farming (SADP – CSA)
- Sri Lanka – Land Management (SSSSL – CSSS)
- Vietnam – Land Management (VSSS – CSSS)
- Tanzania – Extension (TSAEE – CARES)



ESSS - CSSS

Strengthened communication with regional nodes and supported outreach programs.
 Held a national, extension focused workshop to present information on extension activities and identify priority research areas to meet local needs of farming and rural communities.



Ghana

Ghana Institute for Horticulturists (GhIH) and Ghana Society of Animal Production (GSAP) taking lead roles in establishing the Agricultural Institute of Ghana



GSAP-CSAS

98.2% of project beneficiaries received loans for agricultural activities.
 86% of project beneficiaries increased income.
 60% of project communities experienced reduction in incidence of bush fire.
 Seven GSAP members (including two women) headed government institutions, five others served on National Development Boards and GSAP committees.
 Position papers on beef and dairy production and feedlot systems were presented to government.





GhIH- CSHS

GhIH-CSHS Radio Programming Poster won third place for outstanding Poster Presentation at the International Association for Agricultural Extension and Education, May 2010

GhIH secured a contract from the World Vegetable Centre to undertake feasibility studies for small scale irrigation projects in Ghana, Burkina Faso, Mali and Niger



SADP – CSA and CSHS

New partnership project with the Canadian Society of Agronomy, the Canadian Society for Horticultural Science and the Sustainable Agriculture Development Project in Nepal initiated in 2009.

Conducted a needs survey of 181 households in the Tanahun Valley.

Established a demonstration site and resource centre.

Supported variety selection and organic research on soil fertility and pest management.



SSSSL-CSSS

Composting agricultural, farmyard and household wastes successfully adopted by 80% of beneficiaries.

Improvement of crop yield without increasing input cost gave farmers more profit and improved their living standard.

Policy makers support continued promotion of BMPs in ministry programmes in project sites and other areas.



TSAAE -CARES

Increased branch groups to 10 of the 29 districts in the Lake Zone plus branches in the Central and Western Zones.

Muwaviwa Women's Network, which includes 18 graduated groups, has a constitution, goals, elected leaders and formal connections with other NGOs.





VSSS – CSSS

Farmer Participatory Research approach promoted new technology and increased income by 12-25%.

Project activities reduced the number of poor households in the 3 core villages by 20-25%.



AIC Climate Change Task Team (ACT 2)

Draws on the broad and deep range of expertise of project participants from all countries to integrate effective program responses to climate change.

Seeks indigenous knowledge of rural beneficiaries when developing responses.



Brainstormed on what ACT2 can do to support projects.

Gave guidance to the development of fact kits on Climate Change and Sustainable Agriculture for each project country.



Gender Equality

All Southern Partner Organizations (SPOs) have:
Collected Gender Disaggregated Data (GDD) on their members.

Collected GDD on rural beneficiaries in baseline reports and in end of project reporting for 2006-2011.

Established gender equality committees or appointed advisors to SPO societies.

Increased women's participation in leadership of SPO societies.





Gender Equality

Half of the GEM working group is comprised of international members.

Read more information on AIC and gender equality in the annual report.



2011 – 2016 Proposal

New CIDA on line, competitive application

- A longer process with more opportunity to increase programming.
- AIC proposal is based on successes to date, lessons learned and an impressive, professional data collection and analysis.
- Inclusive, peer reviewed process ensured high quality plans addressing common needs.
- Requested \$3.9 M over five years.
- Included all current project partners.



Our Strength

2000 Evaluation

“one strength of AIC is that it makes each dollar go a long way. AIC is cost effective...AICs funds also prove to have significant leverage effects abroad.”

2005 Evaluation

“...the Program has achieved meaningful results in all areas ... several enabling factors account for these positive results in particular, competent and diligent management at the project and program level, responsive approaches and participatory methodologies...”



THANK YOU

AIC Members and Partners

The driving force of the ITPP is volunteerism from scientific society members in Canada and overseas as project coordinators, project committee members, task team members and project workers.

From 2006 to 2011 Canadian partners donated \$1.4M of In Kind contributions and overseas (Southern) partners donated \$3.5M of In Kind contributions.





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