

IDSS and Commercial Vegetable Home Gardens

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- 1. Progress
 - a. IDSS
 - b. Commercial Vegetable Home Gardens
- 2. Future Actions
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IDSS

 Recruited and Ethiopian, Ph.D. student, faculty of Bahir Dar University

Tewodros Assefa

- Started at N.C. A&T, January 2015
- Will finish course work by May 2016
- Very knowledgeable of SWAT
- Completed a paper that was submitted for publication
- Sent to Texas A&M to have an individualized APEX training. APEX is a component of the IDSS.
- Prepared a table of parameters needed for APEX modeling of commercial vegetable home gardens







COMMERCIAL VEGETABLE HOME GARDENS

Identified and implemented CVHG in three countries. Criteria used for identifying CVHG:

- Feed the Future site in the country
- Site identified by IWMI
- Defined as no more than 200 m²
- Near a house
- With a water source
- Female home gardener





Ethiopia





ETHIOPIA SITES







COMMERCIAL VEGETABLE HOME GARDENS

Ethiopia (Amhara Region):

- Six female home gardeners Robit Bata
- Seven female home gardeners Dangisha

Treatments:

- Drip irrigation with conservation agriculture
- Drip irrigation with no conservation agriculture





RESULTS With and without Conservation Agriculture

• First Season: Onions, Dangila

User name	Mulched production (kg)	Bare production (kg)
Woynitu Getie	19	9
Yenienesh Ewunetu	15	4
Azeneg Mengistie	9	7





RESULTS With and without Conservation Agriculture

- First Season: Tomatoes (Robit Bata, only one farmer, no seedlings)
 - CA tomatoes died and conventional systems yielded 70 kg.





RESULTS

With and without Conservation Agriculture

• Second Season: Garlic, Dangila (paired t** @ alpha = 0.01)

	Plant height (cm)	
Name of participants	CA	NCA
1. Menigistie Malede	74.6	68.6
2. Woynitu Gitie	74.8	66.4
3. <u>Tilaye Addisu</u>	75.6	66.8
4. Siraye Takele	74.6	62.4
5. Azeneg Menigistie	72.8	58.6
6. MenigistiaLake	75.6	64.5
7. Yenenesh Ewinetu	76.8	58.8

Average Plant Height (cm) at 3rd month

NB: Samples were taken from 5 randomly selected plants in each plot





• Traditional System

GARLIC

Conservation
 Agriculture









RESULTS

With and without Conservation Agriculture

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Irrigation Water use (three months data)
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	First Round		
	Total amount of water Irrigated in liter		
Name of participants	CA	NCA	
	14800	16650	
1. <u>Menigistie Malede</u>			
	14800	18500	
2. <u>Woynitu Gitie</u>			
	12950	15263	
3. <u>Tilave Addisu</u>			
	13875	16188	
4. <u>Siraye Takele</u>			
	13875	17113	
5. Azeneg Menigistie			
	13875	16188	
6. <u>MenigistiaLake</u>			





NOTE LESS WATER TO LIFT







RESULTS With and without Conservation Agriculture

Second Season: Tomato plant height (cm), Robit (paired t^{ns} @ alpha = 0.05)

Name of participants	СА	NCA
Achash Alamir	62.4	60.6
<u>Mitin</u> Tefera	83.3	74.8
Wibagegn Kibiret	68.6	66.8
Emebet Terefe	72.2	74.3
Chekilete Getinet	76.4	77.6
Amelimal Geremew	82.8	83.4

NB: Samples were taken from 5 randomly selected plants in each plot





TOMATO ROBBIT

Note Difference (farmers in Robit less committed)







RESULTS

With and without Conservation Agriculture

Second Season: Tomato water use at Robit

Irrigation Water use for Tomato Total (Liter)

	First Round Total amount of water used /Irrigated/ (in litter)	
Name of participants	CA	NCA
<u>Achash Alamir</u>	8000	9000
<u>Mitin</u> Tefera	8000	10000
<u>Wibagegn Kibiret</u>	7000	8250
Emebet Terefe	7500	8750
Chekilete Getinet	7500	9250
Amelimal Geremew	7500	9000





WATER LIFT (11)

Robit Bata

- Initial results home gardeners like the lift
- It will save labor
- It will minimize drudgery
- We will compare old way and new way
- Time and interview the women







ELEVEN PAIL LIFTERS HAVE BEEN INSTALLED NEED TWO MORE

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Treatments:

- With water pail lifter
- Without water pail lifter





Tanzania (just started)





TANZANIA Nine women of Mvomerro, Morogorro

- Will add six more women
- Identifying vegetables/crops that will grow during wet season
- Getting ready for dry season 2016







TANZANIA Nine women of Mvomerro

- Rainy season
- Flooding
- No beds







TANZANIA Nine women of Mvomerro

- Reset
- Identified

 wet season
 vegetables
 Pumpkin
 Sweet potato
 Grown for
 leaves







Ghana (just started)





GHANA Five women in Nyangua

- Rope and pulley system
- Same treatment CA and non-CA







GHANA Five women in Nyangua

 Installed drip and tank system

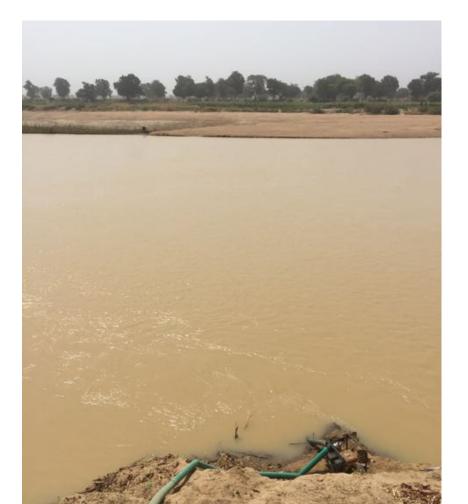






GHANA Nine women getting water from White Volta

• Pump in White Volta







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FUTURE ACTIONS

Commercial Vegetable Home Gardens, APEX, SWAT and IDSS

- Continue to collect data in three countries
- Water use
- Yield
- Residue quantity
- Plant height
- Other parameters needed in APEX





FUTURE ACTIONS

Commercial Vegetable Home Gardens, APEX, SWAT, and IDSS

- Tedy Aseffa will visit three countries
- He will do the APEX modeling in three countries
- APEX will be linked in SWAT by Texas A&M team
- Scenario analysis will be done by TAMU team and NCA&T team (Tedy, Ph.D. Dissertation)





Questions and Discussion

