

Farmers' Field Days in Bamyan and Badakhshan

Organizing Farmers' Field Days is a powerful tool to reach the local farmers with important extension messages. During those Field Days, farmers can exchange their experiences in an informal atmosphere. Progressive farmers are invited to share their ideas in a farmer-to-farmer approach and create more awareness about best practices among their community. Last autumn, DCA organized two Farmers' Field Days: one in Bamyan Province, and one in Badakhshan Province.



In Bamyan, 130 people – farmers, members of extension groups and cooperatives, and other stakeholders – celebrated the Farmers' Field Day. Twelve progressive farmers explained extension posters on topics like livestock feeding, stable management, urea treatment of straw, and the Farmer Field School model.

In Badakhshan, 110 participants joined the Farmers' Field Day, among whom were farmers from the vicinity as well as from remote villages, but also the Badakhshan DAAL (Department of Agriculture, Irrigation and Livestock) Director, and even the Kabul MAIL (Ministry of AIL) Director. Farmers exhibited livestock and agriculture products, extension posters and other extension materials. Moreover, they briefly discussed livestock health, hygienic stables, best practices for pasture management, and other topics.



Both Farmers' Field Days were released by the local TV to reach much more farmers with the extension messages presented.

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