



GEODATA BASED INFORMATION SERVICES FOR SMALL FARMERS IN BANGLADESH (GEOBIS)

G4AWEEK

Geo-Data for Agriculture and Water – G4AW

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Project Objective

- To develop and implement a sustainable model where spatial and geodata will be used to provide small holder farmers with forecast information and farming advice.
- To improve agricultural productivity, increase farmers' income, forewarn farmers and prepare them from adverse weather conditions and positively influence cropping patterns.



Target 600,000 smallholder farmers.

Project partners: Lead Partner LAL TEER

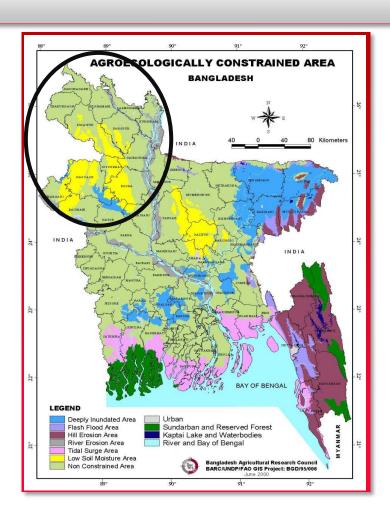


- Lal Teer Seed Ltd. is the pioneer vegetable seed research company in Bangladesh.
- It is a subsidiary company of Multimode Group and a privately held company with over 2000 directly employees.
- LTS was founded in 1998 and since then have played a revolutionary role of producing vegetables year round in Bangladesh and not just during the winter season.
- Inclusive business model with 12,000 contract farmers who engage over 200,000 farm workers.
- Role in the project: Designed the project concept, management of all partners, create the advisory services and implement all extension services.

Project partners

- mPower; software, programming, IT solutions, farmer content
- Multisourcing Ltd.: mobile communication
- Alterra: data acquisition and agricultural growth models; agricultural zoning
- NEO: acquisition and processing of satellite data
- ICF: public partner
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G4AW Project The Project Area



Farmers' Proposition

- 600,000 farmers to increase their income by producing more or reducing losses.
 - 15% increase in selling prices
 - 20% increase in yield
 - 10% reduction in direct input costs



Information need and services to be provided

- Use forecast data to provide better farm management services;
- Use forecasted data to advise preventive and protective farming solutions;
- Monitor crop patterns and soil conditions
- Provide true market information for the rural farmers



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Together with our consortium partners from the Netherlands and Bangladesh we are keen to implement this project and introduce innovative satellite based technology in agricultural farming for the benefit of farmers, their communities, the agricultural sector, the environment and the economy.

THANK YOU!