

Photo report on Africa RISING R4D and Scaling initiatives field visit in SNNPR, Ethiopia, 30-31 October 2017







Introduction

Africa RISING in the Ethiopian highlands has started implementing the second phase since October 2017. During the first year, the project managed to conduct action research through Research for Development (R4D) approach and scaling activities with strong development partnership. The R4D activities are mainly on livestock feed resources, improved crop varieties, watershed management and fertilizer studies. The scaling work focused mainly on demonstration of crop, livestock and Natural resources Management (NRM) validated innovations/technologies, seed multiplication and facilitating dissemination to reach more areas and farmers.



Young married and educated farmers managing fodder beet and sweet lupin in Hysie (new Africa RISING kebele) in Lemo Woreda, SNNPR in 2017 cropping season. The young farmers are eager to engage in different Africa RISING R4D and scaling initiatives.



Sweet lupine as part of Africa RISING feed and forage R4D intervention in Upper Gana Kebele, SNNPR in 2017 main cropping season.



Alfalfa as part of Africa RISING feed and forage R4D intervention in Upper Gana Kebele, Lemo woreda, SNNPR in 2017 main cropping season.



Oat-Vetch mixture is expanding in Banbu kebele, Soro Woreda (new Africa **RISING** scaling Kebele and Woreda) in 2017 cropping season. Farmers, extension workers and other local partners have visited the performance of the technology during the recent field day event and developed interest to take it to more areas and farmers.



Faba bean/ forage intercropping stepwise study (at the back of the wheat field) in Jawe Africa RISING kebele in 2017 cropping season.



Proper use of land to produce more green cultivated forage in InterAide(Africa RISING development partner) project site in Doyo Gena woreda, SNNPR..



Farmers in Africa RISING sites are attracted by the feed trough technology and adopting it more quickly to avoid wastage of feed resources..



A farmer in Upper Gana Africa RISING research kebele struggling to facilitate cattle mating for maximum reproductive efficiency. It will be good to support farmers access different reproduction options that do not risk farmers lives and demand less labour force.



six Chick pea varieties as part of Africa RISING improved crop varieties R4D intervention in Upper Gana Kebele, Lemo woreda, SNNPR in 2017 main cropping season.



Scaling of Bread wheat Hidassie variety validated by Africa RISING phase 1 in Lemo site. Engaged, Empowered, Educated Ethiopian Youth (E4Y) project of World Vision bought 8 t of improved wheat seed and distributed to 300 farmers in 2017 main cropping season.



Farmers groups continued potato production in Lemo in 2017 main cropping season. The farmer groups are producing seed and selling to more farmers



Very attractive potato fields in Doyo Gena woreda, SNNPR in 2017 main cropping season. A site where Africa RISING is working with InterAide to scale Africa RISING validated crop, livestock and NRM innovations/technologies.



Fertilizer validation on 24 farmers fields in Lemo, Africa RISING site. Wheat crop performance in 2017 main cropping season.



A young boy is providing herbicide spraying services for farmers in Doyo Gena woreda, SNNPR. Empowering this type of service providers with safety measures would be an important step to save the next generation.



Seeing is believing. Workneh Dubale, Africa RISING site coordinator in Lemo, SNNPR is amazed with the productivity of Africa RISING introduced early maturing and dwarf avocado varieties.



Bacterial wilt resistant Enset clones multiplied by a farmer for the next production stage. A total of 24 farmers in Lemo, SNNPR are engaged in this activity as part of Africa RISING scaling initiative in 2017 main cropping season.



Tree lucern with desho grass stabilizing soil bunds and improving the ecosystem at Africa RISING Jawe Gombora model watershed in Lemo, SNNPR in 2017 main cropping season.



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