PAKISTAN AGRICULTURAL TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER ACTIVITY (PATTA)

The Pakistan Agricultural Technology Transfer Activity (PATTA) is a United States Agency for International Development (USAID) funded four-year project (2017-2021). The project seeks to improve agricultural productivity in Pakistan by scaling private sector solutions that would result in increased incomes and employment. PATTA is partnering with agricultural technology companies to commercialize products and services that can increase the productivity and competitiveness of the companies as well as small farmers. It also aims to mobilize additional private sector investment in agricultural technology.

Since its inception, USAID PATTA is increasing small farmers' access to markets and their overall development impact. Agricultural technologies are affordable, impactful and safe, however, the vast majority of small farmers in Pakistan do not have easy access to them. PATTA will capacitate dealer networks and other demand-side partners through technical assistance to improve their marketing and management practices. This will strengthen linkages with small farmers to address their unique needs.

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ENHANCING AGRICULTURE THROUGH TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER IN PAKISTAN



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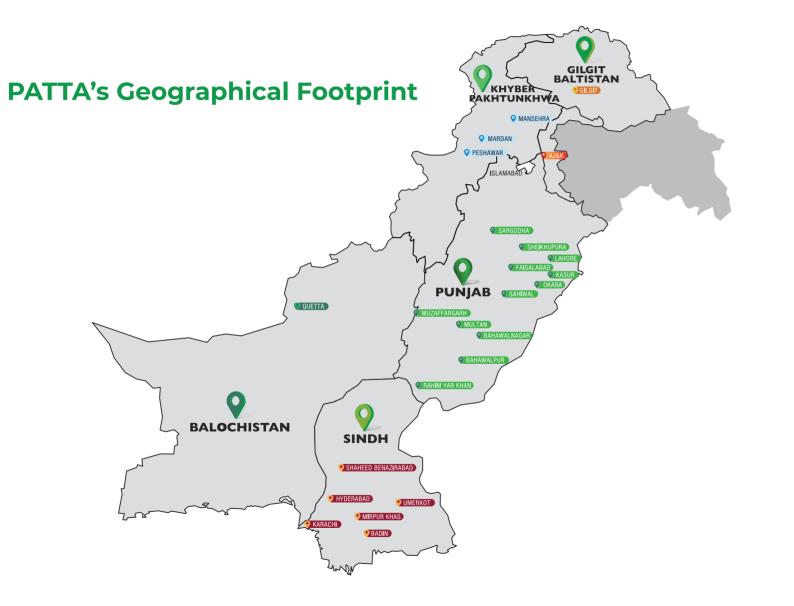
The four-year USAID-funded Pakistan Agricultural Technology Transfer Activity (PATTA) aims to identify, support and bring to scale private-sector solutions to improve agricultural productivity in Pakistan by providing broader access to affordable, appropriate, and effective agricultural technologies for farmers.

USAID PATTA is succeeding in this mission through a market-driven facilitation approach, where its 37 Supply-Side Partners (SSPs) and approximately 500 Demand-Side Partners (DSPs) work together to commercialize agricultural products and services. The project has brought to scale innovative inputs and equipment to new markets in Gilgit Baltistan, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Balochistan including underserved markets in Punjab and Sindh. The on-site agricultural technology demonstrations in rural communities are creating awareness and technology adoption by farmers. Often, these demonstrations are farmers' first introduction to improved seeds, micro-nutrients, integrated pest management techniques, small tractors, and one-unit milking machines.

As such, it is a privilege to be Chief of Party of such a new and innovative project in Pakistan. The project is leveraging private sector investment to promote the best agricultural management techniques, products and tools. PATTA is paving the way for the future: more products, more adaptation, more rural expansion.

Enjoy the photo journal, a pictorial collection of PATTA's initiatives in agricultural technology transfer across Pakistan!

Jean Francois Guay
Chief of Party
USAID PATTA



KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA

Private Sector Investment Leveraged through USG Support

Farmers Sensitized on Agricultural Technology Adoption

Farmers Applied
New Technologies

Full Time Equivalent Jobs Created \$29,022

58,206

3,530

75

BALOCHISTAN

Private Sector Investment Leveraged through USG Support

> Farmers Applied New Technologies

Full Time Equivalent Jobs Created \$11,681 3

37

PUNJAB

Private Sector Investment Leveraged through USG Support

Farmers Sensitized on Agricultural Technology Adoption

Farmers Applied
New Technologies

Full Time Equivalent Jobs Created \$1,672,151

39,893

8,370

880

GILGIT-BALTISTAN

Private Sector Investment Leveraged through USG Support

Farmers Sensitized on Agricultural Technology Adoption

Farmers Applied New Technologies

Full Time Equivalent Jobs Created \$27,891

13,758

16,306

45

SINDH

Private Sector Investment Leveraged through USG Support

Farmers Sensitized on Agricultural Technology Adoption

Farmers Applied New Technologies

Full Time Equivalent Jobs Created \$103,722

4,287

15,817

450

TOTAL

Private Sector Investment Leveraged through USG Support

Farmers Sensitized on Agricultural Technology Adoption

Farmers Applied New Technologies

Full Time Equivalent Jobs Created \$1,844,467

116,144

44,026

1,488



STIMULATING SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURAL GROWTH

The four-year USAID-funded PATTA is working to identify, support, and bring to scale private-sector solutions to improve agricultural productivity in Pakistan. PATTA's goal is to uplift Pakistan's agriculture sector through a robust private sector-led technology transfer initiative which improves the economic status of beneficiaries through increased income and employment opportunities in the agricultural technology sector. The project has partnered with 37 agricultural technology companies that commercialize products and services. These agricultural technologies will increase the competitiveness of small farmers and mobilize investments in agricultural technology. This partnership is providing Pakistani farmers broader access to affordable technologies leading to an increase in productivity. USAID PATTA extends support by linking private sector agricultural technology partners with dealers and DSPs to achieve sales through increased access to innovative agricultural technologies and improved business management practices. PATTA's technical assistance components are Business Development Marketing Services (BDMS) and Agriculture Technology.





ENGAGING PARTNERS FOR TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

PATTA's linkages with key counterparts are the main vehicle for technology transfer in Pakistan, PATTA has established and nurtured linkages with key partner agribusinesses, stakeholders, and government departments, a reiteration of its commitment to uplift Pakistan's agriculture sector through partnership-focused technology transfer. The project acknowledges the pivotal role of partners in enhancing agricultural innovation and shaping the agribusiness industry. PATTA and its partners have come together to promote and commercialize effective agricultural technologies to scale-up private sector agribusinesses and benefit farmers through mainstream technologies adoption. The project has effectively collaborated with an array of stakeholders - from agribusinesses to smallholder farmers, from provincial agriculture departments to financial institutions, from dealer networks to marginalized women in agriculture, from media personnel to government extension workers, and from representatives of the academia to development organizations. The project is guiding and encouraging public and private sector players so that they can collectively contribute to the production and dissemination of innovative technologies across regional, national, and local networks. These partnerships have generated dialogue with the provincial and federal governments and helped position agricultural technology transfer high up on the national agenda. In addition, PATTA has created a conducive environment for SSPs to improve business practices and become more competitive in a stable business environment. Cooperation with key partners in the public and private sectors has resulted in major collaborative efforts which are significant for modernizing the agriculture sector, accelerating knowledge, building partners' capacity, mobilizing farmers, and addressing key sector-specific challenges to technology adoption across Pakistan.





Launch Event

USAID Pakistan Agricultural Technology Transfer Activity



AGRICULTURAL TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER



IMPROVING PRODUCTION AND QUALITY

PATTA's Agricultural Technology component is focused on broadening and accelerating the use of modern and enhanced agricultural technologies, including quality seeds, fertilizers, improved water management, and other production practices to increase the yield and quality of small farmers' produce. The project has adopted a market-oriented approach by working with both SSPs and DSPs to develop, bring to scale and promote appropriate, effective and affordable agricultural technology adoption. The project helps agricultural technology-related businesses to expand and commercialize agricultural technologies. In addition, the project arranges trainings and exposure visits for DSPs and SSPs to enhance their awareness of new and improved technologies and provide farmers hands-on exposure through demonstration of technologies.











KEY TECHNOLOGIES COMMERCIALIZED IN PAKISTAN



Single Bucket Milking Machine



Rye Grass Seed



Maize Planter

Breed Improvement



Reaper Binder for Harvesting



Vital Agri Nutrients (Micronutrients)



Pruning and Harvesting Tools





Static Spinosad (Insecticide)



Silage (Animal Fodder)



Packaging and Post-harvest Technologies



for
High Value
Off-season
Vegetables







EMPOWERING WOMEN IN AGRICULTURE

Supporting women in agriculture is a priority for USAID PATTA. The project is helping women benefit from technology transfer, investments in agri-tech, and awareness-raising initiatives. PATTA aims to expand competitive agricultural technologies to boost growth in agricultural production, sales and ultimately, value for women in agribusiness. The project is increasing women's access to new technologies and improving management practices in high-value sectors such as dairy, livestock, and horticulture. PATTA conducts awareness sessions to enhance women's adoption of affordable and effective agricultural technologies through its private sector partnership with agribusinesses. In addition, the project seeks to create awareness about entrepreneurial opportunities, dealership and business models for women, and regularly promotes the use of available women-friendly agricultural technologies so that current technologies are embraced widely by women.





AN AGRICULTURAL TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER ACTIVITY





I have learnt about new types of seeds, fertilizers and tools in PATTA-supported agricultural technologies demonstrations. Usually, women are doing manual work and the use of machinery is considered as part of a man's job. I encourage all women to learn more about new products and tools through demonstrations in our village.

Sibyani, a woman farmer from village Taju Khaskheli, Tehsil Shujabad in district Mirpur Khas, Sindh









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BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AND MARKETING SERVICES









The training helped me learn the latest sales skills in agri-tech and to build my me exceed my sales target o PKR 30 million this year at the Ali Akbar Group. I am a confident ag-tech sales champion now!

Mohammad Kamran

Regional Sales Manager, Ali Akbar Group

BUILDING SALES CHAMPIONS IN AGRIBUSINESS SECTOR

PATTA is supporting its agricultural technology partners to improve and develop sales and marketing plans to encourage best practices necessary for business expansion in the agricultural technologies sector. The project is committed to helping agricultural technology partners discover new ways to reach and sell to farmers and acquire deep industry understanding of tackling product sales and marketing. By investing in skill development of sales professionals and encouraging business expansion, PATTA will achieve its ultimate objective of increasing incremental sales of technology products and services generated through USG assistance. The project is providing training on marketing skills for the sales force of SSPs and DSPs. The trainings are targeted towards sales representatives from dynamic Pakistani agri-tech private sector companies to enable them to drive agricultural technology sales in Pakistan's growing farm economy. The trainings help sales representatives in championing critical company sales, identifying strategies and building customer relationships.





IMPROVING TECHNOLOGY UPTAKE AMONG FARMERS

PATTA is providing technical assistance to the private sector for developing Social and Behavior Change Communication (SBCC) strategies to heighten awareness regarding best agricultural management practices, increase sales, and improve farmers' adoption of innovative agricultural technologies. Ultimately, as the project's partners increase outreach and persuade farmers to adopt innovative agricultural management practices, the farming community will make significant gains by using the right tools and practices to spend less and earn more on their farmland. The project offers support in enhancing SBCC approaches to help the private sector to develop an understanding of the current practices and behaviors which generally discourage wider technology adoption. PATTA is working with selected agricultural technology companies to enhance awareness of agricultural technologies among farmer communities and address the key issues that hinder their acceptability and use.

We have learnt so much from PATTA and are now able to create effective messages to positively influence farmers' behavior towards adoption of fodder seed technologies

Yasir Bajwa Director Marketing,





CREATING FINANCIAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR AGRIBUSINESSES

PATTA is linking agri-tech partners with financial institutions and providing trainings to improve their financial management systems under its Access to Finance component. PATTA seeks to build its agribusiness partners' capacity to use formal banking systems, avail available financial products and services, and enhance their money management skills. The project has accomplished this by imparting financial management training to its private sector agricultural technology business partners and supporting businesses to create financial business plans for improving financial planning, credit worthiness, and record-keeping skills. In addition, PATTA has sensitized banks and financial institutions to explore new avenues for agricultural financing and needs-based financial solutions for farmers across Pakistan. The project is capacitating private sector agricultural technology companies by promoting advanced agricultural technologies such as agri-SME financing financial tools, products and services to Pakistani farmers.







AMPLIFYING COMPETITIVENESS OF HORTICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND DAIRY SECTORS

One of the major challenges in advancing Pakistan's agricultural growth is the slow rate of technological innovations. PATTA is supporting high-value agricultural sectors such as Livestock, Dairy, and Horticulture to increase smallholders' productivity through transfer of knowledge, advanced skills, and agricultural technologies. The project aims to accelerate adoption of new techniques and technologies and encourages investments in high-value agriculture to ensure competitiveness and improved profitability in targeted sectors. USAID PATTA is creating an enabling environment where a wide range of stakeholders, including private sector, federal and provincial governments, farmers, dealer networks, academia, media, and federal and provincial research institutions collaborate to ensure that Pakistan's high-value agriculture adopts the latest technologies, sophisticated management techniques, and a skilled workforce to compete globally.





DAIRY AND LIVESTOCK

To meet the increasing demand for milk and meat in Pakistan, PATTA is improving production by creating linkages between smallholder dairy farmers and agribusiness partners. The project collaborates with dairy and livestock-focused agribusinesses to promote technologies so that dairy farmers can carry out livestock management, adopt best farming practices, and maximize nutrient intake for optimal production. PATTA is promoting innovative dairy and livestock technologies and improved practices to farmers, including fodder seeds to enhance milk productivity, use of milking machines to improve hygiene in milking processes, and silage-making for fresh animal fodder. The livestock and dairy sectors are benefiting from PATTA's facilitation in nutrition and breed improvement, including artificial insemination.





HORTICULTURE

The project is introducing various technologies to Pakistan's horticulture industry including Integrated Pest Management (IPM), controlled production, improved genetics, and post-harvest handling and packaging. The project aims to support an increase in farmers' crop yields by linking them with new agricultural crop and horticulture technologies through capacity-building trainings and agricultural technology awareness demonstrations and expos across Pakistan. PATTA is collaborating with agribusinesses that manufacture and promote land preparation tools so that farmers benefit through reduction of labor and input costs, ultimately resulting in increased profits. Bio fertilizers / micronutrients and seed technologies such as hybrid seed are being introduced for improved plant growth and better crops and vegetable production. In addition, PATTA is helping farmers reduce post-harvest losses by linking them with agribusinesses that deal in effective post-harvest technologies and techniques.









Agriculture in Pakistan









PATTA FOUR-YEAR MISSION





Capacity Building of Partners to Improve Business Performances



