

Current Situation of Agricultural Extension and Advisory System in Tajikistan

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Agriculture in Tajikistan

21.1% **10 mln** **70%**

from GDP in 2022

population

of the population living
in Rural Areas



69% working women

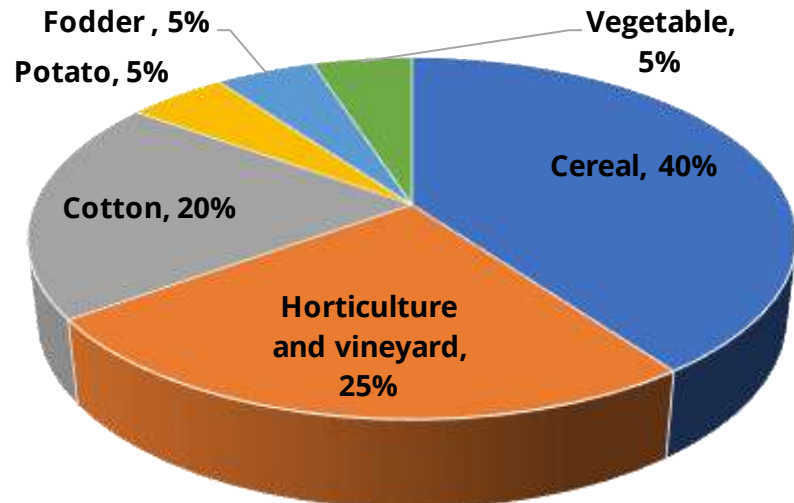
Pasture land:
6 mln ha

Arable land:
800 thousand ha

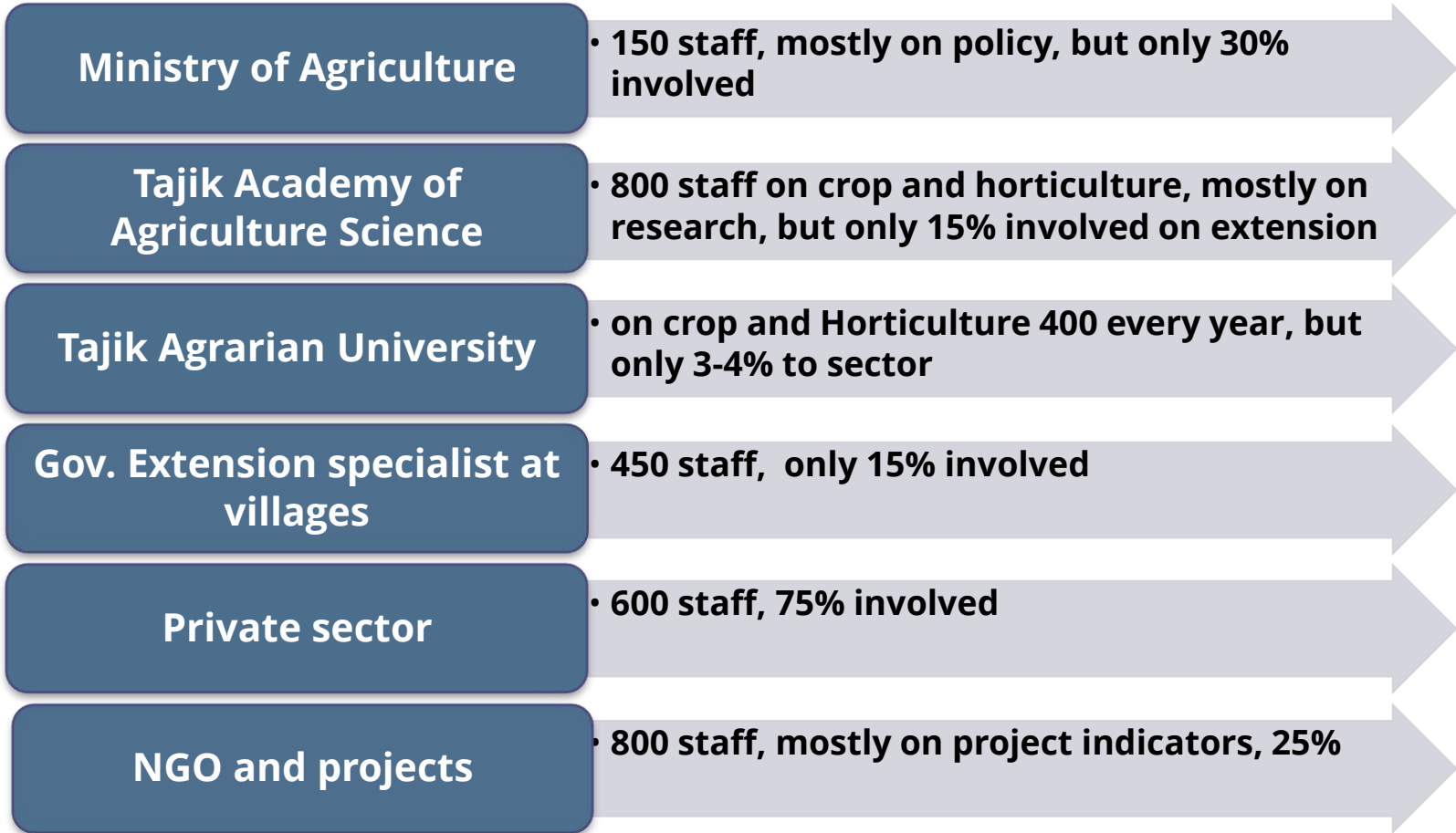
Number of livestock:
8,5 mln

200,000*
Number of
farms in 2022

(*compare with 1991: only 700)



Stakeholders of Extension service in Tajikistan



Total: 3,200 involved, but only 800 provide professional extension service

Outreach of Extension service



From 200 thousand farms professional service covered 8 % only



From 800 thousand ha of arable only 14 % covered by professional extension services



More than 90% of farmers needs professional extension services!



Challenges ...

- Due to ongoing farm reform, larger farms were subdivided into smaller units, crop monitoring of many **smaller plots** is time consuming:
- ✓ The ongoing land reform and the restructuring processes in agricultural production leads to smaller and smaller production units.
- ✓ On the same area of land the number of decision makers increases significantly.
- Crop diversification effect to diversification advisory service;



EXTENSION SERVICES IN CASE OF NATIONAL COOPERATIVE OF AGRICULTURE ADVISERS “SAROB”



Consultation

Professional consultation through advisory Network
(*more than 300 advisers)*



Capacity building

Improving capacity of agriculture advisers through SAROB Capacity Building Program.



Sustainable Agriculture transformation

Implementation of BCI and GlobalG.A.P.



Input supply & Market linkages

Supply adopted crop seeds, machinery and equipment and create market linkages producers with processors and International Market.



Research & Development Program

Research and testing new crop seeds and technologies and after getting good result promoting through establishment of demonstration.



Climate Change Adaptation

Testing and promotion of climate smart agriculture.

SAROB OUTREACH

1716 Farms
53 557 Ha

Consultation

773 Farms
9 886 Ha

Inputs and machinery

1 157 Farms
14 384 Ha

Sustainable Agriculture

277 demo
95 Ha

*Research &
Development*

SUSTAINABLE ADOPTION OF innovations:



2020 # 24 innovations,
demo 206,
demon area 160 ha,
adopted area 36 000 ha ,



2021 # 22 innovations,
demo 198
demo area 150 ha,
adopted area 42 000 ha



Thank you for attention!