Expert Group Meeting on Harnessing Innovative Technologies to Advance Green Transformation for Sustainable Development in North and Central Asia

Leveraging mechanization-based innovation and technologies for sustainable and climate-smart agriculture in North and Central Asia

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Climate Change Impacts

Economic Impacts

Social Impacts

Water scarcity		Soil degradation		Extre	Extreme weather events	
Ŷ	Crop yields	$\hat{\Gamma}$	Soil fertility	仓	Crop damage	
介	Irrigation costs	仓	Production cost	仓	Damage Infrastructure	
Ţ	Farm incomes	Ţ	Profitability	$\hat{\mathbf{U}}$	Production losses	
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	Conflicts over water	î	Land abandonment	Î	Disruption of	
Î	Migration from rural areas		Loss of livelihoods	Î	and communities Risks and hardships of vulnerable population	



Examples of Mechanization-based Technologies and Practices

No tillage and subsoiling stubble traw mulching



High-efficiency water-saving irrigation technologies





Drones for fertilizer/pesticide/herbicide spaying



Diversification of Species



Low pressure irrigation technologies





Role of Innovative Mechanization-based Technologies and Practices



Sustainable agricultural mechanization, tailored to the unique environmental and socio-economic contexts of North and Central Asia, can play a pivotal role in food system transformation



Integration of Digital Devices and Artificial Intelligence (AI)



- Digital devices such as smartphones, tablets, and IoT sensors play a pivotal role in modern agriculture.
- They enable farmers to access real-time data, make informed decisions, and optimize resource use.
- Al could help agriculture by enabling predictive analytics, automation, and providing some recommendations.
- AI-powered tools could help to analyze data to provide valuable insights for farmers.

Solutions and Pathways Ahead

Leveraging mechanization-based innovation and technologies for sustainable and climate-smart agriculture

- Policies and investments must prioritize capacity building initiatives
- Accessibility to applicable and affordable technologies
- Development of infrastructure that supports sustainable farming practices
- Strengthened cooperation in climate adaptation strategies at international, regional and sub-regional levels



CSAM's Engagements and Collaborations



Thank you for your attention!



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