Smarter Farming – Are our Farmers Ready?

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The Farmer is an Expert in the Crop that he Grows because:

he tends to his crop everyday in the field

he sees the plant

he feels the soil

he senses the weather

and he anticipates the next invasion of P&D pathogen

Yet he has little control over what he does, see, feel or sense

He can only anticipate and fear



The Value Chain Parameters

- Low Farm **Gate Prices**
- The Middleman **Syndrome**

Creating the Enabling Environment

 Growing the **Right Product?**

Lack of

Demand

- MRL Compliances and Certification

- INFORMATION
- Low Production Yield
 - Farmer's Issues

 Post-Harvest Handling & **Distribution Processes**

Market Access

 Market Information

- Market Intelligence
- Fast Changing Consumer Trend in Market Structure
 - Value Addition
- Weather and Climate Change

- Farm Extension **Services**
 - **Marketing** Issues
- Logistics & Communication Infrastructure

- Sourcing appropriate technology and linking strategic partners
 - Difficulty in bringing small rural farms into mainstream markets
- The concept of CHOICE

Building the Negotiation Position of the Farmers

Emerging Market Trends Consumerism in Variety, Exotic, Catering, Niche Markets

- Export and Market Consolidation
- Customising Quality and Packaging

Meeting the COMPETITION

Anticipating the Farming Community of Tomorrow?

Farmers

- There will be a new generation of farmers who can read and write and Info Tech savvy
- The Farmer will become a Food Producer (Commercial, Productivity, Control)

The Information and Technology Effects

- The Speed of Change of Technology is Hyperbolic
- The experience of the Information and Technology Effect is more entrenched
- Farmers who lack behind now will need to Make a Leap

Demand for Food

The demand for food is greater than the availability of food

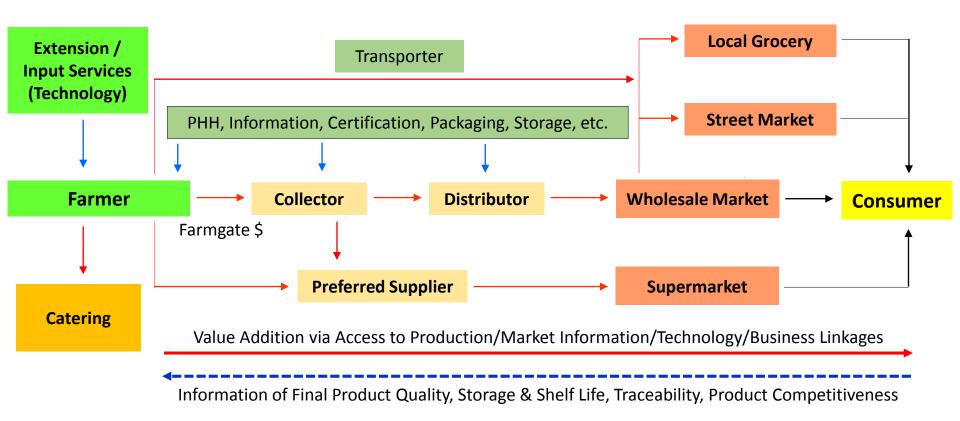
Market and Marketing

- The marketing distinction on locality will diminish (urban vs rural markets, and domestic vs foreign markets)
- Traders will focus on data management and control

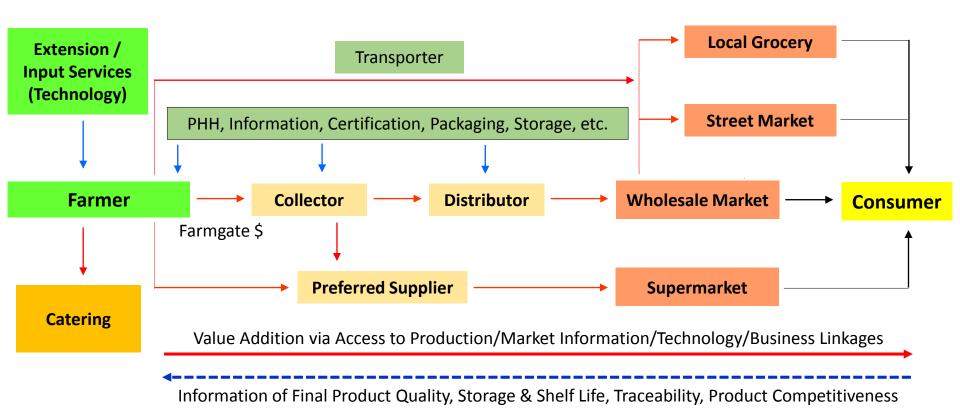
The Environment

The Environment will impact in every action and decision that the Producer makes

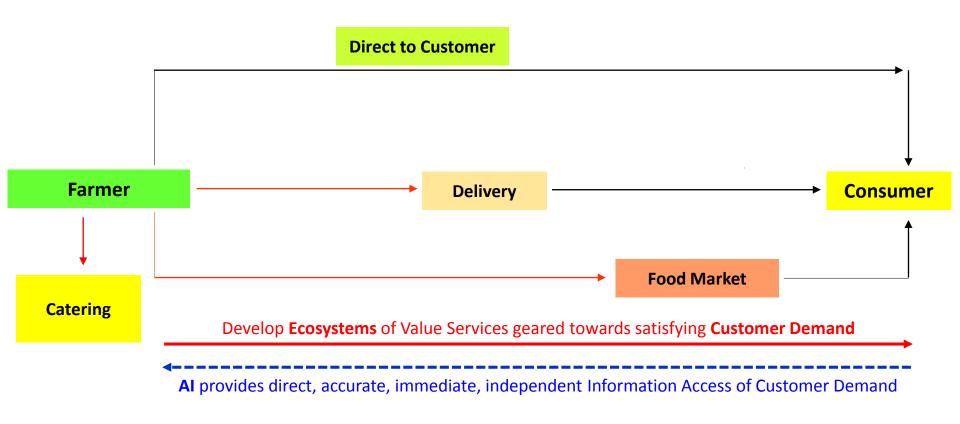
Food Value Chain Today



Food Value Chain Tomorrow



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Enabling Factors and Parameters that will enhance the Leap for the Food Producer



Future of Food Value Chains

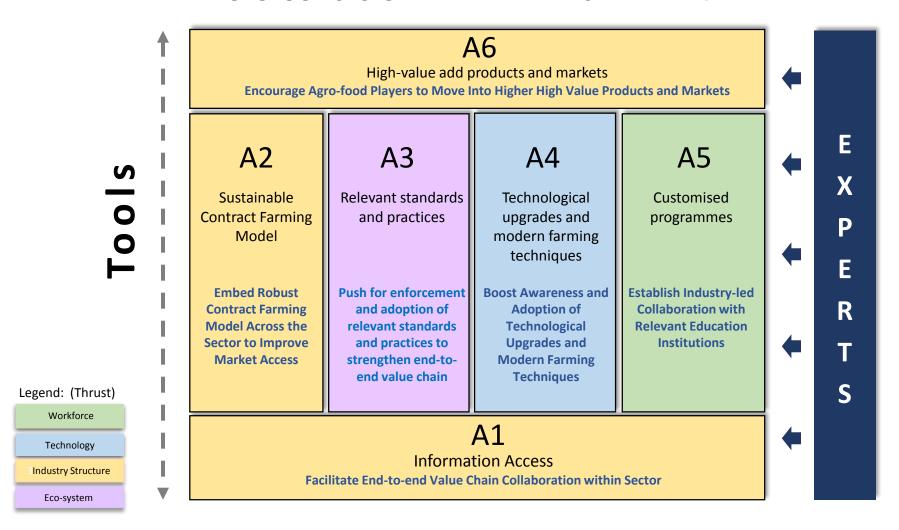
Issues of food at stake	Vision of the world food situation Tomorrow
Consumption capacity	 There will be more wealthy and more economically weak consumers The world has 9 billion mouths to feed
Consumption behavior	 Rich consumers will have greater choice how they want their food to be Technology will power the future of food (new food base / food source) Buy natural, buy local (carbon footprint, food miles, etc.) Direct to Consumer, Concierge Convenience
 Production capacity / sustainability 	 Technology will drive production productivity More stringent management of land, water, chemical & GHG New food are designed, how it is grown and how it is distributed
 Production behavior 	 There are 2 major sources of food producers; i. Big commercial plant factories and large production owners ii. The small farms (80%) make up shortfall in improved productivity
 Impact of climate change on food production 	 Producers who can weather and sustain against the new environment and producers who cannot Water stress/drought/flooding/rising temperature/extreme conditions
 Cost of food 	 Food cost in the supply chain must give way to food value Food loss (farm), food waste (delivery), food production efficiencies

Paradigm shifts in Value Chain of Food Production Tomorrow

- Farmers / stakeholders move from preventing damage into mitigating damage
- Farmers will include carbon tax as new element of production cost
- Farmers and stakeholders work in an environment of resource scarcity
- Food delivery will be more local and direct and immediate
- Food focus on Productivity, Technology-led innovation, Food Waste, Food Safety, Traceability, Food Service,
- Government assistance will move to <u>building resilience</u> of producers against the impacts of climate change



AGROFOOD SECTOR LEVEL INITIATIVES FRAMEWORK



Thank you



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