





#### Melon Value Chain for Rural Development Program in Dry Zone, Myanmar 2017-2019 Funded by USAID





Innovation & Enhancing the Quality and Standard of Melon by Farmers in Myanmar

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- MFVP is established in 2006
- Non-profit org, local NGO
- An affiliated organization of the Union of Mynamar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry (UMFCCI)----
- over 30,000 members (from 32 crop clusters)
- Myanmar Melon Producer and Exporter Association (MMPEA) is under MFVP
- Established in 2006 and Started with only 7 Members
- \*2014---- 34 members
- 2018---- over 3000 members



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Cultivat	ion Crops :			
	Cereals			
3	Oil Seeds			
Э	Pulses			
Э	Spices & Condiments			
3	Tobacco & Betel Beverage Vegetable & Fruits			
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3	Fibre			
э	Miscellaneous			
Myanm	ar Climate:			
	Summer	Rainy	Winter	
	36-40'c	27-30'c	20-25'c	
Soil Cor	idition : andy soil, sub soil, clay los	an, medium loa	in	
Local	lifferences of cu	itivation	regions:	
	ingon, Ayeyarwaddy, Bag			

Rakhine, Mon, Kayin



#### Myanmar Melon Producer and Exporter Association (MMPEA)



Melon clusters in 7 regions



## Main Market

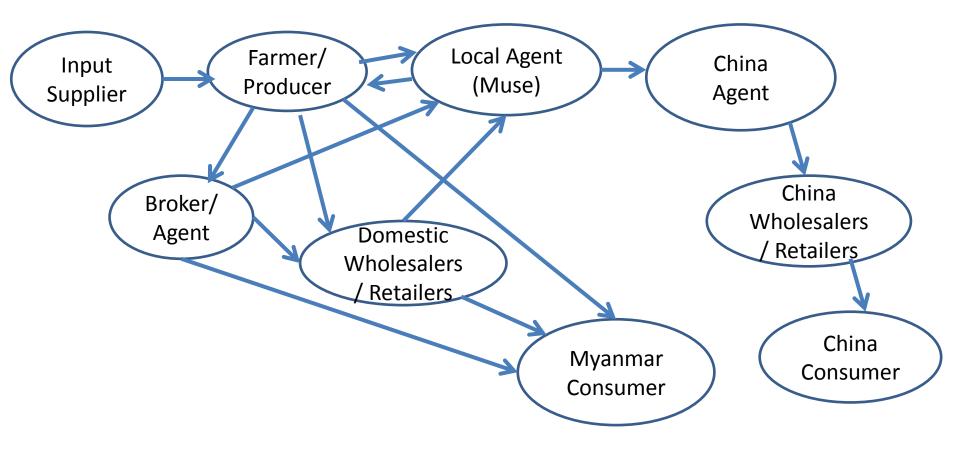
 Border Trade---- Muse (at the gate of Northern China, Yunan Province)

## **Other Export Market**

- Malaysia
- Singapore



## Melon Value Chain (Draft)





## Water Melon Export Yearly

Year	Metric Tons	Value (Millon USD)
2011-2012	248,626	39.143
2012-2013	309,013	47.050
2013-2014	469,258	60.209
2014-2015	526,082	67.513
2015-2016	570,828	60.760
2016-2017	660,016	65.874
2017-2018	740,000	



## **Musk Melon Export Yearly**

Year	Metric Ton	Value (Million USD)
2011-2012	50,965	10.876
2012-2013	57,781	12.356
2013-2014	90,656	18.488
2014-2015	114,728	23.404
2015-2016	99,654	20.329
2016-2017	121,726	24.842
2017-2018	140,000	

## Our Melon Farms Land Preparation



Covering the plastics on the seed beds.

## Our Melon Farms Seedlings



## Our Melon Farms Seedlings on the seed beds



## Our Melon Farms The plants are grown well



The plants become grow up

The plants become grow up with plenty of fruits.



## Fruits ready to transport and sell to China





#### Our Melon Lead Farmers at their farms







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MMPEA members can participate and attend the valuable trainings/Workshops

e.g

- > Nutrition Management and Integrated Pest Management Trainings
- ➤ GAP Training
- Food Safety Awareness Training------ etc
- Conducted Multiplier Trainings

#### ToT Training on Plant Nutrient Management, Integrated Pest management for Melon Production

#### **Soil Management**

- Soil sample testing
- Soil pH testing
- Macronutrients, Micronutrients and Trace Element
- Fertilizer Timing Application, etc





#### Pest Management

- Biological Control
- Natural Enemies
- How to conserve the natural enemies' population in the field and mass rearing practices?
- How to identify the pests/ diseases/ deficiency symptoms in the fields?

#### Multiplier Training on Plant Nutrient Management, Integrated Pest management for Melon Production by Melon Lead Farmers



#### **Communication for Development Training**



 Communication for development training is very effective for us because the training delivered in regarding with How to communicate each other effectively by using social networks (facebook, viber, messenger etc.)

#### **Myanmar GAP Awareness Training**





GAP requirement that was developed by Department of Agriculture under Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation and knowledge through GAP awareness training/workshop.

- How to grow the melons according to the GAP practices
- How to analyse the soil/water sample at the Land Use Department
- According to analysis result, the farmer will be certified as a GAP grower and he/she received the GAP certificate

#### **Food Safety Awareness Training**







- Food and Nutrition Security in melon production
- Nutrition Value of Water melon for health
- Linkage to potential markets of food security products

## **Myanmar Melon Industry**



► Key Opportunities

# Challenges and How to deal with them?

#### **Key Opportunities**

- Year round crop
- Semi-perishable crop
- More participation of women empowerment in production process
- Potential various kinds of markets could be found: exports, domestic super markets and vendors
- Direct trading to main land China----- Needs AQSIQ
- Direct trading to other countries rather than China ----- Needs Global GAP
- Development on standards and grades for melons

## Challenges and How to deal with them?

#### **Cost of production (Inputs and labor) are still high**

- Try to implement "Collective Purchasing" of inputs to reduce production cost
- Relying on illegally seed supply from China
  Want to get Good quality & registered seeds
- Linking with Syngenta Seed Co

#### **Accidental losses in melon transportation**

Linking with IKBZ Transportation Insurance Program

## Challenges and How to deal with them?

## Access to finance is still limited for melon production

- Coordination and Collaboration with Credit Institutions such as the Alliance
- Trying to link with A Bank and Responsible Business Fund (RBF)

Civil war and unrest situations in border areas hampering melon trade system

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## THANK YOU

