



ATSA Maize Production Training

**Make More Money
Produce More Maize
Reduce Your Costs**

Use Less Chemicals!

An ATSP "Agriculture Productivity" Services Opportunity

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Services Overview

The basis of this service is maize production training based on the well developed Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Farmer Field School (FFS) model promoted across Cambodia and Asia, lasting the entire production season with a group of up to 30 farmers meeting on a weekly basis. The objective of increasing overall maize production and using fewer chemicals, particularly pesticides. The training usually covers about three months, the length of the season of maize and is based on farmers implementing studies and observations in their fields. This is a holistic training which focuses on growing a healthy crop. ATSA can tailor courses for specific needs of the client.



Training Agenda Topics

- Maize Physiology
- Basic Maize Cultivation Techniques Including Fertilization
- Predator and Parasite Insects
- Major Maize Insect Pests
- Agro-ecosystem Analysis
- Soil ecology and development
- Field Ecology Studies

ATSA Training Personnel

Services are provided by a network of more than 500 District-based expert trainers with many years experience supported by more than 1500 community-based expert farmer trainers lead this powerful course. They are provided technical and training backup by central ATSA staff with International experience in IPM and FFS who help tailor and update course content.

Expected Outputs

1. 15-100% increase in maize production
2. 20-40% reduction in costs
3. Improved understanding of field ecology
4. Better independent decision-making skills
5. Group cohesion and cooperation
6. Application of skills to additional problems and crops

Costs

Cost per season long 2-4 month FFS is \$650 for 30- 40 farmers. Courses can be adjusted to fit local budget and time considerations.

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