



Farmer Research Training



**Do Your Own Research
Do Not Wait for Information
Understand Your Fields
Share Information**

An ATSP "Agriculture Productivity" Services Opportunity

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Services Overview

The basis of this service is to enable farmers to be better researchers in their own fields. The training follows a well defined curriculum which ensures that farmers understand the fundamental principles of research, development of hypothesis, experimental design, the need for controls, data collection, analysis and presentation/sharing of results with other community members. Farmers select research topics important to them while facilitators assist them in the various phases of the development and implementation of the research as well as analyzing the data and documenting it for sharing. The intention of the training is to encourage inquisitiveness and more research by farmers rather than just waiting for answers from outside.



Training Agenda Topics

- Fundamentals of science
- Research methodologies
- Data collection, analysis and documentation
- Simple statistical analysis
- Selecting real problems and designing research
- Sharing of research results

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 field research who help tailor and update course content.

Expected Outputs

1. Farmers who are capable of carrying out simple farm level research
2. Generate more knowledge at the farm level
3. Increased interest in learning by farmers
4. Ability to solve many of the local problems.

Costs

Cost per season long 3-month FFS is \$650 for 30- 40 farmers. Courses can be adjusted to fit local budget and time considerations.

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