

Local Market Development Project

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1 LMD Project strategic planning for northern Kyrgyzstan

At 10.00 on 4th November at the Helvetas office, the LMD Project held a strategic planning meeting for northern Kyrgyzstan with partner organisations that was attended by representatives from Adonai Trading Company; RAS "Chui-Talas" PF, Shoola PA, TAIC PF, Agrobilim, AgroLid PA who gave short presentations on 2009 activities.

Information included the numbers of farmers working with the project in 2009, the volumes of produce and deliveries to processing enterprises and bazaars, produce prices and contracts signed fulfilled. Plans were drawn up for 2010.

2 Platform for developing agricultural chains

On 10th November in the DCCA office, Osh, a scheduled meeting of the platform for developing agricultural chains in southern Kyrgyzstan was held. The meeting was attended by representatives from Helvetas, TES-Centre, DCCA, Mekhr-Shavkat PF, RAS Batken, RAS Jalalabad, Tayan PF, Agrobilim PA, SEP.

Agenda:

1. Final information about deliveries of produce to processing enterprises by farmers involved in the LMD Project.
2. Discussing the LMD Project programme of planning seminars with partner organisations for 2010.
3. Presentation of a new component of the SEP Project for 2010: the market for low cost technologies for producing drip-feed irrigation systems from India on which there was feedback from participants and discussions about the opportunities for and problems of drip-feed irrigation
4. A short discussion of partners' project proposals for 2010.

The next southern Kyrgyzstan Platform discussion will be held on 29.01.2010 in the TES-Centre office in Osh and hosted by RAS Jalalabad.

Issues:

1. Seed supplies
2. discussion of tables: numbers of Farmers' Groups and FFG, numbers of farmers, planned delivery volumes, contracts

3 Training in the School Laboratory

On 24 and 25th November training on Monitoring and Evaluation of project activities was held as part of the School Laboratory project in the small conference room in Osh Nuru Hotel (Intourist). On the first day participants held a brainstorming session on planning School Laboratory activities for 2010, during which representatives of partner organisations worked out the training themes for next year.

4 LMD Project activities

Monitoring and working with partner organisations:

1. The Project is receiving written and financial reports from partner organisations on their work in 2009.
2. The LMD Project has held strategic planning meetings for southern and northern Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan for 2010.
3. The project and its partners plan to work with 8,300 farmers in Tajikistan and Tajikistan in 2010.
4. About 50 support organisations offering financial and non-financial services in several sub-sectors will be working with the farmers and processing enterprises.
5. Project proposals must include all the indicators needed to work with the LMD Project.

