





INVENTORY OF CLIMATE SMART AGRICULTURE GREEN GRAMS TECHNOLOGIES, INNOVATIONS & MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

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1.0 Definition of terms and summary tables of Greengrams Technologies, Innovations and Management Practices (TIMPS)

1.1 Definition of terms

Technology: This is defined as an output of a research process which is beneficial to the target clientele (mainly farmers, pastoralists, agro-pastoralists and fisher folk for KCSAP's case), can be commercialized and can be patented under intellectual property rights (IPR) arrangements. It consists of research outputs such as tools, equipment, genetic materials, breeds, farming and herding practices, gathering practices, laboratory techniques, models etc.

Management practice: This is defined as recommendation(s) on practice(s) that is/are considered necessary for a technology to achieve its optimum output. These include, for instance, different agronomic and practices (seeding rates, fertilizer application rates, spatial arrangements, planting period, land preparation, watering regimes, etc.), protection methods, for crops; and feed rations, management systems, disease control methods, etc. for animal breeds. This is therefore important information which is generated through research to accompany the parent technology before it is finally released to users and the technology would be incomplete without this information.

Innovation: This is defined as a modification of an existing technology for an entirely different use from the original intended use. (e.g. fireless cooker modified to be used as a hatchery)

1.2 Summary of Inventory of TIMPs in the Greengrams Value Chain

The inventory process resulted in a total of 8 TIMPs including 5 technologies, 0 innovations and 9 management practices, distributed among the 5 sub-themes, as indicated in Table 1

Commodity/VC	Sub-Theme	Technologies	Innovations	Management Practices
Greengrams	Improved varieties	5	0	0
Greengrams	Integrated Pest and Disease Management	0	0	2
Greengrams	Integrated Soil Fertility management	0	0	4
Greengrams	Agronomic practices	0	0	1
Greengrams	Postharvest management			2
Overall Total		5	0	9

1.3 Summary of Status of TIMPs in Green gram Value Chain

The inventory process resulted in a total of 13 TIMPs that are ready for upscaling, 13 TIMPs that require validation and 6 TIMPs that require further research in the sub-themes, as indicated in Table 2.

Table 2. Number of TIMPs ready for upscaling, require validation or further research

Commodity/VC	Sub-Theme	Ready for upscaling	Require validation	Further Research
Greengrams	Improved varieties	5	5	2
Greengrams	Integrated Pest and Disease Management	2	2	0
Greengrams	Integrated Soil Fertility Management	3	3	0
Greengrams	Agronomic practices	1	1	0
Greengrams	Green gram value added products	0	0	1
Greengrams	Mechanization	0	0	1
Greengrams	Postharvest handling	2	2	2
Overall Total		13	13	6

Table3: Inventory of Greengram TIMPs by Category and Status

TIMPs Sub-	TIMPs Title	TIMPs Category	Status
Theme			
2.1 Improved	2.1.1 Green Gram variety KAT N26	Technology	Ready for upscaling
varieties	2.1.2 Green gram variety Biashara	Technology	Ready for upscaling
			Requires validation
	2.1.3 Green gram variety Ndengu Tosha	Technology	Ready for upscaling
			Requires validation
	2.1.4 Green Gram variety Karembo	Technology	Ready for upscaling
			Requires validation
	2.1.5 Variety KS 20	Technology	Ready for up scaling
2.2 Integrated	2.2.1 Integrated Pest and Disease	Management	Ready for upscaling
Pest	Management	Practice	Requires validation
Management			
2.3Fertility	2.3.1 Integrated soil fertility management	Management	Ready for upscaling
management	anagement (ISFM) –Tied ridges, CA, rotational, Use of		Requires validation
	fertilizer/manure		
2.4 Agronomic	2.4.1 Recommended spacing, Seed rate	Management	Ready for upscaling
practices		Practice	Requires validation

2.0 **Detailed Green gram Value chain TIMPS**

2.1 Improved varieties

2.1 Improved varieties 2.1.1TIMP name	Green Gram variety KAT N26	
Category (i.e. technology,	Technology	
innovation or management	Teelmology	
practice)		
<u> </u>	gy, innovation or management practice	
Problem to be addressed	- Low green gram yields	
	- High demand for green grams	
What is it? (TIMP description)	It is an Early maturing (80-90 days), high yielding (1000-1500kg/ha (4-6, 90 kg bags/acre) green gram variety that is tolerant to aphids, resistant to yellow mosaic and moderately resistant to powdery mildew. Its characteristic features include; black pod colour when dry and shiny green grains. Green gram grows in a wide range of climatic conditions. It is a low altitude, warm season crop and can be grown from sea level to 1600 m above sea level. The crop is also heat and drought tolerant and thus can be grown in both semi-arid and well-watered areas. A warm humid climate with temperature ranging from 25- 35 °C, 400-550 mm rainfall, well distributed during the growing period is suitable for cultivation. Green gram is grown on a wide range of soils. A well-drained loamy and sandy loam soil are best for its cultivation. The crop does not grow well in waterlogged soils.	
Justification	ASALs are characterized by frequent droughts. Green gram is a short season legume and can fit into cropping patterns practiced in ASALs (two season cropping). Farmer varieties are low yielding and late maturing. This early maturing, high yielding, pest and disease tolerant variety will increase yields and improve livelihoods. Due to their short growing cycle (65-75 days), green gram are considered less risk-prone. It is a nutritious warm season crop. The grain is abundant in protein, minerals and vitamins making it an ideal supplement to cereal-based diet which is the best solution to protein-calorie malnutrition. Its starch is easier to digest. It induces less flatulence and is well tolerated by children. Wide adoption of the improved varieties will play an important role in food security, balanced diet and alleviation of poverty.	
B Assessment of dissemination and scaling up/out approaches		
Users of TIMP	 Farmers Seed companies/Agro-dealers Traders/Exporters, Research organizations and universities Agro-processors Extension Agents (Public and Private) 	
Approaches to be used in dissemination	Farmer participatory evaluationOn-farm demonstrationField days	

	- Agricultural shows
	- Farmer to farmer
	- Mass Media – e.g. Mkulima programme, Smart Farmer and
	Seeds of Gold
	- Extension publications (posters/ brochures/leaflets)
Critical/essential factors for	- Partners -NGOs
	- Seed availability, accessibility and affordability
successful promotion	- Strong linkage among green gram value chain actors – producers to market
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	- Strong partnership linkages
Partners/stakeholders for	- Awareness campaign
	- Extension service providers (Public and private) to help in
scaling up and their roles	the technology dissemination
	- FAO facilitate in the promotion of the technology and
	linking farmers to market - ICRISAT –technology dissemination
	- NGOs:-technology dissemination through on-farm demonstrations
	- KILIMO trust capacity building of farmers and linking
	farmers to markets and credit facilities
	- Seed companies -marketing of the technologies
	- Traders/exporters –marketing of the technology
	- Processors –For value added products
	- Public institutions – schools (Providing the market)
	- County governments –Help in the dissemination of the
	technology, Linking farmers to external markets
C: Current situation and futu	
Counties where already	
promoted, if any	, , ,
Counties where TIMPs will be	Isiolo, Machakos, Taita Taveta, Tharaka Nithi, West Pokot,
up scaled	Baringo, Tana River
Challenges in dissemination	- Limited seed systems hinder farmers from obtaining seed
	for new varieties
	- Unavailability of quality seed and high seed cost
	- Limited access to rural finance for pulse production
	- Limited processing technologies at the household level; is
	mainly known for making stew served with cereal-based
	meals
Suggestions for addressing the	- Capacity building on Good Agronomic Practices
challenges	- Participation of stakeholders along the value chain in
	technology development and on-farm validation
	- Promoting awareness among farmers about the loss of
	varietal vigour associated with recycling of saved seed
	- Upscale innovations to reduce production costs
	- Develop value added products
Lessons learned in up scaling,	- Partnership is important in technology dissemination and
if any	adoption
Social, environmental, policy	- Re-establish linkage between green gram production and
and market conditions	consumption -importance in the local diet

necessary for development	- Use of contract management as a means to guarantee	
and upscaling	consistent supply	
and apseaming	- Increase Public-Private dialogue to agree on a model that will	
	ensure compliance with international standards	
	- Provide market information on volume, quality and supply	
	consistency requirements	
	- Support informal seed system (community seed bulking) to	
	ensure timely seed availability, access and affordability	
D: Economic, gender, vulnera	ble and marginalized groups (VMGs) considerations	
Basic costs	Kshs.13,000	
Estimated returns	The gross margins under improved management were estimated at KES 19,858.80/ha	
Gender issues and concerns in	- As an early maturing and high yielding variety it will meet the	
development, dissemination	food and nutrition security of the whole household	
adoption and scaling up	- It offers a good opportunity for income generation for both	
	men and women	
Gender related opportunities	- The variety is high yielding therefore Increased productivity	
	will benefit the household	
	- The technology has high international and local demand	
	therefore offers an opportunity for men, women and the youth to generate income	
	- As an early maturing and high yielding variety it will meet the	
	food and nutrition security of the whole household	
VMG issues and concerns in	- The variety is meant to increase productivity, therefore both	
development, dissemination	gender can benefit from the increased production	
adoption and scaling up	- Being a high yielding variety, it is aimed at increasing	
S.I.	production and therefore providing food and nutrition	
	security and a window for increased income	
VMG related opportunities	- The technology can improve food and nutrition security and	
	an opportunity for increased income	
	- As an early maturing and high yielding variety it will meet the	
	food and nutrition security of the whole household.	
	- It offers a good opportunity for income generation for the	
	whole family	
	- The crop is rich in protein and folate thus important in	
T. C A 1. /	improving nutrition and health for the VMGs	
E: Case studies/profiles of success stories		
Success stories Application guidalines for	Cuidelines eveileble in entencies sublications (Care	
Application guidelines for	Guidelines available in extension publications (Green gram brochures available at KALRO-Katumani)	
F: Status of TIMP readiness	1-Ready for upscaling	
(1-Ready for upscaling, 2-	2-requires validation	
requires validation, 3-	3-requires further research on disease resistance	
requires further research)	2 10 quitos furtifer researen en aisease resistance	
G: Contacts		
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scientis	ts		(KALRO Katumani), Catherine Muriithi (KALRO Embu)
Partner	organizations		- World Vegetable Centre
			- MoALF&I
			- Seed companies like Dryland seed Ltd, East African Seed
			company
			- FAO
			- ICRISAT
			- KILIMO trust
			- East African Grain Council

Gaps for further researcher:

- 1. Need for mechanization to ease the harvesting Thresher
- 2. Need to improve KAT N26 variety on disease resistance
- 3. Explore bio-control of insect pests white flies and aphids
- 4. Postharvest handling protection against pests e. g rat-proof cages for protection of hermetic bags
- 5. Value added green gram based products formulation of weaner diets

2.1.2TIMP name	Green gram variety Biashara
Category (i.e. technology,	Technology
innovation or management	
practice)	agy innovation or management practice
	ogy, innovation or management practice
Problem addressed	Low yields
William Co. (TVD CD. 1	High demand for green grams
What is it? (TIMP description)	It is an early maturing (65 –75 days) high yielding (1800—
	2100 kg/ha (8-9, 90 kg bags/acre) green gram variety that is
	tolerant to aphids, resistant to yellow mosaic and moderately
	resistant to powdery mildew. Its characteristic features
	include; cream pod colour when dry large seed size (8 –10
	g/100 seeds), and shiny green grains. Optimal environmental
	conditions: The crop grows in a wide range of climatic
	conditions. It is a low altitude, warm season crop and can be
	grown from sea level to 1600 m above sea level. It is heat and
	drought tolerant and thus can be grown in both semi-arid and well-watered areas. A warm humid climate with temperature
	ranging from 25- 35 °C, 400-550 mm rainfall, well distributed
	during the growing period is suitable for cultivation. A well-
	drained loamy and sandy loam soil are best for its cultivation.
	The crop does not grow well in waterlogged soils.
Justification	ASALs are characterized by frequent droughts. Green grams
	is a short season legume and can fit into cropping patterns
	practiced in ASALs (two season cropping). Farmer available
	varieties are low yielding and late maturing. Conventional
	varieties, however have small pods and small seeds that are
	difficult to harvest. The small seed is undesirable in the
	market. This early maturing, high yield, pest and disease
	tolerant variety will increase yields and improve livelihoods.

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	Due to their short growing cycle (65-75 days), green gram are
	considered less risk-prone. It is a nutritious warm season
	crop. The grain is abundant in protein, minerals and vitamins
	making it an ideal supplement to cereal-based diet which is
	the best solution to protein-calorie malnutrition. Its starch is
	easier to digest. It induces less flatulence and is well tolerated
	by children. Wide adoption of the improved varieties will
	play an important role in food security, balanced diet and
Users of TIMP	alleviation of poverty Farmers
Users of Thyle	
	Seed companies and Agro-dealersTraders/Exporters
	 Other research organizations/institutions (universities)
	- Processors
Approaches to be used in	- Farmer participatory evaluation
dissemination	- On-farm demonstration
dissemilation	- Field days
	- Agricultural shows
	- Farmer to farmer
	- Mass Media – "Mkulima programme"
	- Promotional materials (posters/brochures/leaflets)
Critical/essential factors for	- Need for good seed system to ensure accessibility
successful promotion	- Strong linkage among green gram value chain actors –
1	producers to market
	- Strong Partnership linkages
Partners/stakeholders for	- KALRO to provide seed for the variety
scaling up and their roles	- Extension service providers (Public and private) to help
	in the technology dissemination
	- FAO facilitate in the promotion of the technology and
	linking farmers to market
	- ICRISAT –technology dissemination
	- NGOs:-technology dissemination through on-farm
	demonstrations
	- KILIMO trust capacity building of farmers and linking
	farmers to markets and credit facilities
	- Seed companies –marketing of the technologies
	- Traders/exporters–marketing of the technology
	- Processors Public institutions scales (Providing of the market)
	- Public institutions – schools (Providing of the market)
	- County governments –Help in the dissemination of the technology, Linking farmers to external markets
C: Current situation and futu	
Counties where already	Isiolo, Machakos, Taita Taveta, Tharaka Nithi, West Pokot,
promoted, if any	Baringo, Tana River
Counties where TIMPs will be	Isiolo, Machakos, Taita Taveta, Tharaka Nithi, West Pokot,
upscaled	Baringo, Tana River
Challenges in development	- Limited seed systems hinder farmers from obtaining
and dissemination	seed for new varieties
	 Unavailability of quality seed and high seed cost
	- Limited access to rural finance for pulse production

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	- Limited processing technologies at the household level;
	is mainly known for making stew served with cereal-
	based meals
Suggestions for addressing the	- Need for information dissemination on GAPs
challenges	- Participation of stakeholders along the value chain in
	technology development and on-farm validation
	- Promoting awareness among farmers about the loss of varietal vigor associated with recycling of saved seed
	- Upscale innovations to reduce production costs
	 Develop value added products – need to strengthen
	linkages between green gram production and
	consumption in local food systems (develop weaner diet)
Lessons learned in up scaling,	- Partnerships are important in technology dissemination
if any	and adoption
	- Increased yield can be achieved through application of
	water harvesting techniques and agro-ecological
	technologies (conservation farming like minimum tillage,
	mulching)
Social, environmental, policy	- Re-establish linkage between green gram production and
and market conditions	consumption -importance in the local diet
necessaryfor development and	- Use of contract management to guarantee consistent
upscaling	supply
	- Increase public-private dialogue to agree on a model that
	will ensure compliance with international standards
	- Provide market information on volume, quality and
	supply consistency requirements
	ble and marginalized groups (VMGs) considerations
Basic costs	Kshs.13,000
Estimated returns	The gross margins under improved management were
Cantaniana	estimated at KES 19,858.80/ha
	- As an early maturing and high yielding variety it will meet
development, dissemination,	the food and nutrition security of the whole household
adoption and scaling up	- It offers a good opportunity for income generation for both men and women
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Gender related opportunities	The technology can benefit men, women and the youth to generate income
VMG issues and concerns in	- The crop is important for food and nutrition security there
development dissemination	is inergiore need to adopt attirmative action targeting the
development, dissemination,	is therefore need to adopt affirmative action targeting the VMGs for dissemination, adoption and consumption
adoption and scaling up	VMGs for dissemination, adoption and consumption
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	company
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	KILIMO trust
	East African Grain Council

Gaps for further researcher:

- 1. Need for mechanization to ease the harvesting Thresher
- 2. Explore bio-control of insect pests white flies and aphids
- 3. Postharvest handling protection against pests e. g rat-proof cages for protection of hermetic bags
- 4. Value added green gram based products formulation of weaner diets

2.1.3 TIMP name	Green gram variety Ndengu Tosha
Category (i.e. technology,	Technology
innovation or management	
practice)	
A: Description of the technology	gy, innovation or management practice
Problem addressed	Low yields
	High demand for green grams
What is it? (TIMP description)	It is an early maturing (65 –70 days), high yielding (1800-2300
	kg/ha (8-10, 90 kg bags/acre) green gram variety. Its
	characteristic features include; cream pod colour when dry and
	shiny green grains. Optimal environmental conditions: The
	green gram variety grows in a wide range of climatic
	conditions. It is a low altitude, warm season crop and can be
	grown from sea level to 1600 m above sea level. The crop is
	also both heat and drought tolerant and thus can be grown in
	both semi-arid and well-watered areas. A warm humid climate
	with temperature ranging from 25- 35 °C, 400-550 mm rainfall,
	well distributed during the growing period is suitable for

cultivation. A wall drained loamy and candy loam coil are best			
	cultivation. A well-drained loamy and sandy loam soil are best for its cultivation. The crop does not grow well in waterlogged		
	soils.		
Justification	ASALs are characterized by frequent droughts. Green grams is		
Justification	a short season legume and can fit into cropping patterns		
	practiced in ASALs (two season cropping). Farmer available		
	varieties are low yielding and late maturing. Conventional		
	varieties however, have small pod sizes and are also small and		
	difficult to harvest. The small seed is undesirable in the market.		
	This early maturing, high yield variety will increase yields and		
	improve livelihoods. Due to their short growing cycle (65-75		
	days), green gram are considered less risk-prone. It is a		
	nutritious warm season crop. The grain is abundant in protein,		
	minerals and vitamins making it an ideal supplement to cereal-		
	based diet which is the best solution to protein-calorie		
	malnutrition. Its starch is easier to digest. It induces less		
	flatulence and is well tolerated by children. Wide adoption of		
	the improved varieties will play an important role in food		
	security, balanced diet and alleviation of poverty.		
	on and scaling up/out approaches		
Users of TIMP	- Farmers		
	- Seed companies/Agro-dealers		
	- Traders/Exporters		
	- Other research organizations/institutions (universities)		
Approaches used in	- Processors Former Participatory Evaluation evergings		
Approaches used in dissemination	Farmer Participatory Evaluation exercisesOn-farm demonstration		
dissemilation	- Field days		
	- Agricultural shows		
	 Farmer to farmer Mass Media –e.g. Mkulima programme on KBC 		
	- Promotional materials (posters/brochures/leaflets)		
Critical/essential factors for	- Need for good seed system to improve seed availability		
successful promotion	and accessibility		
	- Strong linkage among green gram value chain actors from		
	producers to markets		
	- Strong Partnership linkages		
Partners/stakeholders for	- Extension service providers (Public and private) to help in		
scaling up and their roles	the technology dissemination		
	- FAO facilitates in the promotion of the technology and		
	linking farmers to market		
	- ICRISAT –technology dissemination		
	- NGOs: technology dissemination through on-farm		
	demonstrations KILIMO trust capacity building of farmers and linking		
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	- Seed companies –marketing of the technologies		
	- Traders/exporters –marketing of the technology		
	- Processors –For value added products		
	- Public institutions – schools (Providing of the market)		

	- County governments -Help in the dissemination of the		
	technology, Linking farmers to external markets		
C: Current situation and future scaling up			
Counties where already	Isiolo, Machakos, Taita Taveta, Tharaka Nithi, West Pokot,		
promoted, if any	Baringo, Tana River		
Counties where TIMPs will be	Isiolo, Machakos, Taita Taveta, Tharaka Nithi, West Pokot		
upscaled Challenges in development			
Challenges in development and dissemination	 Limited seed systems hinder farmers from obtaining seed for new varieties 		
and dissemination			
	Unavailability of quality seed and high seed costLimited access to rural finance for pulse production		
	- Limited processing technologies at the household level;		
	it is mainly known for making stew served with cereal-		
	based meals		
Suggestions for addressing the	- Need for information dissemination on GAPs		
challenges	- Participation of stakeholders along the value chain in		
	technology development and on-farm validation		
	- Promoting awareness among farmers about the loss of		
	varietal vigour associated with recycling of saved seed		
	- Upscale innovations to reduce production costs		
	- Develop value added products – need to strengthen		
	linkages between green gram production and consumption		
Lessons learned	in local food systems (develop weaner diet)		
Lessons learned	 Partnership is important in technology dissemination and adoption Involvement of end-user in technology development process eliminates the problem of fitting the crop to both 		
	the target environments and users' preferences		
Social, environmental, policy	- Re-establish linkage between green gram production and		
and market conditions	consumption and importance in the local diet		
necessary for development	- Use of contract management to secure supply-side		
and upscaling	conditions guarantee consistent supply		
	- Increase public private dialogue to agree on a model that		
	will ensure compliance with international standards		
	- Provision of improved market information on volume,		
D. Feanomic gonder vulnere	quality and supply consistency requirements		
Basic costs	rable and marginalized groups (VMGs) considerations Kshs. 13,000		
Estimated returns	The gross margins under improved management were		
	estimated at KES 19,858.80/ha		
Gender issues and concerns in	- As an early maturing and high yielding variety it will meet		
development dissemination	•		
adoption and scaling up	- It offers a good opportunity for income generation for both		
	men and women		
Gender related opportunities	The technology can benefit men, women and the youth to		
	generate income		
VMG issues and concerns in	- The crop is important for food and nutrition security there is		
development, dissemination			
adoption and scaling up	VMGs for dissemination, adoption and consumption		

VMG related opportunities	there is therefore need to adopt affirmative action targeting the VMGs for dissemination, adoption and consumption Need for mechanization to ease drudgery at harvesting As an early maturing and high yielding variety it will meet the food and nutrition security of the whole household.			
	- It offers a good opportunity for income generation for both			
	men and women			
	- The crop is rich in protein and folate thus important in improving nutrition and health for the VMGs			
E: Case studies/profiles of suc	ccess stories			
Success stories from previous similar projects				
Application guidelines for users	Guidelines available in extension publications (Green gram pamphlets available at KALRO-Katumani)			
F: Status of TIMP readiness	1-Ready for upscaling			
(1-Ready for upscaling, 2-	2-requires validation,			
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further research)				
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	company - FAO			
	- ICRISAT			
	- KILIMO trust			
	- East African Grain Council			

- Due to the crop's importance for food and nutrition security,

GAPs for further research

- 1. Need for mechanization to ease the harvesting Thresher
- 2. Explore bio-control of insect pests white flies and aphids
- 3. Postharvest handling protection against pests e. g rat-proof cages for protection of hermetic bags
- 4. Value added green gram based products formulation of weaner diets

2.1.4 TIMP name	Green Gram variety Karembo
Category (i.e. technology, innovation or management practice)	

A: Description of the technology, innovation or management practice			
Problem addressed	Low green gram yields		
	- High demand for green grams		
What is it? (TIMP description)	An early maturing (65-75 days), high yielding (1800-2100		
(12112 GGSG11P11311)	kg/ha 8-9, 90 kg bags/acre) green gram variety that is tolerant		
	to major green gram diseases. Its characteristic features		
	include; brown pods, green shiny grains and large seed size (8		
	-10 g/100 seeds). Dry pods are brown in colour and the grain		
	has shiny green colour. Green gram grows in a wide range of		
	climatic conditions. It is a low altitude, warm season crop		
	and can be grown from sea level to 1600 m above sea level.		
	The crop is also both heat and drought tolerant and thus can		
	be grown in both semi-arid and well-watered areas. A warm		
	humid climate with temperature ranging from 25- 35 °C,		
	400-550 mm rainfall, well distributed during the growing		
	period is suitable for cultivation. A well-drained loamy and		
	sandy loam soil are best for its cultivation. The crop does not		
	grow well in waterlogged soils.		
Justification	ASALs are characterized by frequent drought. Farmer		
	available cultivars are low yielding and late maturing. Pod		
	size is also small and difficult to harvest with small seed		
	which are undesirable in the market. This early maturing,		
	high yield variety will increase yields and improve		
	livelihoods. Due to their short growing cycle (65-75 days),		
	green gram are considered less risk-prone. It is a nutritious		
	warm season crop. The grain is abundant in protein, minerals		
	and vitamins making it an ideal supplement to cereal-based		
	diet which is the best solution to protein-calorie		
	malnutrition. Its starch is easier to digest and induces less		
	flatulence and is well tolerated by children. Wide adoption		
	of the improved varieties will play an important role in food		
	security, balanced diet and alleviation of poverty.		
	on and scaling up/out approaches		
Users of TIMP	- Farmers		
	- Seed companies/Agro-dealers		
	- Traders/Exporters		
	Other research organizations/institutions (universities)Processors		
Approaches to be used in			
Approaches to be used in	- Farmer Participatory Evaluation		
dissemination	- On-farm demonstrations		
	Field daysAgricultural shows		
	- Agricultural shows - Farmer to farmer		
	- Mass Media e.g Mkulima programme, Smart Farmer and		
	Seeds of Gold		
	- Promotional materials (posters/brochures/leaflets)		
Critical/essential factors for	- Good seed system to improve seed availability and		
successful promotion - Good seed system to improve seed avail			
successiai promotion	- Strong linkage among green gram value chain actors –		
	producers to market		
	producers to market		

	- Strong partnership linkages
Partners/stakeholders for	- Extension service providers (Public and private) to help
scaling up and their roles	in the technology dissemination
seaming up and then roles	- FAO facilitae in the promotion of the technology and
	linking farmers to market
	- ICRISAT –technology dissemination
	- NGOs: technology dissemination through on-farm
	demonstrations
	- KILIMO trust capacity building of farmers and linking
	farmers to markets and credit facilities
	- Seed companies –marketing of the technologies
	- Traders/exporters – marketing of the technology
	- Processors - For value added products
	- Public institutions – schools (Providing of the market)
	- County governments –Help in the dissemination of the
	technology, Linking farmers to external markets
	teemology, Emking farmers to external markets
C: Current situation and futu	
Counties where already	Machakos, Makueni, Kitui, Tharaka Nithi
promoted if any	
Counties where TIMPs will be	Isiolo, Machakos, Taita Taveta, Tharaka Nithi, West Pokot
upscaled	
Challenges in dissemination	- Limited seed systems hinder farmers from obtaining
	seed for new varieties
	- Unavailability of quality seed and high seed cost
	- Limited access to rural finance for pulse production
	- Limited processing technologies at the household level;
	mainly known for making stew served with cereal-
	based meals
Suggestions for addressing the	- Need for information dissemination on- GAPs
challenges	- Participation of stakeholders along the value chain in
	technology development and on-farm validation
	- Promoting awareness among farmers about the loss of
	varietal vigour associated with recycling of saved seed
	- Upscale innovations to reduce production costs
	- Develop value added products
Lessons learned in up scaling,	- Partnership is important in technology dissemination
if any	and adoption
	- Involvement of end-user in technology development
	process eliminates the problem of fitting the crop to
	both the target environments and users' preferences
Social, environmental, policy	- Counties need to enact favourable policies to regulate
and market conditions	food standards and markets.
necessary for development	- Re-establish linkage between green gram production
and upscaling	and consumption and importance in the local diet
	- Contractual marketing is key enabler towards
	streamlining markets -side conditions guarantee
	consistent supply
	- Increase public private dialogue to agree on a model that
	will ensure compliance with international standards

	- Provision of improved market information on volume,			
quality and supply consistency requirements				
D: Economic, gender, vulnerable and marginalized groups (VMGs) considerations				
Basic costs	Kshs. 13,000			
Estimated returns	The gross margins under improved management were estimated at KES 19,858.80/ha			
Gender issues and concerns in development, dissemination	- As an early maturing and high yielding variety it will meet the food and nutrition security of the whole household			
adoption and scaling up	- As an early maturing and high yielding variety it will meet the food and nutrition security of the whole household			
Gender related opportunities	The technology can benefit men, women and the youth to generate income			
VMG issues and concerns in	- The crop is important for food and nutrition security there			
development and dissemination	 is therefore need to adopt affirmative action targeting the VMGs for dissemination, adoption and consumption Due to the crop's importance for food and nutrition security, there is therefore need to adopt affirmative 			
	action targeting the VMGs for dissemination, adoption and consumption - Need for mechanization to ease drudgery at harvesting			
VMG related opportunities	 As an early maturing and high yielding variety it will meet the food and nutrition security of the whole household. It offers a good opportunity for income generation for both 			
	men and women - The crop is rich in protein and folate thus important in			
	improving nutrition and health for the VMGs			
E: Case studies/profiles of suc				
Success stories from previous similar projects	Samuel Mukosa, an early adopter who is now growing and selling to other farmers in Mbuvo, Makueni county			
Application guidelines for users	Guidelines available in extension publications			
G: Contacts				
F: Status of TIMP readiness	1-Ready for upscaling			
(1-Ready for upscaling, 2-	2-requires validation			
requires validation, 3-requires	- requires (unitablical			
further research)				
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Lead organization and scientists				
Partner organizations	World Vegetable CentreMoALF&I			
	 Seed companies – Dryland seed ltd, East African Seed company FAO 			
	- ICRISAT			
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	- KILIMO trust
	- East African Grain Council

GAPs for further research

- 5. Need for mechanization to ease the harvesting Thresher
- 6. Explore bio-control of insect pests white flies and aphids
- 7. Postharvest handling protection against pests e. g rat-proof cages for protection of hermetic bags
- 8. Value added green gram based products formulation of weaner diets

2.1.2TIMP name	Green gram variety KS 20	
Category (i.e. technology, innovation or management practice)	Technology	
1	gy, innovation or management practice	
Problem addressed	Low yields High demand for green grams	
What is it? (TIMP description)	It is an early maturing (65 -75 days) high yielding (1500 kg/ha (8-9, 90 kg bags/acre) green gram variety that is tolerant to aphids, resistant to yellow mosaic and moderately resistant to powdery mildew. Its characteristic features include; cream pod colour when dry, large seed size (6 g/100 seeds), and dull green grains. Green gram grows in a wide range of climatic conditions. It is a low altitude, warm season crop and can be grown from sea level to 1600 m above sea level. The crop is also both heat and drought tolerant and thus can be grown in both semi-arid and well-watered areas. A warm humid climate with temperature ranging from 25-35 °C, 400-550 mm rainfall, well distributed during the growing period is suitable for cultivation. A well-drained loamy and sandy loam soil are best for its cultivation. The crop does not grow well in waterlogged soils.	
Justification	ASALs are characterized by frequent droughts. Green grams is a short season legume and can fit into cropping patterns practiced in ASALs (two season cropping). Farmer available varieties are low yielding and late maturing. Conventional varieties, however have small pods and small seeds that are difficult to harvest. The small seed is undesirable in the market. This early maturing, high yield, pest and disease tolerant variety will increase yields and improve livelihoods. Due to their short growing cycle (65-75 days), green gram are considered less risk-prone. It is a nutritious warm season crop. The grain is abundant in protein, minerals and vitamins making it an ideal supplement to cereal-based diet which is the best solution to protein-calorie malnutrition. Its starch is easier to digest. It induces less flatulence and is well tolerated by children. Wide adoption of the improved varieties will	

	play an important role in food security, balanced diet and		
	play an important role in food security, balanced diet and		
Users of TIMP	alleviation of poverty Farmers		
Users of Thvir			
	- Seed companies and Agro-dealers		
	- Traders/Exporters		
	- Other research organizations/institutions (universities)		
A 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	- Processors		
Approaches to be used in	- Farmer participatory evaluation		
dissemination	On-farm demonstrationField daysAgricultural shows		
	- Farmer to farmer		
	- Mass Media – Mkulima programme, Smart Farmer and		
	Seeds of Gold		
	- Promotional materials (posters/brochures/leaflets)		
Critical/essential factors for	- Need for good seed system to ensure accessibility		
successful promotion	- Strong linkage among green gram value chain actors –		
	producers to market		
	- Strong Partnership linkages		
Partners/stakeholders for	- SIMLAW Seed Company to provide seed for the variety		
scaling up and their roles	- Extension service providers (Public and private) to help		
	in the technology dissemination		
	- FAO facilitate in the promotion of the technology and		
	linking farmers to market - Processors - County governments –Help in the dissemination of the technology, Linking farmers to external markets		
C: Current situation and futu	nt situation and future scaling up		
Counties where already	Meru, Machakos, Makueni, Kitui, Tharaka Nithi, Baringo		
promoted, if any			
Counties where TIMPs will be	Isiolo, Machakos, Taita Taveta, Tharaka Nithi, West Pokot,		
upscaled	Baringo, Tana River		
Challenges in development	- Limited seed systems hinder farmers from obtaining		
and dissemination	seed for new varieties		
	- Unavailability of quality seed and high seed cost		
	- Limited access to rural finance for pulse production		
	- Limited processing technologies at the household level;		
	is mainly known for making stew served with cereal-		
	based meals		
Suggestions for addressing the			
challenges	- Participation of stakeholders along the value chain in		
Chancingos	technology development and on-farm validation		
	- Promoting awareness among farmers about the loss of		
	varietal vigour associated with recycling of saved seed		
	- Upscale innovations to reduce production costs		
	- Develop value added products – need to strengther		
	linkages between green gram production and		
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	concumption in local food existence (develop vicence dist)		
Laggong lagged in the anality	consumption in local food systems (develop weaner diet)		
Lessons learned in up scaling, if any	 consumption in local food systems (develop weaner diet) Partnership is important in technology dissemination and adoption 		

	- Involvement of end-user in technology development	
	process eliminates the problem of fitting the crop to both	
	the target environments and users' preferences	
Social, environmental, policy		
and market conditions	consumption -importance in the local diet	
necessaryfor development and	- Use of contract management to guarantee consistent	
upscaling	supply	
	- Increase public-private dialogue to agree on a model that	
	will ensure compliance with international standards	
	- Provide market information on volume, quality and	
	supply consistency requirements	
D: Economic, gender, vulnera	ble and marginalized groups (VMGs) considerations	
Basic costs	Kshs.13,000	
Estimated returns	The gross margins under improved management were	
	estimated at KES 19,858.80/ha	
Gender issues and concerns in	- As an early maturing and high yielding variety it will meet	
development and	the food and nutrition security of the whole household	
dissemination	- It offers a good opportunity for income generation for both	
	men and women	
	- As an early maturing and high yielding variety it will meet	
	the food and nutrition security of the whole household	
Gender related opportunities	- The technology can benefit men, women and the youth to	
	generate income	
VMG issues and concerns in	- The crop is important for food and nutrition security there	
development and	is therefore need to adopt affirmative action targeting the	
dissemination	VMGs for dissemination, adoption and consumption	
	- Due to the crop's importance for food and nutrition	
	security, there is therefore need to adopt affirmative	
	action targeting the VMGs for dissemination, adoption	
	and consumption	
	- Need for mechanization to ease drudgery at harvesting	
VMG related opportunities	- As an early maturing and high yielding variety it will meet	
	the food and nutrition security of the whole household.	
	- It offers a good opportunity for income generation for both	
	men and women	
	- The crop is rich in protein and folate thus important in	
	improving nutrition and health for the VMGs	
E: Case studies/profiles of suc	ecess stories	
Success stories from previous		
similar projects		
Application guidelines for		
users		
F: Status of TIMP readiness	1-Ready for upscaling	
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further research)		
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Partner	organizations		County Governments	

GAPs for further research

- 1. Need for mechanization to ease the harvesting Thresher
- 2. Explore bio-control of insect pests white flies and aphids
- 3. Postharvest handling protection against pests e. g rat-proof cages for protection of hermetic bags
- 4. Value added green gram based products formulation of weaner diets

2.2 Integrated Pest Management

2.2.1 TIMP name	Integrated Pest Management of white flies
Category (i.e. technology,	Management practice
innovation or management	
practice)	
A: Description of the technology	gy, innovation or management practice
Problem addressed	Yield loss and low grain quality due to white fly damage
What is it? (TIMP description)	Integrated pest management (IPM) involves the combination
	of chemical, biological and cultural control methods
	Cultural control: Rotation of green gram with non-host crop
	(cereals)
	Biological: Use of predators, use yellow sticky traps at the rate
	of 10-12 traps/ha to trap. The white flies traps are hanged
	slightly above the canopy level
	Chemical: Use of insecticides
Justification	Pests are major constraint in green gram production causing
	significant grain losses. IPM is an environment friendly
	approach to pest management which will help alleviate yield
	losses due to pest infestation and damage.
	on and scaling up/out approaches
Users of TIMP	- Farmers,
	- extension officers
	- Research organizations and universities
Approaches used to be used in	- Extension publications
dissemination	- On-farm demonstrations
	- Farmer field days
	- Farmer training
	- Agricultural shows and exhibitions
	- Farmer to farmer training
Critical/essential factors for	- Strong partnership linkages
successful promotion	- Suitability of the TIMP to the agro climatic and socio-
	economic condition of the farmer e.g. Affordable
	mechanized tools will be easy to promoted (use of planter,
	oxen-drawn plough to make ridges)
	- Accessibility of the TIMP by the farmers

Partners/stakeholders for scaling up and their roles	 Extension service providers (Public and private) to help in the dissemination FAO to facilitate promotion NGOs: technology dissemination through on-farm demonstrations; capacity building of farmers County governments –Help in the dissemination of the technology
C: Current situation and futu	re scaling up
Counties where already	-
promoted, if any	
Counties where TIMPs will be upscaled	Isiolo, Machakos, Taita Taveta, Tharaka Nithi, West Pokot, Baringo, Tana River
Challenges in dissemination	Farmers are less receptive especially on aspects of intercropping to manage pests e.g. push-pull technologies for pest management
Suggestions for addressing the challenges	Training on integrated pest management practices
Lessons learned in up scaling, if any	 More than one approach is used in management of insect (white fly) IPM is environment friendly and the chemical component should be used as the last resort Need for farmer involvement in helping generate locally
	specific techniques and solutions suitable for their particular farming systems and integrating control components that are ecologically sound and readily available to them e.g. Use of Indigenous Traditional Knowledge (ITK) in control of both field and storage pests.
Social, environmental, policy and market conditions necessary for development and up scaling	 Understanding the physical and biotic environment in target ecologies; understanding community culture, preferences, and practices Training on IPM to increase awareness of IPM and reduce possible negative impact on the environment resulting from wrong application of IPM Market able to absorb increased supply of grain
	ble and marginalized groups (VMGs) considerations
Basic costs Estimated returns	Kshs. 13,000
	The gross margins under improved management were estimated at KES 19,858.80/ha
Gender issues and concerns in development, dissemination adoption and scaling up	 The management practice reduces the production costs therefore women can afford to produce the technology IPM protocols will not overburden any gender in implementation and are therefore has potential for adoption by both gender.
Gender related opportunities	 Opportunities for youth employment in implementing IPM protocols Opportunities in marketing pest traps

VMG issues and concerns in	The management practice reduces the production costs
development and	therefore women can afford to produce the technology
dissemination	
VMG related opportunities	The technology can improve food and nutrition security and a
	window for increased income.
E: Case studies/profiles of suc	ccess stories
Success stories	-
Application guidelines for	Extension publications not yet developed
users	
F: Status of TIMP readiness	1-Ready for upscaling
(1-Ready for upscaling, 2-	2-requires validation
requires validation, 3-requires	3-requires further research
further research)	
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Partner organizations	- Extension service providers (Public and private)
	- FAO
	- NGOs:

23 Integrated Disease Management

2.3.1 TIMP name	Integrated Disease Management
Category (i.e. technology,	Management practice
innovation or management	
practice)	
A: Description of the technology	ogy, innovation or management practice
Problem addressed	Yield loss and low grain quality due to disease
What is it? (TIMP description)	Integrated disease management (IDM) involves the
	combination of chemical and cultural control methods

	Chemical: Use of fungicides
	Cultural control: Rotation of green gram with non-legume,
T 10	field hygiene, use of clean seed
Justification	Diseases (Green gram yellow mosaic disease, bacterial blight,
	powdery mildew, and anthracnose) are major constraints in
	green gram production causing significant grain losses both in
	terms of quantity and quality. Majority of the diseases are
	seed-borne and therefore very common in areas where farmers
	recycle their own saved seed. IDM is an environmental
	friendly approach to disease management which will help
D. A	alleviate yield losses due to disease damage.
	on and scaling up/out approaches
Users of TIMP	- Farmers
	- Extension Agents (Public and Private)
	- Research organizations and universities
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Approaches used to be used in dissemination	Extension publicationsOn-farm demonstrations
dissemilation	F 6' 11 1
	- Farmer field days - Farmer training
	- Agricultural shows and exhibitions
	- Farmer to farmer training
Critical/essential factors for	- Strong partnership linkages
successful promotion	- Need for farmer involvement helps generate locally
successful promotion	specific techniques and solutions suitable for their
	particular farming systems and integrating control
	components that are ecologically sound and readily
	available to them e.g. Use of Indigenous Traditional
	Knowledge (ITK) can be promoted and adopted faster.
	- Accessibility and cost of the practice by farmers: low-cost
	agricultural practices are easily promoted and accepted
Partners/stakeholders for	- Extension service providers (Public and private) to help in
scaling up and their roles	the dissemination
seaming up and then roles	- FAO to facilitate promotion
	- NGOs: technology dissemination through on-farm
	demonstrations; capacity building of farmers
	- County governments –Help in the dissemination of the
	technology
C: Current situation and futu	
Counties where already	-
promoted, if any	
Counties where TIMPs will be	Isiolo, Machakos, Taita Taveta, Tharaka Nithi, West Pokot,
upscaled	Baringo, Tana River
Challenges in dissemination	Farmers are not receptive to cultural methods of managing
	diseases e.g. Crop rotation is difficult to implement for farmers
	with small land holdings and limited economic resources.
	Majority of the diseases are seed borne ant thus use of recycled
	seed limits their control

Suggestions for addressing the	Training on integrated disease management practices (use of
challenges	clean seed, field sanitation, crop rotation) in managing seed
	borne diseases
Lessons learned in up scaling, if any	 More than one approach is used in management of major diseases IDM is environment friendly and the chemical component should be used as the last resort Participatory, farmer-centered approaches, which encourage farmers to participate in the innovation process and the facilitation of experimentation among farmer communities in the evaluation of the technology enhances technology adoption IDM approaches are knowledge intensive and location-specific, farmers would need to understand the agroecological processes affecting the disease to be able to make informed decisions on how to manage crop to avoid disease occurrence, as well as how to manage the diseases once they become a problem. This will require a capacity building on error monitoring and application principles.
Social, environmental, policy and market conditions necessary for development and up scaling	 building on crop monitoring and ecological principles. understanding the physical and biotic environment in target ecologies; understanding community culture, preferences, and practices Training on IDM to increase awareness of IDM and reduce possible negative impact on the environment resulting from wrong application of IDM Market able to absorb increased supply of grain
D. Faanamia gandar vulnara	- Market able to absorb increased supply of grain
Basic costs	ble and marginalized groups (VMGs) considerations
Estimated returns	
Gender issues and concerns in development, dissemination adoption and scaling up	 The management practice reduces the production costs and therefore women can afford to produce green grams IDM protocols will not overburden any gender in implementation and are therefore has potential for adoption by both gender. Setting of traps may create income generation opportunity for the youth
Gender related opportunities	 Opportunities for youth employment in implementing IDM protocols Opportunities in marketing pest traps
VMG issues and concerns in development, dissemination adoption and scaling up	The management practice reduce the production costs therefore VMG's can afford to produce green grams
VMG related opportunities	The technology can improve food and nutrition security and a window for increased income.
E: Case studies/profiles of suc	cess stories
Success stories	-
Application guidelines for users	Extension publications not yet developed

F: Status of TIMP readiness	1-Ready for upscaling
(1-Ready for upscaling, 2-	2-requires validation
requires validation, 3-requires	
further research)	
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Partner organizations	- Extension service providers
	- FAO
	- NGOs
	- County governments
	- Help in the dissemination of the technology,

Research Gaps:

1. Explore Bio-control option for pests and diseases

2.4 Fertility Management

2.4.1 TIMP Name	Integrated soil fertility management (ISFM)
Category (i.e. technology,	Management practice
innovation or management	
practice)	
A: Description of the technology	, innovation or management practice
Problem addressed	Declining and low crop productivity due to declining soil
	fertility, water scarcity. Continuous cultivation with
	limited input use has greatly decreased the inherent soil
	fertility which is a fundamental impediment to agricultural
	growth and food production. Fertilizer tend to be
	expensive, unavailable and unaffordable for the
	smallholder farmers. Intercropping green gram and cereals
	provides farmers with alternatives to diversify their
	farming systems and improve soil fertility through
	nitrogen fixation.
What is it? (TIMP description)	A set of soil fertility management practices that include the
	use of fertilizer, organic inputs, intercropping and rotations
	aiming at optimizing use efficiency of the applied nutrients
	and improving crop productivity

Justification	Reduced soil fertility as a result of soil degradation due to
	past management by farmers has a major negative influence
	on crop productivity. These challenges call for an
	integrated soil fertility management technology that
	combines appropriate interventions on soil management,
	fertilizer use and crop agronomy to drive the main outputs
	of increased yield and productivity.
B: Assessment of dissemination	and seeling un/out approaches
Users of TIMP	Farmers
1 1	- Extension publications
dissemination	- On-farm demonstrations
	- Training workshops
	- Farmer field schools/farmer days
	- Farmer participatory evaluation
	- On-farm demonstration
	- Field days
	- Agricultural shows and exhibitions
	- Farmer to farmer
	- Mass Media – e.g. Mkulima programme, Smart Farmer
	and Seeds of Gold
Critical/essential factors for	- Availability of affordable and quality manure, fertilizers
successful promotion	- Local adaptation of ISFM to account for variability
	between farms
	- Production resources available (i.e. land, access to
	financing, labour, crop residues and animal manures)
	that different farming families invest in the fields in their
	farm.
	- Availability of varieties that are compatible with
	associated crops
	- Effective multiplication and distribution of improved
	planting materials of these varieties
	- Document appropriate times of planting the intercrops,
	fertilizer rates and regimes
	- Provide appropriate planting patterns
	- Availability of appropriate machinery for key tasks such
	as planting, weeding fertilizing and harvesting.
	- Strong partnership linkages
Partners/stakeholders for scaling	- Extension service providers (Public and private –
up and their roles	Capacity building on importance of ISFM on green
	gram production
	- County governments – Capacity building
	- Farmer groups - Providing farms for on-farm
	demonstrations
	- MoALF&I –Extension services
C: Current situation and future	scaling up
Counties where already	Machakos, Makueni, Kitui Tharaka Nithi, Meru, Machakos
promoted, if any	

Counties where TIMPs will be	Isiolo, Machakos, Taita Taveta, Tharaka Nithi, West Pokot,
upscaled	Baringo, Tana River
Challenges in dissemination	- Lack of locally tested and adapted ISFM technologies
	that are site specific and value chain based
	- High cost especially in areas where application of ISFM
	is non- responsive
	- Misconceptions that chemical fertilizer damage the soils
	- Lopsided customary beliefs that have pushed female
	gender & youths to periphery regarding access and
	ownership of land for production.
	- Limited access to clean planting materials of these crops
	that are compatible with associated crops - Lack of site-specific value chain based
	manuals/extension material
	manuals/extension material
Suggestions for addressing the	- Develop site specific and value chain based ISFM
challenges	technologies
	- Training and awareness creation on benefits of
	judicious fertilizer applications and to dispel false
	misconceptions
	- Gender friendly mechanization (Conservation
	Agriculture (CA) equipments) be integrated to scale CA
	adoption to beyond 10%
	 Innovation by Youth need to be captured and scaled up Affordability of certified inputs –e.g. use of rippers
	- In conservation Agriculture there is competition between
	mulch for soil cover and feed for livestock
	- Letting loose livestock into ripped fields often leading
	to compaction
Lessons learned in up scaling, if	- Soil &Water management works and is important in the
any	marginal areas Low adoption is reported to be due to of lack of site
	specific and value chain based ISFM technologies and
	the technicalities involved in the whole process of the
	implementation
	- Crop rotation is a technology that is adopted widely.
	Adoption depends on: different farmer goals and
	objectives.
	- Limited skills especially on control of pest and diseases
	through intercropping. More awareness and training
Social anyimonmental relieves	programs are required
Social, environmental, policy and market conditions necessary for	- Socially acceptable by farmers and environment friendly
development and up scaling	- Increased yields will be absorbed by the markets
at tropinent and up bearing	- Increased supply will not lower prices
	- Enabling policy frameworks to support development
	and adoption of the management practice
D: Economic, gender, vulnerabl	e and marginalized groups (VMGs) considerations
Basic costs	Not done

Estimated returns	Not done
Gender issues and concerns in	The management practice increases productivity therefore
development, dissemination	both gender can benefit from the increased production
adoption and scaling up	both gender can benefit from the increased production
Gender related opportunities	Since the management practice increases productivity, both
Gender related opportunities	gender can benefit from the increased income
VMG issues and concerns in	
	- Through application of ISFM, VMG's can benefit from
development, dissemination	increased green gram production therefore raising their
adoption and scaling up	incomes
VMG related opportunities	The technology can improve food and nutrition security and a window for increased income.
E: Case studies/profiles of succe	
Success stories from previous similar projects	- Reports from SIMLESA have shown that farmers have increased yield and reduced production risk by 30 %. For instance a farmer was able to increase yield from
	six 90 kg bags in one acre to 30-35 bags from the same one acre through use of CA- retaining crop residue and use of herbicides for weeding.
	- Youth integration into CA e.g. service provision and value addition has started bearing fruit in Makueni County and requires scaling up to capitalize on their numbers.
Application guidelines for users	Manual available The ISFM definition places emphasis on the importance of using often scarce resources like fertilizer and organic inputs efficiently i.e. 1. Fertilizer banding: field application of fertilizer directly in area of root-zone to increase the potential for uptake 2. Micro-dosing: applying small quantities of fertilizer to the seed at planting and a few weeks after emergence
F: Status of TIMP readiness (1-	1-Ready for upscaling
Ready for upscaling, 2-requires	2-Requires validation
validation, 3-requires further	2 Requires variation
research)	
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2.5 Agronomic practices

2.5.1 TIMP name	Good Agronomic Practices -Spacing
Category (i.e. technology,	Management practice
innovation or management	
practice)	

A: Description of the technology	, innovation or management practice	
Problem addressed	Low productivity, drought due to poor crop husbandly (planting	
	method, plant population)	
What is it? (TIMP description)	Good Agronomic Practices are a set of management guidelines	
what is it? (Thir description)	applicable to crop production, harvesting and storage. They range	
	from seed selection, planting, crop management and harvesting	
Justification	Low grain yield is attributed to poor cultivation techniques/agronomic	
Justification	management practices (poor spacing). Most of the farmers plant by	
	broadcasting or drilling the seed which is never thinned making	
	weeding, crop management and harvest more labour intensive and	
	significantly reduce crop productivity and economic return. Use of	
	recommended spacing is advantageous as it requires less seed, ensures	
	optimum plant population, high yield and quality grain/seed.	
	Controlling plant populations ensures optimum use of nutrients.	
B: Assessment of dissemination	and scaling up/out approaches	
Users of TIMP	- Farmers	
	- Research organizations and universities	
	- Extension Agents (Public and Private)	
Approaches used in	- On-farm demonstrations,	
dissemination	- Farmer field schools	
	- Training in workshops	
Critical/essential factors for	- Capacity building on the importance of GAPs	
successful promotion		
Partners/stakeholders for scaling	County government extension services, farmer groups	
up		
C: Current situation and future	<u> </u>	
Counties where already	Tharaka Nithi, Machakos	
promoted, if any Counties where TIMPs will be	Isiolo, Machakos, Taita Taveta, Tharaka Nithi, West Pokot, Baringo,	
up scaled	Tana River	
Challenges in dissemination	- Limited knowledge on importance of correct crop spacing	
Chancinges in dissemination	- Lack of specific mechanised planters	
Suggestions for addressing the	- Information dissemination - GAPs	
challenges	- Participation of producers in on-farm activities/extension activities	
Chancinges	- Promoting awareness among farmers on the importance of Good	
	Agronomic Practices for improved crop productivity	
Lessons learned in up scaling, if	Alternative method (mechanization - planter) may lessen the work	
any	Capacity building and awareness campaign on GAPs are required	
Social, environmental, policy	- Commodity is socially acceptable	
and market conditions necessary	- Conducive environment for production of green grams	
for development and up scaling	- Ability of market to absorb increased productivity	
	- Supporting frameworks and policies are available	
D: Economic, gender, vulnerable and marginalized groups (VMGs) considerations		
Basic costs	To be determined	
Estimated returns	To be determined	

Gender issues and concerns in	The management practice is meant to increase the productivity	
development, dissemination	therefore both gender can benefit from the increased production	
adoption and scaling up		
Gender related opportunities	Since the management practice increases productivity, both gender can	
	benefit from the increased income	
VMG issues and concerns in	Application of the management practice will lead to increased green	
development, dissemination	gram production and increased income	
adoption and scaling up		
VMG related opportunities	The increased production will provide VMGs with better income,	
	increased food and nutrition security	
E: Case studies/profiles of success stories		
Success stories from previous	-	
similar projects		
F: Status of TIMP readiness	Ready for upscaling	
(1-Ready for upscaling, 2-	Requires further research (testing for location specific spacing)	
requires validation, 3-requires		
further research)		
Application guidelines for users	Brochures available	
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2.5 Soil and Moisture conservation

2.5.1TIMP Name	Improved Tied Ridges	
Category (i.e. technology,	Technology	
innovation or management practice)		
A: Description of the technology, innovation or management practice		
Problem addressed	- Crop failure due to water scarcity/inadequate moisture/rainfall	
	- Increased water losses in the furrows	
What is it? (TIMP description)	Tied-ridges are soil and moisture conservation structures that involve the construction of small rectangular basins formed within the furrow of cultivated fields mainly to harvest and increase storage of rain water and allow more time for rainfall to infiltrate the soil. The stored water is used by the plants for a longer period of time better than it can be used in a situation of runoff. The Technology consist of water flowing down the small trenches/furrows running parallel and infiltrates into crop root zones.	
Justification	Drought is the greatest abiotic constraint to increasing agricultural productivity in Kenyan ASALs hence	

	threatening food security. The areas are characterized by low erratic rainfall (annual rainfall of 250-800 mm) which is uneven and poorly distributed leading to crop failure. The supplementation of water for crops during the dry spell becomes an obvious advantage. This supplementation can be made possible through successful water harvesting a technique of collecting and managing rainwater runoff to increase water availability for agricultural use through use of improved water harvesting techniques. Tied-ridges techniques increases soil moisture and plant growth when there is inadequate rainfall thus enhancing household food security, incomes and livelihoods.
B: Assessment of dissemination and	scaling up/out approaches
Users of TIMP	- Farmers
	Extension Service Providers (Private and Public)Researchers
Approaches used in dissemination	- Farmer participatory evaluation
	- Field demonstration
	- Field days
	- Agricultural shows
	- Farmer to farmer
	- Mass Media – e.g. Mkulima programme, Smart Farmer
	and Seeds of Gold
	- Extension publications (posters/ brochures/leaflets)
Critical/essential factors for	- Water source and mainly areas close to permanent rivers,
successful promotion	- Topography of area (level land)
Dortners/stelzeholders for seeling up	- Capacity for maintenance Extension service providers (Public and private)
Partners/stakeholders for scaling up and their roles	- Extension service providers (Public and private – Capacity building on importance of ISFM on green gram
and then foles	production
	- County governments –Capacity building
	- Farmer groups – Providing farms for on-farm
	demonstrations
	- MoALF&I –Extension services
C. Cumont situation and future	
C: Current situation and future sca	Presently practiced by farmers living along sites with
Counties where already promoted, if	sufficient water resource such Tana River (Galana), Baringo
any	(Pekerra) etc.
Counties where TIMPs will be	Isiolo, Machakos, Taita Taveta, Tharaka Nithi, West Pokot,
upscaled	Baringo, Tana River
Challenges in dissemination	- Can be Labour intensive during establishment phase
Charlenges in dissemination	- Poor management may lead to water inefficiencies
Recommendations for addressing	Capacity building and awareness creation among target
the challenges	farmers on benefits of the technology
Lessons learned	- Furrow irrigation significantly increases yields
	- Poor management and designs may often result in flooding
	of low areas
	- Assessment of soil erosion and sediment is key to successful
	commercial production

	 Increased yield can be achieved through use of tied ridges in ASALs
	- Adoption of the techniques is influenced by the socio- economic factors
	- Labour availability influence the adoption of water harvesting techniques.
	- Water harvesting leads to better crop yield, increasing
	household food security and enabling households to
	generate greater income
Social, environmental, policy and	- Women get opportunities to improve the production, as
market conditions necessary for	they are responsible for agricultural activities and water
development and upscaling	supply.
	- The technology reduces/ameliorates the degradation of
	environment by farming activities and weather (rainfall)
	- Environmentally, no significant adverse impacts linked
	to this technology.
	- Enabling policies and guidelines regarding water
	abstraction from the main river to minimize resource
	conflicts especially along river downstream.
	- Market for the crops produced under irrigation is
D. Foonemie, gender zulnereble er	available and can absorb the increased produce
Basic costs	 ad marginalized groups (VMGs) considerations The main costs are related to building furrows.
Estimated returns	 The main costs are related to building furrows. Farmers significantly increase yields stemming from
Estimated returns	management of crop water stress
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Gender issues and concerns in	Improved Tied Ridges increases crop production and
development, dissemination	therefore both gender can benefit from the increased income
adoption and scaling up	
Gender related opportunities	The technology is meant to increase the productivity
	therefore both gender can benefit from the increased household income
VMG issues and concerns in	
development, dissemination	The technology is aimed increasing production and therefore providing food and nutrition security and a window for
adoption and scaling up	increased income.
VMG related opportunities	The increased production will provide VMGs with better
vivio related opportunities	income, increased food and nutrition security
E: Case studies/profiles of success s	
Success stories	There are successful model for such technology i.e. Mwea
	and Pekerra irrigation schemes where furrow irrigation
	systems have provided opportunities for local community to
	produce high value crops. A sound understanding of the
	roles and responsibilities of farmers and water user
	associations is a feature of successful system.
Application guidelines for users	Guidelines (manuals) available at KALRO-Katumani
F: Status of TIMP readiness (1-	1-Ready for upscaling
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validation, 3-requires further	
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Research Gaps:
1. Studies on green gram cropping patterns in intercropping systems for optimal production