

Partnership for Delivery (P4D)

CocoaSoils design



RESEARCH FOR DEVELOPMENT:

generate extra knowledge in relation to cocoa intensification

National and international research agencies with companies adopting trials

PARTNERSHIP FOR DEVELOPMENT:

facilitating access to knowledge by cocoa farmers

Public and private dissemination networks



Develop understanding on soil fertility and nutrition needs of the cocoa tree to gain Integrated Soil Fertility Management (ISFM) recommendations





Leverage existing private and public sector network to test and disseminate ISFM recommendations





Increased productivity of cocoa farms and efficient use of agricultural inputs lead to improved rural livelihoods of cocoa farmers across West- and Central Africa

Common

implementatio

Shared database

Analysis

Extension tools

Testing training tools & methodologies

Role of partners



Local National Authorities

- Provide Guidance according to local policies
- Adapt local rules to new research recommendations
- Facilitate dissemination in the country

Private sector

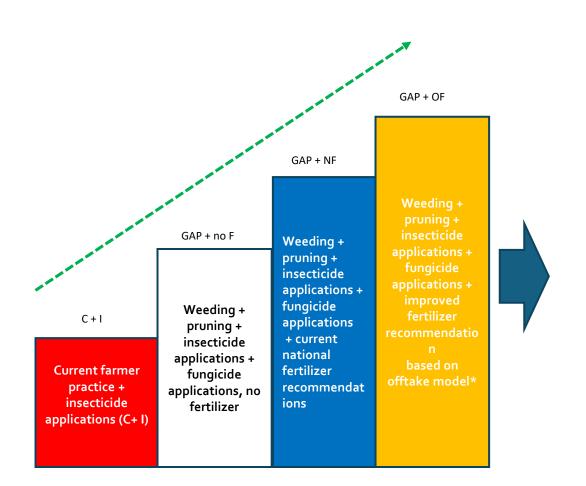
- Support research activities through Core and Satellites Trials
- Ensure training and follow up of farmers through existing networks

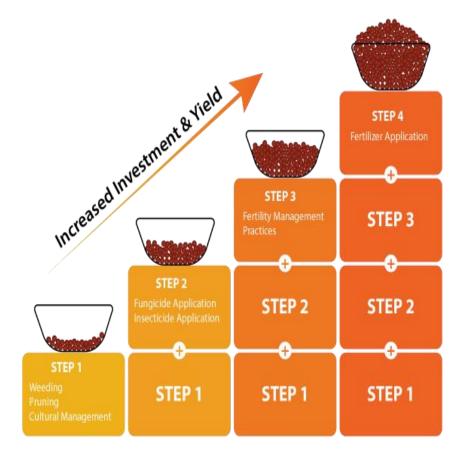
Farmers

- Provide feedback on research recommendations
- Implement new techniques on ISFM and GAPs

Stepwise approach

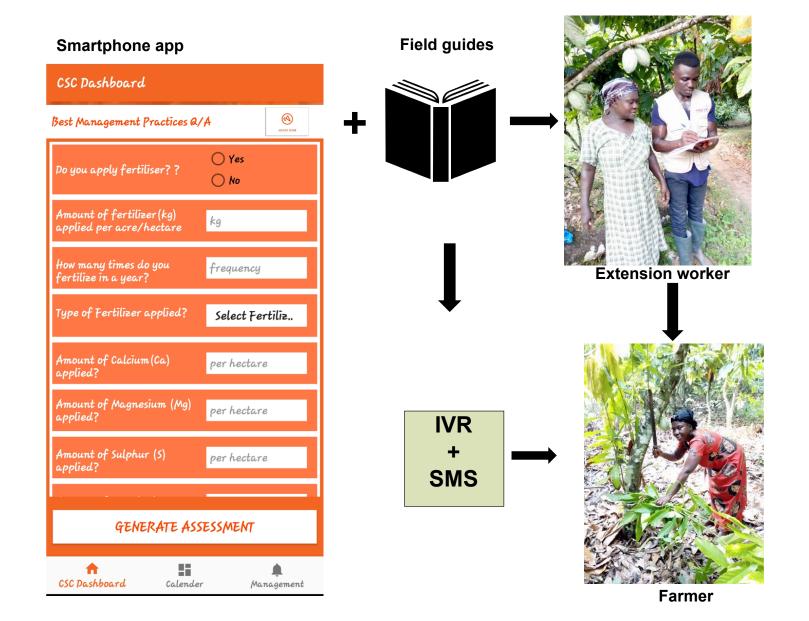






Agronomy advisory tool





Consortium partners











(Co)-funders





National Agricultural Research Centers









International Research Centers







Industry Partners































Knowledge, perception, and willingness to pay for cocoa rehabilitation in Ghana – leveraging CGIAR's Regional Initiative for planning

P4D Team
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Context



• The Transforming AgriFood Systems in West and Central Africa (TAFS-WCA) initiative of the CGIAR is an initiative which is focused on food and nutrition security and making agri-food systems more climate resilient in West and Central Africa

• Overall, the Initiative seeks to enhance access to quality seed of nutrient-dense crop varieties, climate-smart agricultural practices (GAP), and technologies to reduce post-harvest losses, and to see how these have positive impacts on food, nutrition, and health security

- Areas: Cocoa based farming system, rice-based systems, fish, vegetables, cassava, yam
- Partners in Ghana: KKFU, Ofi, Barry Callebaut, Cargill, Mondelez, Rockwinds/Transroyal

Context



- Cocoa based farming system in the agrarian landscape covers about 4.3 million ha of arable land in Ghana (1.5 Mil), Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, and Nigeria
- In Ghana Plans are underway to rehabilitate about 400,000 ha of unproductive cocoa farms
- The huge yield gap has been attributed to aging cocoa trees and diseases mainly the CSSVD

objectives



- The reconnaisance survey was carried out in Ghana to identify partners and farmers qualified for rehabilitation of their unproductive cocoa farms;
- The aim is to profile a sample of these farmers for a first-hand knowledge of their condition and obtain their views on rehabilitation and identify potential bottle necks.
- To help ascertain their Knowledge, perception and willingness to pay for cocoa rehabilitation

context











Methodology

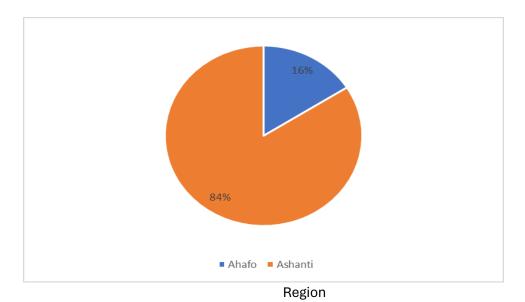
- The study adopted the mixed method approach of survey where both qualitative and quantitative questions were asked to obtain relevant information from farmers
- Project partners
 presented their
 respective communities
 and cocoa farmers that
 have aged and diseased
 cocoa farms to be
 interviewed as
 prospective
 beneficiaries of the
 initiative

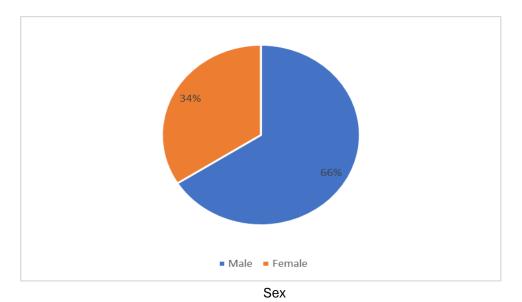


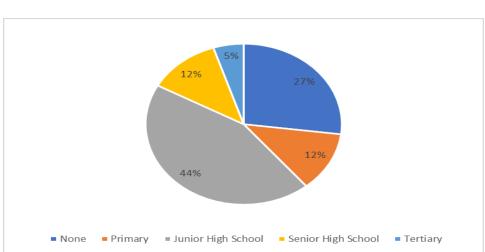
Region	District	Number of Communities	Number of Farmers	Partners Present
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Ashanti	Asante Akyim	8	34	KKFU/Barry
	South			Callebaut
	Afigya Kwabre	3	23	KKFU/Barry
				Callebaut
	Adansi South	3	41	KKFU
	Ejisu Juabeng	3	10	KKFU
	Ahafo Ano South	15	110	KKFU/Barry
				Callebaut /Ofi
	Atwima Mponua	12	87	Cargill/
				KKFU/Barry
				Callebaut
	Amansie West	4	18	Mondelez
				International
	Amansie South	1	9	Mondelez
				International
	Bekwai	4	39	KKFU/Barry
				Callebaut
	Obuasi	1	25	KKFU
Ahafo	Asunafo North	12	58	KKFU/Barry
				Callebaut
				/Rockwinds
	Tano North	4	20	Barry Callebaut
Total	12	70	494	6

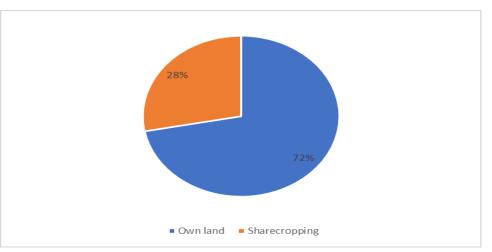
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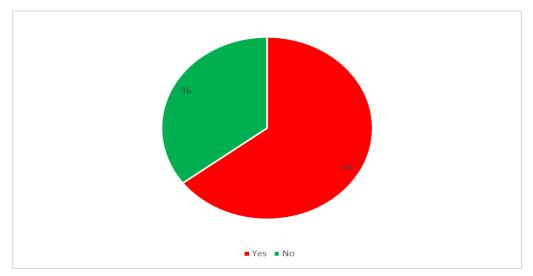


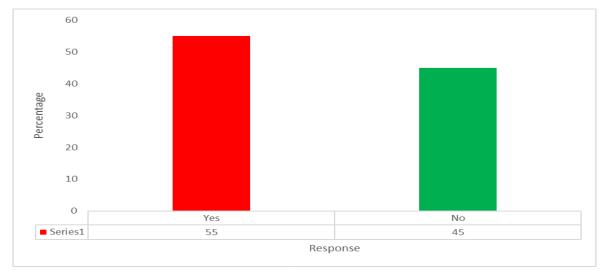


Educational Status Land holding

Productivity challenges

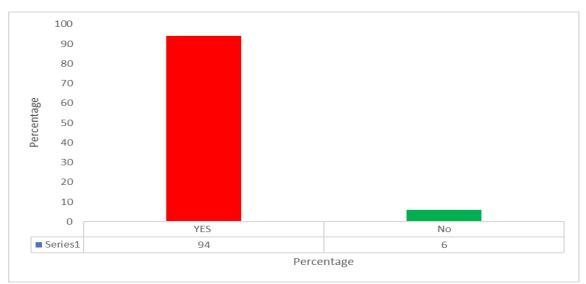






Aged Cocoa farm (>30 years)

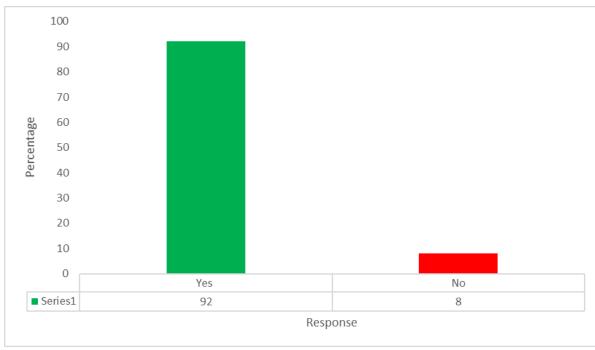
Presence of disease and pest on cocoa farm



Low cocoa farm productivity observed for the past 5-10 years

Decision to rehabilitate





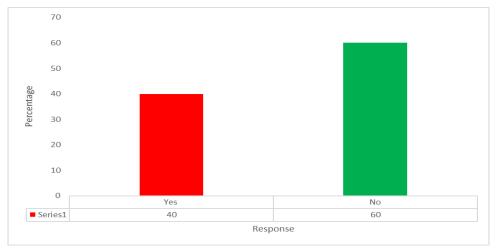
Decision to rehabilitate cocoa farm

Average cocoa farm size(ha)	Average plot farmers are willing to rehabilitate (ha)	Minimum farm size farmers are willing to rehabilitate (ha)	Maximum farm size farmers are willing to rehabilitate (ha)	Total farm size committed to rehabilitatio n by farmers (ha)
3.7	1.5	0.2	18	743.1

Decision to rehabilitate cocoa farm

Land use





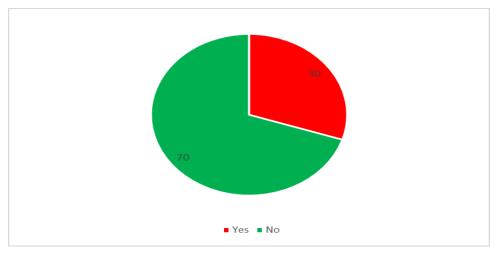
32

63

Plant of Cocoa Plant other Crops Undecided

Possession of fallow land by farmer

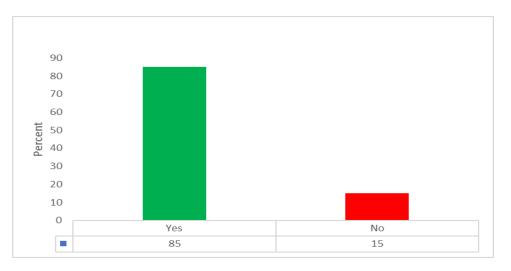
Farmers plan for fallow Land



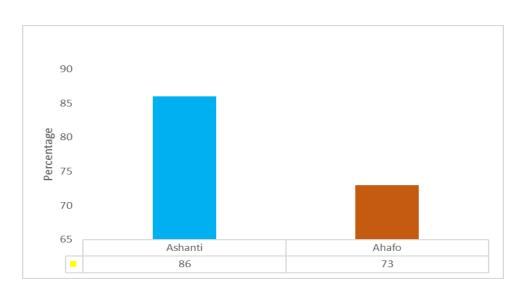
Presence of forest in community

Knowledge on cocoa rehabilitation





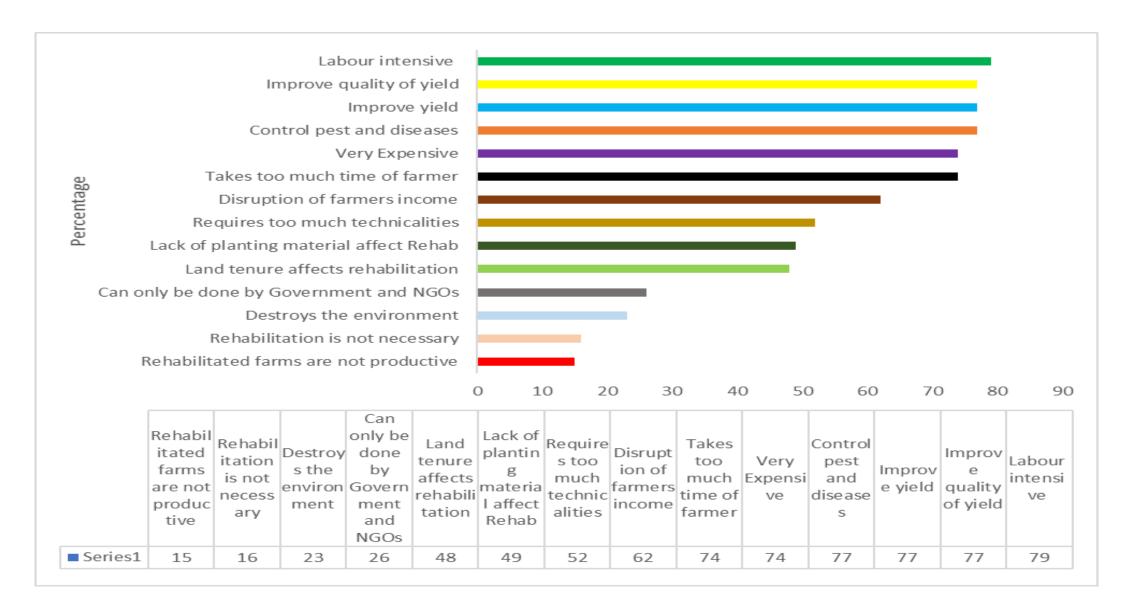
Knowledge about cocoa rehabilitation



32%
68%

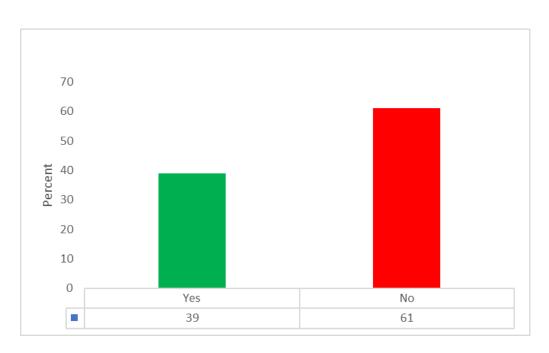
Knowledge & Perception about cocoa rehabilitation



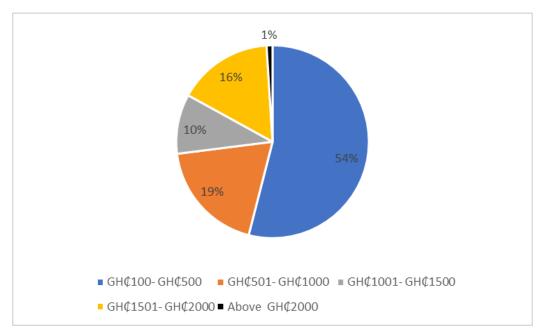


Willingness to pay for rehabilitation services





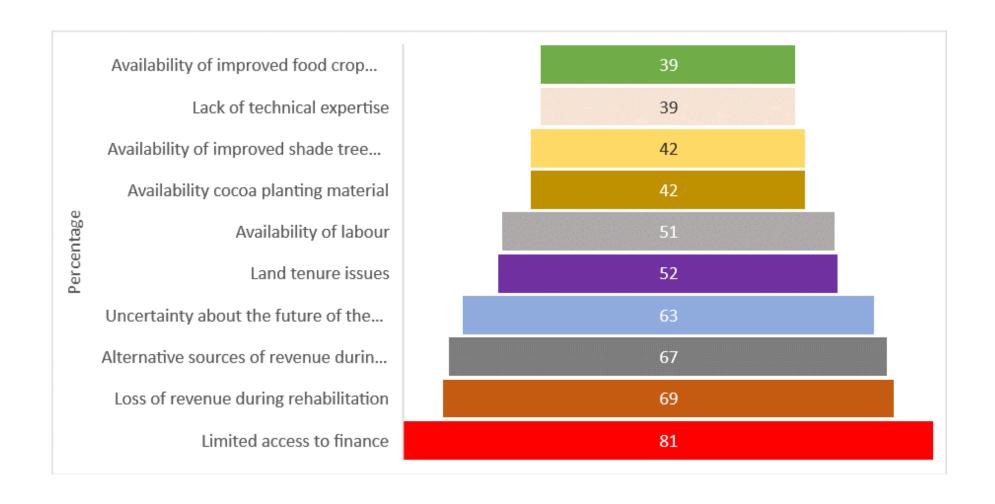
Willing to pay or not for Rehabilitation



Amount farmers are willing to pay

Challenges to practice of cocoa rehabilitation





Conclusion



- There is high level of awareness and knowledge among male farmers on rehabilitation
- Farmers see rehabilitation to be labour intensive, expensive and time-consuming venture even though they appreciate the fact that it helps to improve the quality and quantity of cocoa yield.
- Farmers are willing to commit about GH\$\psi\$100- GH\$\psi\$500 per acre to cocoa rehabilitation on their farms.
- The most pressing challenge to rehabilitation among farmers is limited access to finance to implement the activities



