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Actions

Collective Actions for Economic Activities

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A special type of outcome is the extent to which farmers or producers undertook collective actions. The below table presents the numbers of WMG members who participated in Collective Action for Economic Activities (BGP Tracker till June 2019)

Activity	Male	Female	Total	% of female	Capital investment
Bulking	160	305	465	66%	457,950
Collection & sale of milk at chilling center	33	15	48	31%	11,250
Community-led fish culture	1,289	592	1,881	31%	5,305,340
Irrigation of Ag. Land	1,451	211	1,662	13%	1,310,460
Purchase of fertilizer	7,671	1,412	9,083	16%	6,796,835
Purchase of fingerling	1,944	626	2,570	24%	2,448,365
Purchase of fish Feed	2,466	686	3,152	22%	2,158,740
Purchase of lime	1,921	1,139	3,060	37%	563,545
Purchase of pesticide	10,973	2,111	13,084	16%	7,388,630
Purchase of seeds	14,170	3,132	17,302	18%	11,504,729
Selling products	6,119	1,856	7,975	23%	29,315,359
Tillage land for crops	6,358	1,112	7,470	15%	13,642,230
Vaccination of poultry & livestock	7,853	11,813	19,666	60%	713,898
Others	164	242	406	60%	413,300
Total	62,572	25,252	87,824	29%	82,030,631

Collective action - by a producer group is one way to partially overcome constraints such as in weak markets, where inputs and services essential to production innovations, are generally scarce, costly to access and/or to obtain. Collective action is working in group instead of individually in order to gain economic or social benefit. Through collective action, farmers can address constraints in their market linkages, organise their activities jointly and use their collective bargaining power to reduce input costs through bulk purchase, or to obtain services from buyers such as farm-level collection of produce

Water Management Group - The basic organizational unit in Blue Gold representing local stakeholders from a hydrological or social unit (para/village). Through Blue Gold, 511 WMGs have been formed and registered. The average WMG covers an area of around 230 ha has 365 households or a population of just over 1,500.

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The wiki version of the Lessons Learnt Report of the Blue Gold program, documents the experiences of a technical assistance (TA) team working in a development project implemented by the Bangladesh Water Development Board (BWDB) and the Department of Agricultural Extension (DAE) over an eight+ year period from March 2013 to December 2021. The wiki lessons learnt report (LLR) is intended to complement the BWDB and DAE project completion reports (PCRs), with the aim of recording lessons learnt for use in the design and implementation of future interventions in the coastal zone.

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