

Dear minister/ Dear representative of your ministry of agriculture,

We would like to invite you to give us your opinions for an ongoing research project to get a deeper understanding how to improve the agriculture-nutrition linkages. It will take about **15 minutes** of your precious time to answer the questions. Your personal answers will be confidentially treated and we shall provide you with the aggregated results and analyses after completion of the study.

Please insert in Part II the number(s) of the answer(s) you think is (are) most appropriate.

Part I: Personal Data

- Name:** [Click here to fill in](#)
- Country:** [Click here to fill in](#)
- Email:** [Click here to fill in](#)
(to inform you after the completion of the study)
- Position:** **Minister** **Undersecretary** **Policy advisor**
 Other (specify): [Click here to fill in](#)
- Your Professional Background:** **Law** **Agricultural Science** **Health**
 Other (specify): [Click here to fill in](#)

Part II: Nutrition-sensitive agriculture

Prominence of the concept *(for each question one answer only)*

	Question	Code number and answer		Code number
1	Have you heard of the term nutrition-sensitive agriculture?	0= Yes 1= No -> Q8		—
2	Have you informed yourself about nutrition-sensitive agriculture through scientific literature?	0= Yes 1= No		—
3	Have you attended conferences and/or scientific meetings to the topic of nutrition-sensitive agriculture?	0= Yes 1= No 2= Intended		—
4	Does your ministry have an internal concept of nutrition-sensitive agriculture?	0= Yes 1= No 2= Intended		—
5	Are you implementing projects or programmes to realize nutrition-sensitive agriculture?	0= Yes 1= No 2= Intended		—
6	What does hinder you from implementing nutrition-sensitive agriculture?	1= Lack of information 2= Concrete instructions for governments 3= Missing common understanding of nutrition-sensitive agriculture 4= Lack of a cost-benefit analysis 66= Other		—

The concept of nutrition-sensitive agriculture

7	Do you consider the idea of nutrition-sensitive agriculture basically useful?	1= yes 2= yes under certain conditions 3= no, the concept is not new 4= no, the concept is wrong		—
8	Which definition of nutrition-sensitive agriculture do you consider most appropriate? (one answer only)			
	1= Nutrition-sensitive agriculture explicitly incorporates nutrition objectives and indicators into agriculture and addresses the utilization dimension of food and nutrition security, including health, education, economic, environmental and social aspects. 2= Nutrition-sensitive agriculture means to diversify the production and consumption of foods. 3= Nutrition-sensitive agriculture involves the design and adoption of cropping and farming systems which can provide agricultural remedies to the prevailing nutritional maladies. 4= Nutrition-sensitive agriculture ensures the year round availability and accessibility of a variety of diverse foods and prevents nutrient losses, so that when consumed these foods improve nutrient intake through dietary diversification, improve levels of nutrition, and prevent macro- and micronutrient deficiencies.		—	
9	Which factors should be considered while implementing nutrition-sensitive agriculture? (multiple answers possible)	Please mark		
		Gender Equity		<input type="checkbox"/>
		Education		<input type="checkbox"/>
		Forests		<input type="checkbox"/>
		Land tenure		<input type="checkbox"/>
		Environment		<input type="checkbox"/>
		Culture		<input type="checkbox"/>
		Health hazards		<input type="checkbox"/>
		Value Chain		<input type="checkbox"/>
		Policy coherence		<input type="checkbox"/>
		Collaboration of professionals in agriculture, nutrition and health		<input type="checkbox"/>
		Other (specify): Click here to fill in		<input type="checkbox"/>

In the next section the questions refer to the terms food security and nutrition security.

Food security according to the FAO exists when all people, at all times, have physical, social and economic access to sufficient safe and nutritious food that meets their dietary needs and food preferences for an active and healthy life. **Nutrition security** has a wider scope and includes linkages between food intake, care and health.

10	Which elements do you think should be included in the concept of nutrition sensitive agriculture for nutrition security ? (<i>multiple answers possible</i>)	Please mark	
		Health	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Nutrition Education	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Care	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Gender Equity	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Food Security	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Sustainable agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Policy coherence	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Collaboration of professionals in agriculture, nutrition and health	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (specify): Click here to fill in	<input type="checkbox"/>		
11	Which elements do you think should be included in the concept of nutrition sensitive agriculture for food security ? (<i>multiple answers possible</i>)	Please mark	
		Diversification	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Specialization in single nutrient-rich crops	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Soil fertility	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Agricultural tools (biofortification, micronutrient-enriched fertilizers)	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Increased Production	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Income Generation	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Nutrient bioavailability	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Reduce post-harvest losses	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Marketing of nutrient-dense foods	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (specify): Click here to fill in	<input type="checkbox"/>		
12	Which elements do you think should be included in the concept of nutrition sensitive agriculture to consider care ? (<i>multiple answers possible</i>)	Please mark	
		Impact on women´s time burden	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Impact on men´s time burden	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Empowerment of women	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Impact on women´s income	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Impact on men´s income	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (specify): Click here to fill in	<input type="checkbox"/>		

13	Which elements do you think should be included in the concept of nutrition sensitive agriculture to consider health ? (multiple answers possible)	Please mark		
		Water pollution		<input type="checkbox"/>
		Health hazards through use of chemicals		<input type="checkbox"/>
		Vector-borne diseases (e.g. malaria)		<input type="checkbox"/>
		Food-associated disease (e.g. diarrhea)		<input type="checkbox"/>
		Zoonotic diseases		<input type="checkbox"/>
		Management of natural resources		<input type="checkbox"/>
		Other (specify): Click here to fill in		<input type="checkbox"/>
14	Which foods should be in the focus of nutrition-sensitive agriculture? (two answers possible)	1= primary focus		
		2= secondary focus		
		Foods of locally adapted varieties		—
		Genetically modified foods		—
		Biofortified foods		—
		Legumes		—
		Animal foods		—
		Cash crops		—
		Small scale animal foods		—
		Culturally accepted foods		—
		Fruits and vegetables		—
		Nutrient-dense staple foods		—
Wild/collected foods		—		
Other (specify):		—		
15	Which production system is most appropriate for nutrition-sensitive agriculture?	1= Small-scale production		—
		2= Organic farming		—
		3= Specialized farms		—
		4= Conventional farming		—
		5= A combination of different production methods		—
		6= No specified production system		—
		66= Other (specify): Click here to fill in		—

Added value of the concept (for each question one answer only)

16	<p>What is in your opinion the aim of nutrition-sensitive agriculture?</p> <p>1= Nutrition-sensitive agriculture aims to maximize the impact of the food and agricultural sector on nutrition outcomes, while minimizing the unintended negative nutritional consequences of agricultural interventions and policies along the value chain from farmers to consumers.</p> <p>2= Nutrition-sensitive agriculture aims to link agriculture, nutrition and health.</p> <p>3= Nutrition-sensitive agriculture aims to combat undernutrition and micronutrients deficiencies.</p> <p>4= Nutrition-sensitive agriculture aims to narrow the gap between available and accessible food and the food needed for a healthy and balanced diet for all people.</p> <p>5= Nutrition-sensitive agriculture aims to combat all forms of malnutrition (under- and overnutrition as well as micronutrients deficiencies).</p> <p>6= Nutrition-sensitive agriculture aims to foster sustainable diets.</p>		—	
17	<p>“The concept of nutrition-sensitive agriculture is necessary to secure nutrition for all people!”</p>	<p>1= I totally agree 2= I strongly agree 3= I agree 4= I disagree 5= I strongly disagree 6= I totally disagree</p>		—
<p>The next question refers to the right to food approach. The right to adequate food is realized when every man, woman and child, alone or in community with others, has physical and economic access at all times to adequate food or means for its procurement. (http://www.fao.org/righttofood/en/)</p>				
18	<p>Nutrition-sensitive agriculture and the right to food are...</p>	<p>1= Contrary approaches 2= Complementary approaches 3= Independent approaches 4= The same approach 5= I do not know</p>		—

Thank you for your time and cooperation!

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