



International Expert Network Home Gardens for Resilience and Recovery (HG4RR)

HG4RR Kick-off Workshop in Kathmandu, Nepal: Lessons from Home and School Garden Interventions in Asia to Support Livelihoods and Food Security

Date: 13 - 14, December 2018

Venue: Hotel Yatri Suit & Spa Thamel in Kathmandu, Nepal

Project Summary: The main objective of HG4RR is to establish an international network of experts (researchers and practitioners from South and East Asia and Europe) to advance our knowledge on topics related to home gardens, resilience, food security, and interventions. In addition to facilitating research exchange and building capacity, the project aims to study how informal small-scale home gardening acts as a coping strategy tool to strengthen the food security and resilience for vulnerable households living under extreme uncertainty and susceptible to negative external shocks. In addition, home gardens have positive effects beyond their immediate outcomes (food security and nutrition), such as on, women empowerment. The HG4RR network is formed of partners from 6 countries (Bangladesh, Cambodia, Germany, Philippines, Nepal, Thailand, India).

Workshop Objectives: The workshop on Day 1 will allow experts from governments, donors, and NGOs as well as researchers to share experiences and lessons learnt about home and school gardens as successful interventions for strengthening livelihoods, gender equality and food security. A particular focus will be on post-emergency settings though all case studies. The workshop on Day 2 is by invitation only and will allow members to plan future activities for the HG4RR Network.

Agenda:

Day 1 - Thursday, 13 December 2018 (public)	
09:00 - 10:00	Registration, Opening, and Introductions
10:00 - 10:15	"HG4RR and emergencies" Prof. Tilman Brück , IGZ
10:15 - 10:30	"Metabolites in vegetables – Nutritious resources in home and school gardens." Prof. Monika Schreiner , IGZ

10:30 - 11:15	Keynote: <i>"Home gardens and nutrition security."</i> Dr. Pepijn Schreinemachers , World Vegetable Center
11:15 - 11:45	Tea Break
11:45 - 13:00	Session 1: Home Gardens and Resilience 3 presentations (15 minutes each) & open discussion (30 minutes)
	<i>"Response and recovery of climate change impact through homestead gardening: In light of food security in Bangladesh."</i> Abdur Rahaman Rana , CAMET
	<i>"Home gardens as a Social safety net: Evidence from Kyrgyzstan."</i> Dr. Hanna Freudenreich , IGZ
	<i>"Home/Kitchen Gardens in Bangladesh: Status, Determinants and Potential for Resilience."</i> Dr. Abu Hayat Saiful Islam , Bangladesh Agricultural University
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch Break
14:00 - 15:15	Session 2: Home Gardens, Nutrition, and Health 3 presentations (15 minutes each) & open discussion (30 minutes)
	<i>"Nutrition Gardening for dietary diversity and food safety."</i> Sweta Banerjee , Welthungerhilfe
	<i>"Nudging children towards healthier diets: School garden experiments in Nepal."</i> Dr. Ghassan Baliki , IGZ
	<i>"Medicinal plant diversity in homegardens and its uses in rural parts of Habiganj district in north-eastern Bangladesh"</i> Safiul Azam , Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences
15:15 - 15:45	Tea Break
15:45 - 17:00	Session 3: Home Gardens and Development 3 presentations (15 minutes each) & open discussion (30 minutes)
	<i>"Home garden promotion after Nepal earthquake 2015: Scope for resilience and recovery."</i> Prof. Rishi Kattel , Agriculture and Forestry University
	<i>"UST College of Science Community Development Environmental Advocacy"</i> Dr. Jaycee Paguirigan , University of Santo Tomas, Philippines
	<i>"Do home garden programs lead to long-term behavioral change: Evidence from Bangladesh."</i> Dr. Ghassan Baliki , IGZ
17:00 - 17:30	Closing Session (Tilman)
17:30 - 19:00	Reception / Dinner

Day 2 - Friday, 14 December 2018 (for HG4RR members only)	
09:00 - 09:30	Opening and outline of HG4RR activities (Tilman and Doro)
09:30 - 11:00	Joint research opportunities (Tilman and Doro)
11:00 - 11:30	Tea break
11:30 - 13:00	Expertise and staff exchanges (Ghassan and Tilman)
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch break
14:00 - 16:00	Looking ahead for HG4RR (Ghassan and Lara) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Planning the next events - Recruit new members
16:00 - 16:30	Closing remarks (Tilman)

Participating Network-Members:

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