

D-Lab Fall 2008

Development

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World Agricultural Facts

- In sub-Saharan Africa, women grow
 ~80% of the food
- Worldwide, women represent ~60% of the farmers in the developing world, yet receive only 5% of agricultural extension services
- There are 450,000,000 smallholder farms (< 2 hectares) in the world

World Agricultural Facts

- 75% of the world's food comes from rice, corn, wheat, potatoes, barley, cassava and sorghum
- Agriculture is responsible for 70% of global water withdrawals.

Case 1: Haiti

Agriculture, which is the main source of the Nation's wealth, is a guarantee of the well-being of the people and socio-economic progress of the Nation.

Title IX, Chapter 1, Article 247

Haitian Constitution

Some Basic Facts: Haiti

- 67% of the work force involved in agriculture
- 555,000 hectares under cultivation
- Only 75,000 under irrigation
- 70% of farmers work marginal, severely eroded hill-side farms
- Average farm size: <1 hectare

Case 2: Bangladesh

Some Basic Facts: Bangladesh

- 65% of the work force involved in agriculture
- 1% of farming households own 15% of cultivated land
- Average farm size is < 0.59 hectares
- 58% of farmers are tenant farmers
- 47.2% of land is irrigated

The Agricultural Technology Showcase

Part 1:

Post-Harvest Processing

Cereal Processing

- Drying
- Threshing
- Winnowing
- Dehulling
- Grinding
- Sifting

Traditional Milling



- Women spend 1 3
 hours every day
 grinding grain for their
 families
- Mills are one of the most highly requested items from development organizations

Milling Technologies

- Roller Mills
- Burr Mills
- Hammer Mills

Roller Mill



Burr Mill

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Hammer Mills





 Existing mills often break down, and are difficult to maintain

Separating Screen



The Screenless Hammermill





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