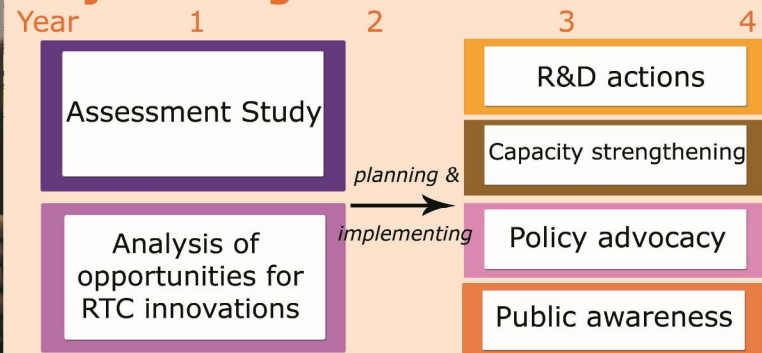




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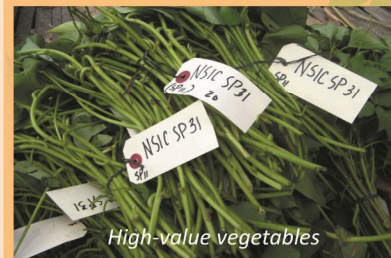
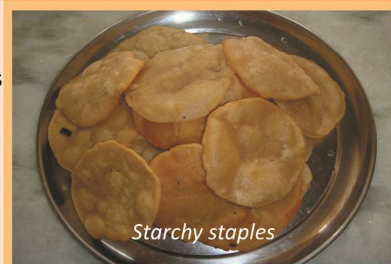
Food Security Through Asian Root and Tuber Crops

The project aims to promote the role of RTCs in building more diverse and sustainable agri-food systems, towards ensuring food security among poor producers and consumers in Asia Pacific and in the face of socio-economic and agro-environmental changes in the region.



2011-2012
 Assessment study in focus sites comprising three (3) sub-regional clusters - South Asia, Southeast Asia & China.

2013-2014
 Design and implement strategies for integrating RTCs in food security R&D actions, capacity strengthening, policy advocacy and public awareness.



What are the key activities and outputs of the project?

Gathering evidence on RTCs for food security
 Output 1: Target areas with high incidence of food insecurity/poverty and RTCs production and consumption are identified and mapped.

Identifying and introducing RTC innovations
 Output 2: Opportunities and challenges to enhance the contribution of RTCs to food security and increased incomes—through various value-adding innovations.

Enhancing R&D actions, capacities and policies
 Output 3: R&D actions, capacity strengthening and policy influencing efforts are introduced, in partnership with IFAD investment projects.



Beneficiaries
 Poor rural farming households and communities where RTCs are key component of their food and livelihood systems including indigenous people and women.

Partnerships
 Led by the International Potato Center (CIP), the project works with key national and regional organizations, CGIAR Centers, IFAD investment programs as well as development partners in the government, NGO and private sectors.



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