Understanding Orange-fleshed Sweetpotato based Products Value Chain and Consumer Preference Study in Ethiopia

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Introduction

Orange fleshed sweetpotato (OFSP) was introduced in Ethiopia in 2005. Since then most of the research efforts have been focused on agronomy and seed systems with the ultimate focus on improving household vitamin A status and food security. Recently sweetpotato has been considered for disaster, emergency litigation and climate change resilience. Despite calls from the government and donors on creating markets opportunities for farmers, very little was done in Ethiopia on OFSP value addition. Therefore, the objective of this study was to understand OFSP based Products Value Chain and Consumer Preference in Ethiopia.

Methodology





Standard Wheat flour recipe

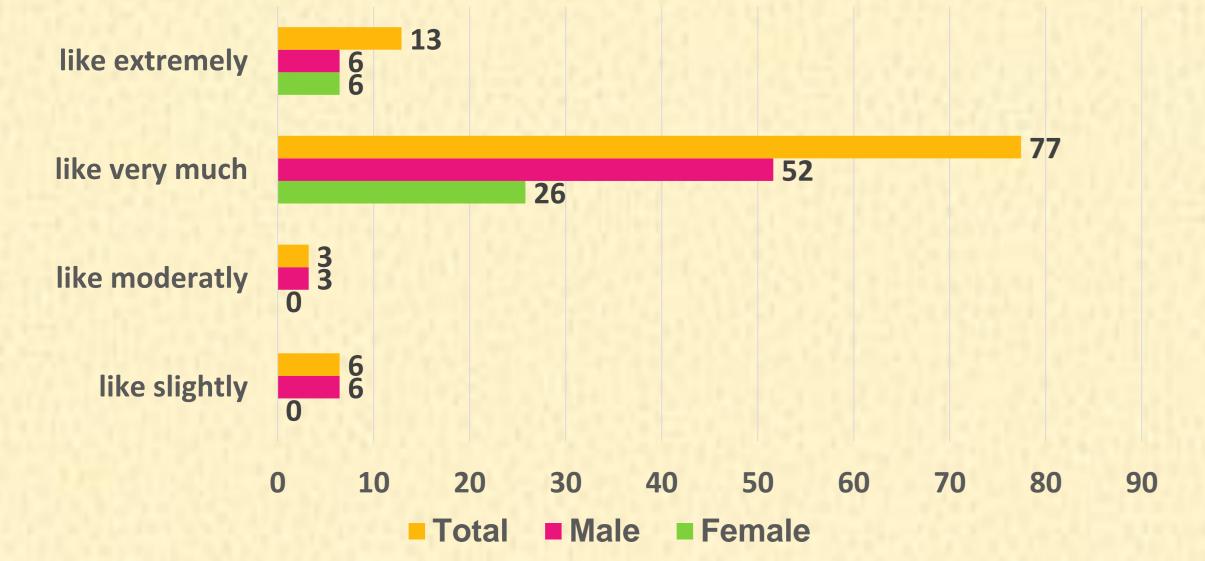
Ingredient	Recipe		Price in recipe (birr)	
ingreatent	amount (kg)	(rg)		
Wheat Flour	50	10.4	520	
Salt	0.3	5	1.5	
Bread Improver	0.15	72	10.8	
OFSP Puree				
Baking Powder	0.1	10	1	
Yeast	0.25	120	30	
Cost of making 384 pieces			563.3	
Total sales per batch (2.4 birr x	921.6			
			358.3	

Wheat + OFSP puree recipe

L	Ingredients	Recipe amount (kg)	Price birr (kg)	Price in recipe (birr)	
	Wheat Flour	50	10.4	520	
	Salt	0.72	5	3.6	
	Bread Improver	0.3	72	21.6	
	OFSP Puree	41	7*	287	
	Baking Powder	0.18	10	1.8	
	Yeast	0.5	120	60	
	Cost of making 600	bread		894	
	Sales per One piece	e per batch (2.4 bir	r x 600)	1440	
				546	

Production profit	(US\$16.29)	
Cost of making one pieces (200 gm)	1.47	

Fig 1. OFSP bread test of consumer preference



Production profit	(US\$24.82)
Cost of making one pieces (200 gm)	1.49

- The product is acceptable by bakers and consumers. Since it has economical benefit to bakers and nutritional advantages to consumers.
- Therefore, establishment of OFSP puree processing not only important for processers, bakers and urban consumers but also created high market demand to smallholder OFSP roots producer. Ultimately, the farmers will increased OFSP root production as well as improved consumption, nutrition and income generation.







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