



POST HARVEST INTERVENTIONS

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Post harvest interventions have the following purpose

- Seed quality harvest: Selection, screening and storing, protection from pest and diseases infection
- Food quality harvest
 1. grading, packing for market storing, protection with chemical ingredients
 2. selection for preservation for own consumption
 3. storing with non poison ingredients
 3. careful processing of crop by -products as animal feed and fodder
 4. crop refuses processed for recyclable bulky compost & manure

Apart from the above, LKP has its own market led strategy at the post harvest stage under the MKSP project. The SHGs at the grass root level in the project area come from the poorest of the poor families who are landless, marginal & asset-less. Building up of a successful model through the institutions in order to develop a market system for the SHGs is a crucial challenge under the project.

At present most of them can not produce enough marketable surpluses excepting a small section of the MK become able to manage surplus after consumption. They have been taking them to the nearby village market (hat) for sale.

It is expected that a significant amount of output would be generated in the process of the project activity by the women farmers during the project period. Producer groups as well as their institutions are in the process of formation from sub-cluster (village level) to cluster (GP level) to take up their marketable surpluses to the market, if required, beyond their local market. To build up the market linkage, it may be required to provide some facilities for sorting, grading, packaging, transport facilities and professional consultancies etc.

Besides, a considerable no. of village fairs (traditional) fairs organized by the PRIs Govt. & Non Govt. organization, at block, dist. & state level take place every year. Linking of these markets in addition to the normally available local market with the producers groups & institutions will be given prime importance.

Thus, network of women led groups & its institutions from village level to Block Level Federations will be capacitated & strengthened to build up an effective backward and forward linkage from village level to Block level & subsequently to the market – of the nearest town and onwards doing these, all efforts will be made before making the model a situational analysis has to be made to go for a value-chain based market system for the purpose. 50 nos. of groups have been identified who are engaged in different agro based activities for the formation of formal Producer Groups.

