

PPP initiative



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OUTLINE



Spice Industry – An
Overview

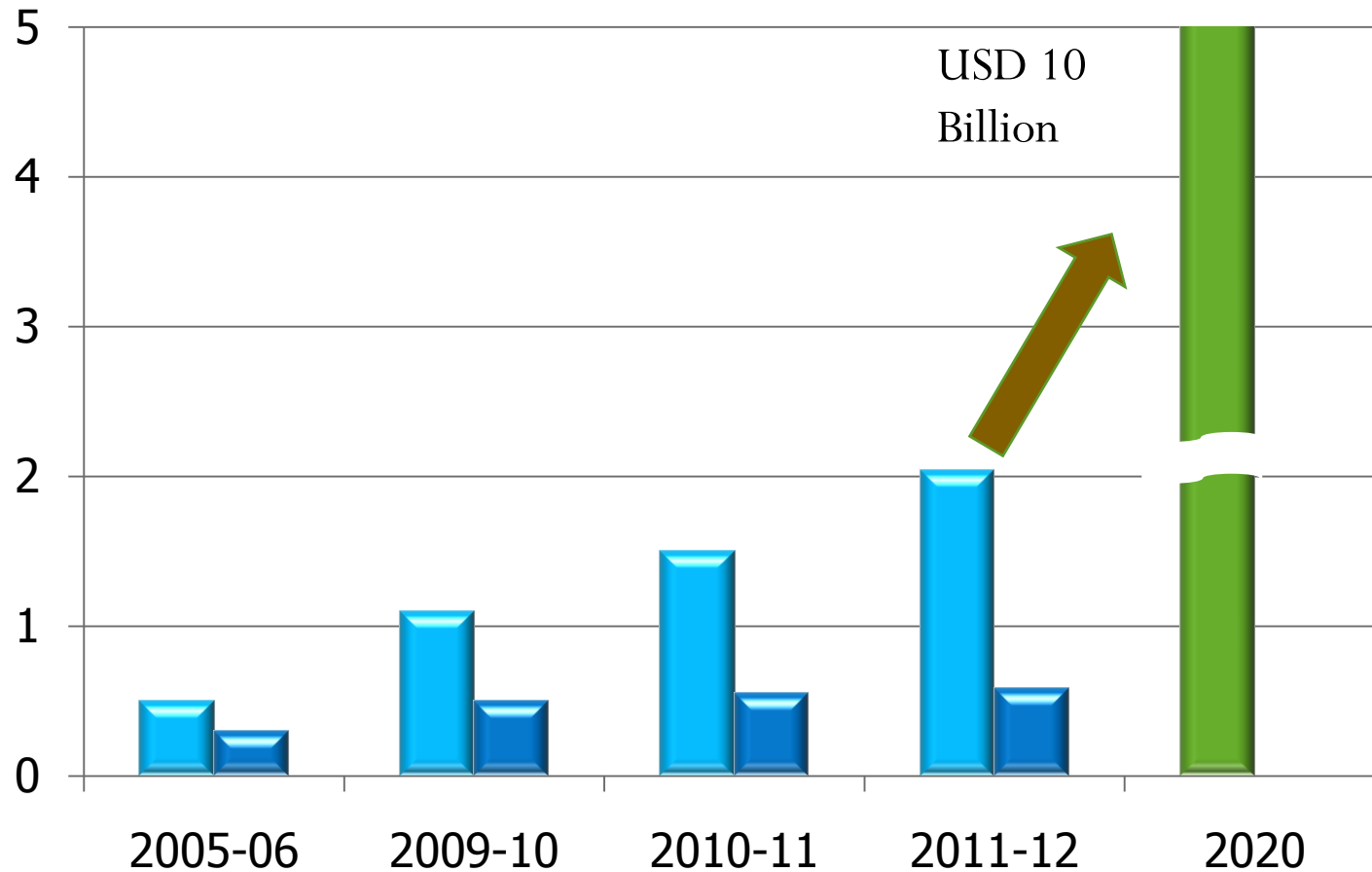


Challenges



WSO - Its Role in
Sustainable initiatives

The Indian Spice Industry



Challenges...



- Growing health concerns – Food borne illness
- Frequent changes in Food Safety Laws in importing & producing countries.
 - Stringent
 - Sometimes unclear



Challenges...



- Mycotoxins, MRLs Microbiological and Micro sanitary – No harmonized standards
- Product recalls – huge product liability claims.
- Mycotoxin – Not science based - *2 ppm to 30 ppm*
- 430 PR test in EU
- MRL only for few Chemicals in the US
- Illegal dyes
- Supply scarcity

WSO Objectives



Food Safety

- Free from All Contaminations
- Safe for Human/Animal Consumption

Food Security

- Enhance Productivity
- Reduce Wastage

Sustainability / GAP

- Socio – Economic & Environmental

Collaborations

- Collaborative efforts & Open dialogue
- Industry & Govt. Bodies



Collaboration: Public Private Participation (PPP)

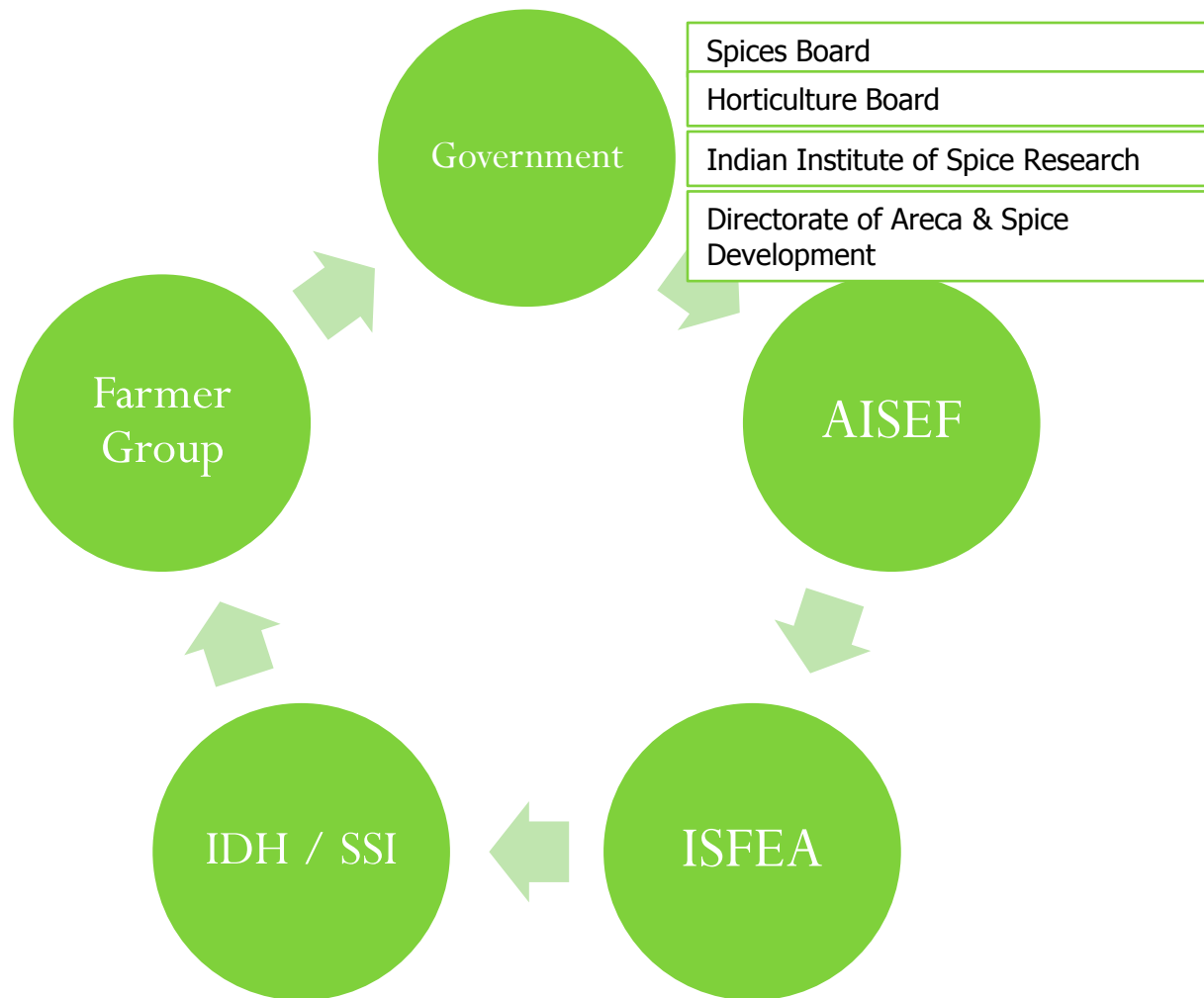


Initiated by WSO & ISFEA

Objective:

1. To promote sustainable agriculture.
This required an extensive ground work and support farmers, Industry, agronomist, scientists, and Spices Board.
2. To be the preferred Spice Supplier

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Collaborative Efforts PPP



Training & Dissemination

- Campaign against Aflatoxin contamination in Nutmeg
- GAP / IPM awareness program in the traditional Chilli belt



Regular interactions with Policymakers

- Working together with FSSAI and Codex



Constant Dialogues

- Farmers , Scientists, processors, Regulators & consumers



Collaboration Continues...

IPM CUMIN PROGRAM



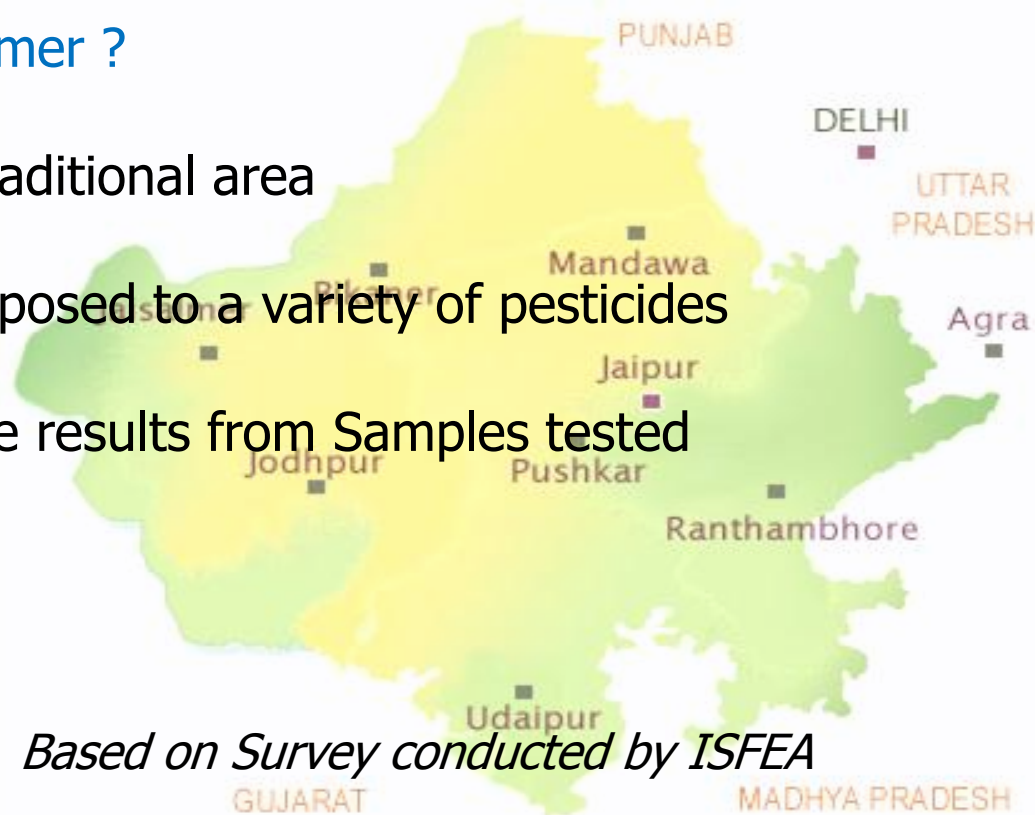
- ❖ Crop status- Vegetative Stage
- ❖ 600 MT PR compliant Cumin
- ❖ Agro-extension team involved in education, dissemination of knowledge on chemicals and MRLS & monitoring of IPM schedules
- ❖ Risk based categorization of farmers and out put to enable elimination of high risk groups
- ❖ Sample evaluation





Why Barmer ?

- Non Traditional area
- Not Exposed to a variety of pesticides
- Positive results from Samples tested

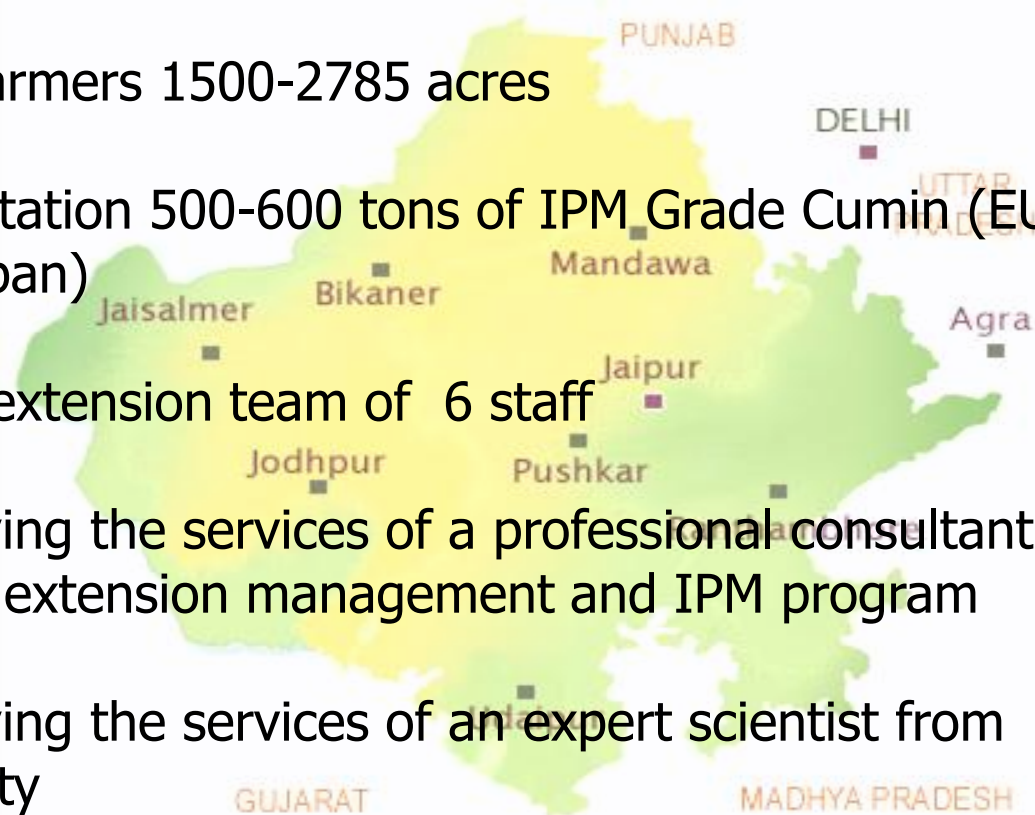


Based on Survey conducted by ISFEA

IPM CUMIN PROGRAM



- ❖ Barmar dist, Rajasthan
- ❖ 144 farmers 1500-2785 acres
- ❖ Expectation 500-600 tons of IPM Grade Cumin (EU, & Japan)
- ❖ Agro-extension team of 6 staff
- ❖ Involving the services of a professional consultant for Agro extension management and IPM program
- ❖ Involving the services of an expert scientist from locality



Checks and validation –



- ❖ Targeted Field visits throughout the growing period of 100-110 days.
- Soil preparations, sowing, watering.
- Spraying, harvest, drying and
- Dispatch to designated warehouses
- Visits to suppliers of farm inputs to check usage of unwarranted chemicals.
- Farmers that have old stock of banned chemicals have been paid for their costs and their chemical stocks destroyed.



- ❖ A robust traceability has been designed for this project.
- Entire district has been divided into 2 sub divisions.
- Each of these sub divisions is further divided to record their input.
- Material received from each of these will be stored separately
- Tested for compliance with MRL of developed western markets.

Scope of Work



WSO: Technical Support
ISFEA: Financial Support / Buy Back
Spices Board: Support by Subsidies for post
harvest practices

Agronomists: monitor traceability and Farmer details
Inputs from Scientists: On chemicals, dosages, validation of pertinent chemicals
,MRLs, Test Methods and chemical usage at times of disease outbreak.



✿ Evaluating Farmers

- ❖ Pesticide residue control Program
 - Clear understanding of regulation and advise on IPM based on regulations
 - Categorizing according to use of MRL and chemicals used
 - High Risk
 - Medium Risk
 - Low Risk
 - Risk analysis based on Persistence index of each chemical





- ✿ **Traceability from farmer**
 - Farm and Lot traceability
 - Testing program to support lot traceability
- ✿ **Extension works**
 - Qualified Agro extension team managed by professional agro extension consultants
- ✿ **Farmer coordination**
 - Services of a local scientist
 - Liasoning with Governmental agencies and Boards



Collaboration Continues...

IPM CUMIN PROGRAM



✿ Training Program at Barmer District in Rajasthan

- RM Quality Specifications
- POP and IPM Schedules
- Knowledge on chemicals and availability of alternate and safe chemicals
- Post Harvest Handling
- Local storage and lot making
- Knowledge on Common Diseases and control measures based on IPM





✿ Training Program at Barmer

- ❖ Application of Pesticides
 - Need based
 - Spot Vs wide spread
 - Physical controls and biological controls
- ❖ Waiting Period
 - Persistence index of each chemical
- ❖ Recommended Dose to meet MRL
- ❖ Alternate Chemicals





Farmers Participation

- Willingness to learn and progress
- Attendance in meetings/Trainings
- Willingness to follow practices laid down by Scientists

Way Forward...



Extensive
Participation
from
Industry

More area
under
contract
farming

Research
Support

Financial
assistance
to Contract
farming

Extensive
and
intensive
awareness
program



Way Forward...



More area under farming

- Intensive cultivation – “Net Farm Return”
- Extensive cultivation - Non-Traditional area

Research Support

- New cultivars - disease & insect resistance, high productivity
- Hasten the lab to land implementation process – measurable
- Enhance organoleptic properties & active ingredients

Way Forward...



- Codex standards
 - CCSCH, CCPR & CCMAS to be used as guide
- Ban all potentially harmful Chemicals Organochloride and Organophosphate
- Stricter control on registration & use of Pesticides
- Enable and enrich farming community with knowledge and technology to improve their livelihood

SSI/IDH/WSO



- WSO to work as a catalyst to promote Sustainable program in India
- Training program jointly by IDH & WSO
- Certification from organization like Rain Forest Alliance
- Marketing/buying support from Global partners
- Dialogue with IOSTA to implement IOSTA GAP



Thank You...