

## CRS Nepal Farmer to Farmer (F2F) Program



In 2022 Farmers in Small Farmer Agriculture Cooperative Limited (SFACL) Surkhet were provided on-farm training on integrated methods and technologies to increase milk production and productivity of buffalo and cattle. Photo by CRS Staff

## Small Farmers' Conference: Transforming and Sustaining Small Farms in Nepal

### Purpose

CRS-F2F Nepal is organizing the **"2022 Small Farms Conference: Transforming and Sustaining Small Farmers"** on Friday, June 24, 2022, in collaboration and partnership with the Government of Nepal, universities, research organizations, the Federation of Small Farmers' Cooperatives, National Federation of Farmers' Groups, financial and agricultural insurance institutions, USAID implementing partners, private enterprises and community-based organizations. During the conference, presenters (farmers, researchers, and experts) will share successes in small-scale farming as well as innovative ideas for research, extension, and education to strengthen collaboration and partnerships among the public, private, and cooperative sectors who work to ensure that small farmers advance and sustain their farms in the rapidly evolving socio-economic and environmental contexts. The conference will also serve as a forum to discuss the results of research accomplished by the Nepal Agriculture Research Council (NARC), agriculture and forestry universities, and NGOs. It is anticipated that around eighty participants from diverse stakeholders will attend.

### Goals and Agendas

The overall goal of this event is to strengthen sustainability, competitiveness, and profitability for small farms and farming systems in Nepal. Specific objectives include

- Strengthen collaboration and partnership among farmers' groups, cooperatives, GoN institutions (research, extension, and university), and the private sector
- Provide a platform for small farmers to share their successes with their fellow farmers and stakeholders
- Provide a platform for small farmers to share issues and challenges in relation to access to innovations, input (seed/breed, fertilizers, plant protection, irrigation), agricultural credits, government support, subsidies, and crop and livestock insurance.

### Conference highlights

- 100 people from diverse walks of life (Policy, program, producers, processors, agro-traders, academicians, agri-input suppliers, etc.) are attending the conference.
- At least 15 small producers will showcase their stories and the progress they have made.
- Academicians and researchers in Nepal to conduct educational sessions focusing on Promising research results for adoption and use by smallholder farmers.
- Participants to actively engage in digging out the issues and challenges of typical Nepalese small farmers and figure out ways to transform and sustain their production systems



In 2021 Prof. Reza Rafie demonstrated methods to identify different rhizome rot diseases in ginger in Airawati, Pyuthan. Photo by CRS Staff

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