

# Climate-Smart Agriculture and Mechanization in Pakistan

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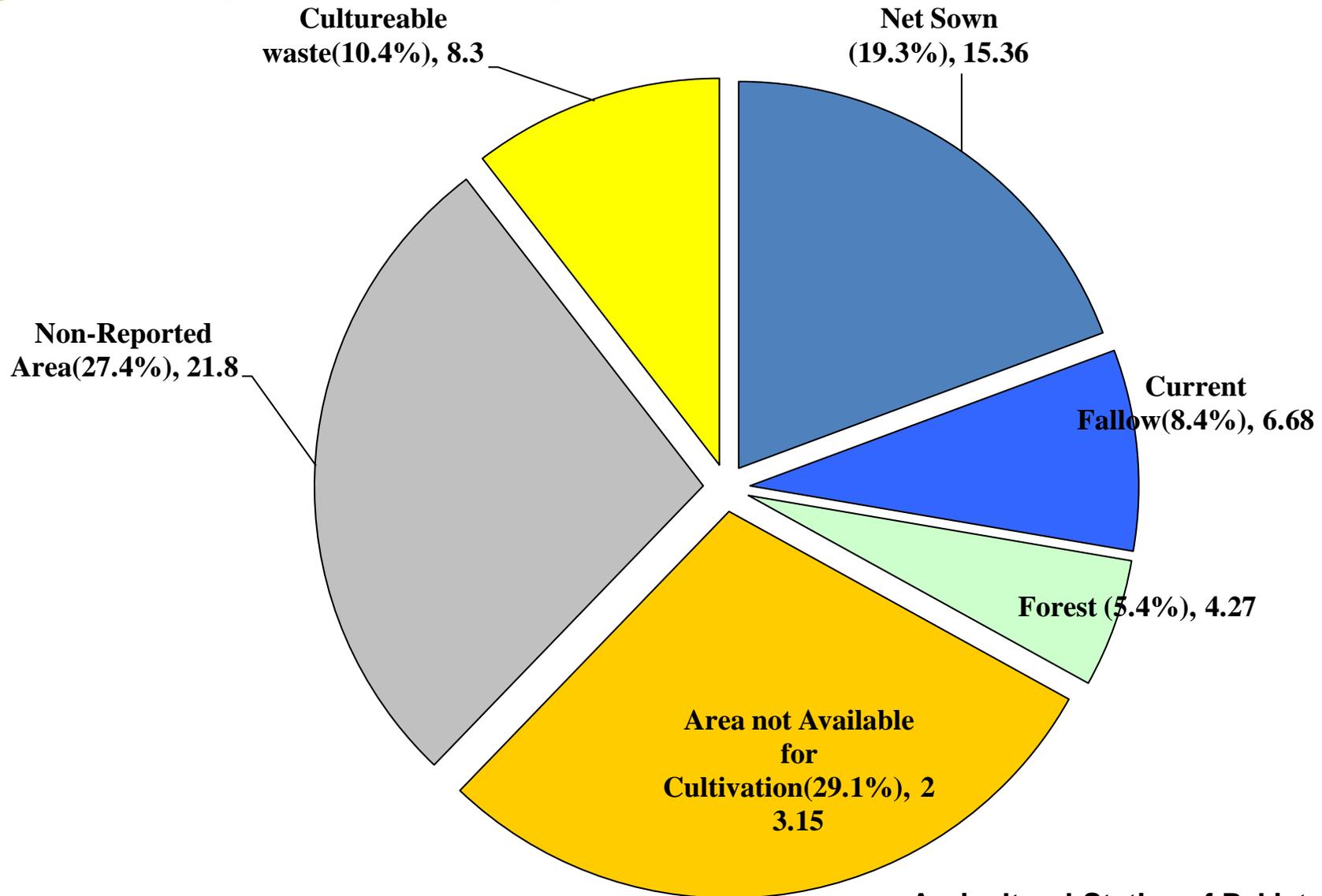
# INTRODUCTION

## Agriculture

**Pakistan is basically an agricultural country and it's almost 70% of the economy is based on agriculture. Most importantly, 68 % of country's population living in rural areas is directly or indirectly depend upon agriculture for their livelihood**

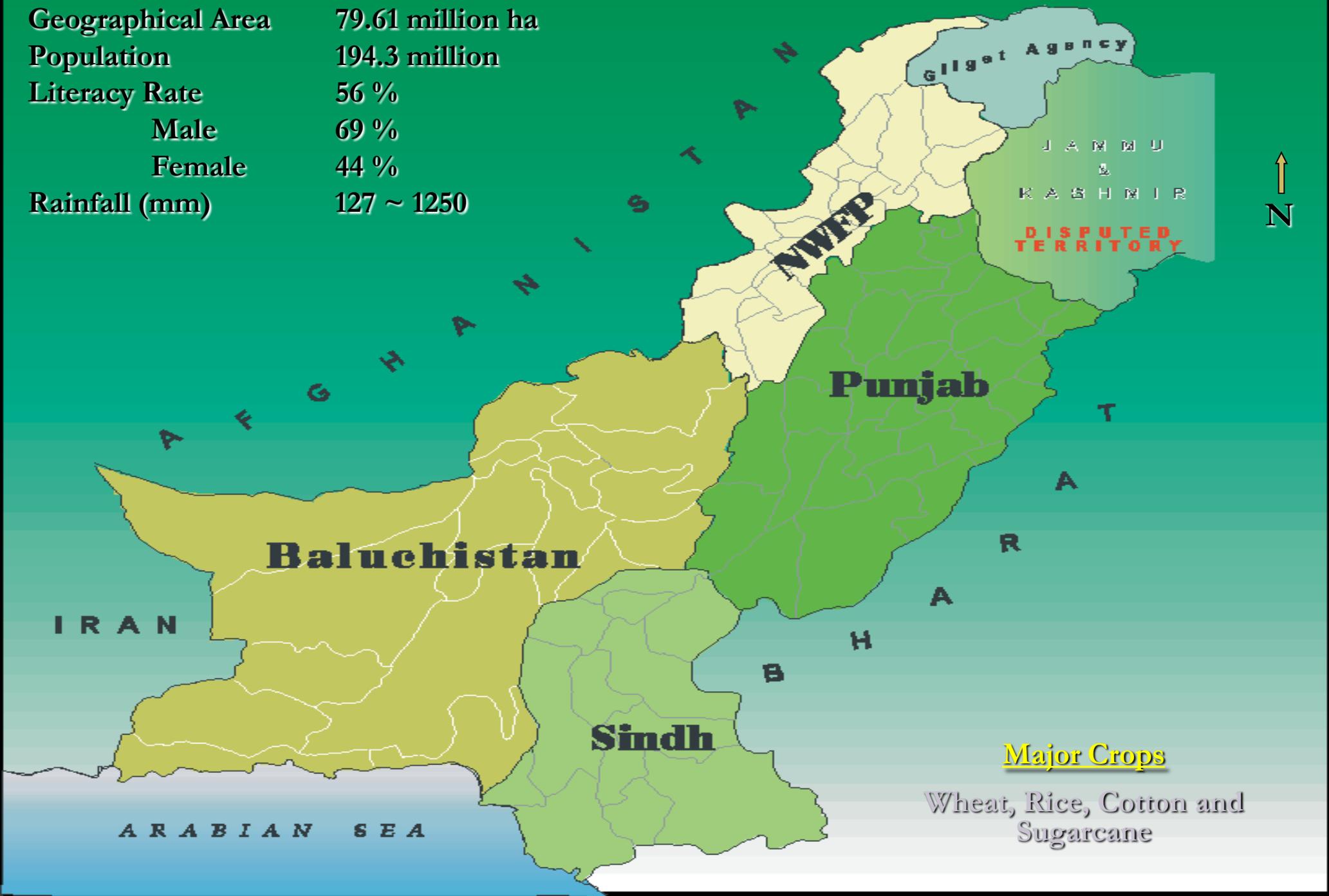
- Agriculture sector is a dominant sector of Pakistan Economy
  - ❖ Contributes 21% of GDP
  - ❖ Employees 43.7% of the total work force
  - ❖ Serves as a major supplier of raw materials to industry as well as a market for industrial products
  - ❖ Contributes substantially to Pakistan's export earnings
  - ❖ The four major crops (wheat, rice, cotton & sugarcane) on average contribute 31.1 percent to the value added in overall agriculture and 7.1 percent to GDP
  - ❖ The minor crops account for 11.1 percent of the value added in overall agriculture

# LAND UTILIZATION



Agricultural Statics of Pakistan-2012-2013

Geographical Area	79.61 million ha
Population	194.3 million
Literacy Rate	56 %
Male	69 %
Female	44 %
Rainfall (mm)	127 ~ 1250



**Reaper**  
Units: 51000  
Benefit: 103 billion



**Zero tillage drill**  
Units: 7000  
Benefit: 43 billion



**Wheat straw chopper**  
Units: 5000  
Benefit: 15 billion



**Rice thresher**  
Units: 7000  
Benefit: 33 billion



**Seed processor**  
Units: 50  
Benefit: 1.3 billion



**Groundnut digger**  
Units: 2200  
Benefit: 6 billion



**Ground nut thresher**  
Units: 2200  
Benefit: 7 billion



**Planter**  
Units: 300  
Benefit: 1 billion



**Seed drill**  
Units: 8000  
Benefit: 30 billion



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# Zero Tillage (ZT) Technology

- **Time window between rice harvesting and wheat sowing is less than two weeks, especially in Basmati growing areas.**
- **Therefore, about 70% of wheat sowing in rice-wheat based cropping system gets late.**
  - **Delayed planting of wheat in rice based farming system was resulting in 15% reduction of wheat yield.**
- **Challenge was to develop a technology for timely sowing of wheat, thus reducing its yield losses.**

**About 7,000 drills are being used by the farmers.  
Estimated 43 billion rupees saving due to timely sowing of wheat, yield increase and savings in production cost.**



# PAK SEEDER



# ISSUE



# FARMERS CURRENT PRACTICES OF LAND PREPARATION





**Farmer  
practice**



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practice**



# PAK SEEDER PERFORMANCE



# FERTILIZER BAND PLACEMENT DRILL



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- ❑ Fertilizer broadcast method is a wasteful method of fertilizer application
- ❑ Fertilizer use efficiency is less and high rate of ammoniated phosphate fertilizer (like DAP) affects the seed germination and crop yield.
- ❑ ABEI NARC designed and developed a fertilizer band placement drill. This drill places fertilizer 5cm away and 5cm deeper than the seed.
- ❑ Currently 8000 units in operation



# BENEFITS

- This drill saves 50% phosphate fertilizer compared with broadcast method.
- It saves One DAP bag(Rs 4300) per acre.
- About 10% more grain yield by using this drill for wheat sowing.
- By up scaling this technology, country will benefit Rs. 15000 million/annum



# WHEAT STRAW CHOPPER



Wheat Straw Chopper-cum-Blower

# Wheat Straw Chopper

## ISSUES

- Straw collection
- Wastage of wheat straw in combine harvested field
- Straw burning & related field hazards
- Environmental pollution

## TECHNOLOGY HIGHLIGHTS

Field Capacity : 0.0.4 ha/h

Economic Benefit : \$ 190/ha (2400 kg straw not burned and saved for cattle feeding)

Operating units : 5000



# Future Focus

- Precision Agriculture
- To optimize the use of inputs like fuel, water, seed, fertilizer, chemical etc. by the use of energy efficient and environment friendly mechanical technologies.
- Computer controllers
- Variable rate technology
- Field shape affects farming efficiencies
- Farm GIS and data management
- Zone management
- Telemetric machinery operating information available on internet
- Crop sensors

# Thank you.

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**Table-1 Pak Seeder vs Farmer's Practice: Grain yield of wheat crop during 2015-16 Sowing Season**

Farmers Detail	1. Haji Mahmood Silver Star Factory, Daska Sialkot road			2. Sultan Mahmood Qureshi Village: Chicher Wali Pasroor		3. Mian Irfan Bhatti, Village: Baka Bhattian Khanka Dogran Hafizabad.		4. Malik Shakir Awan, Village: Alipur Noon Near Bhalwal, Sargogha		5. Ch. Mubarak, Village: Glotian, Daska-Wazirabad Road, Daska		6. Ch. M. Afzal, Village: Jajay Sahian, Sialkot		
*DOS.	29-11-2015			26-11-2015		22-11-2015		20-11-2015		18-11-2015		26-11-2015	15-11-15	
Practices	Pak Seeder + Full residue	Pak Seeder + Partial residue	Farmer Practice	Pak Seeder + Full Residue	Farmer Practice	Pak Seeder + Full Residue	Farmer Practice	Pak Seeder + Partial Residue	Farmer Practice	Pak Seeder + Full Residue	Farmer Practice	Pak Seeder + Full Residue	Farmer Practice	Zero Tillage + No Residue
Crop yield/ac (Kg)	1883	1670	1239	1767	1389	1738	1612	1728	1583	1718	1408	1776	1360	1757
Crop Yield/ha (Kg)	4653	4127	3062	4366	3432	4295	3983	4270	3912	4245	3479	4388	3360	4341

(\* Date of Sowing)