### **Our Approach**



## TARGETED CONTENT BASED ON COMMUNITY NEEDS AND INTERESTS

The partner staff, in consultation with the local community and subject matter specialists (partner organization's domain experts), identifies locally relevant topics or practices. These practices meet the local community needs, are scientifically valid, and are screened based on seasonal relevance.



#### PARTICIPATORY LOCAL VIDEO PRODUCTION

In each district, Digital Green's partners and community video producers create videos by modularizing locally relevant practices into short, 8-12 minute segments. The videos are made by the community and feature local community members.



#### HUMAN MEDIATED DISSEMINATION

Community mediators screen locally produced videos within small groups, using battery-operated pico projectors. These groups create an informal and intimate environment enabling all members to interact, ask questions, and clarify doubts.



# TECHNOLOGY TO EXCHANGE DATA IN AREAS WITH LIMITED CONNECTIVITY

Our technology solutions for data management like COCO (Connect Online | Connect Offline ) and Analytics dashboard generate near real-time information for learning, monitoring and evaluation, even in challenging conditions of limited power supply and connectivity in remote and rural areas.

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## **digitalGREEN**

### **An Innovative Digital Platform for Rural Development**



#### **About Us**

Digital Green is a not for profit international development organization that uses an innovative digital platform for community engagement to improve livelihoods of rural communities across South Asia and Sub-Saharan Africa. We partner with local public, private and civil society organizations to share knowledge on improved agricultural practices, livelihoods, health, and nutrition, using locally produced videos and human mediated dissemination. In a controlled evaluation, the approach was found to be 10 times more cost-effective and uptake of new practices seven times higher compared to traditional extension services.

Till date, we have reached more than 640,000 rural community members across over 7,000 villages in 9 states in India and parts of Ethiopia and Ghana. Collaborating with over 20 partners, we have helped facilitate the production and dissemination of more than 3,500 localized videos in 20 languages.

### **Our Approach**

We engage with and empower rural communities to produce participatory localized videos, leveraging pre-existing group structures to disseminate these videos through human mediation. These videos are of the community, by the community and for the community. The approach includes: (1) a participatory process for video production on improved livelihood practices, (2) a human-mediated learning model for video dissemination and training, (3) a hardware and software technology platform for data management customized to limited or intermittent Internet and electrical grid connectivity, and (4) an iterative model to progressively address the needs and interests of the community with analytical tools.

Our data management software called Connect Online | Connect Offline (COCO) and Analytics dashboard suite customized to low resource settings are used to collect and analyse near real-time data on dissemination, adoption, and community interest.

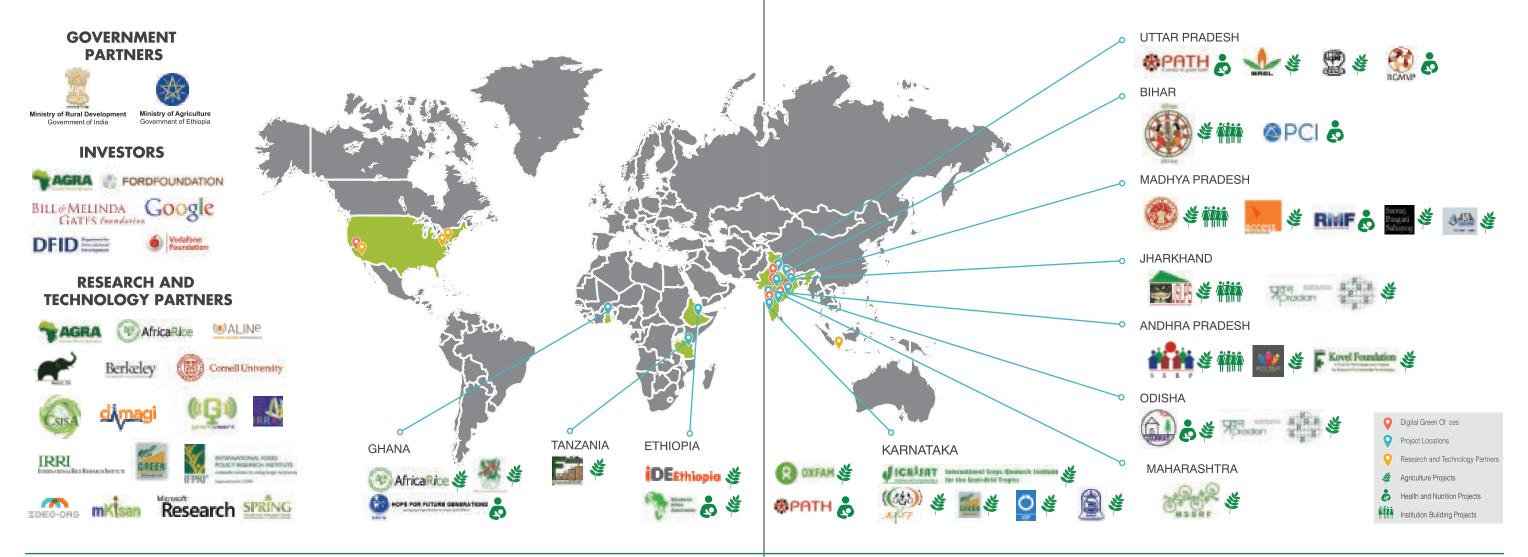
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## **Global Reach**

Our mission is to integrate innovative technology with global development efforts to improve human well-being. By 2016, we aim to reach 1 million farmers across 11,000 villages in India and other parts of South Asia and Sub-Saharan Africa.

## and Network

Our network of partners and communities reaches out to over 640,000 members across 7,448 villages in India (Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Telangana and Uttar Pradesh), Ethiopia, Ghana and Tanzania.



# **Impact**

(as of February 2015)









