

**FARMER'S DIARY  
FOR  
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## ***Farmer's Dairy***

### **Introduction**

The farmers' diary is for keeping detail record of all the activities that occurs in the farm in line with the requirements stated in Bhutan wGAP Standard for Fruits and Vegetables, 2017 (BTS 30:2017). The requirements to be met by farmer has been translated into simple formats in the diary for effective recording. The records maintained in the farmers' diary will serve as the basis for certification of Good Agricultural Practices (GAP) produce by any third party certification body.

The information in the diary consists of site location up to sales record of the produce, thus encompassing the record of traceability which is the crux of GAP implementation.

The diary will help farmers in keeping track of their expenditure and also the return. It will also be useful to our field staff to calculate the cost of production and agronomic practices followed by the farmers.

### **Format 1: Land use consensus (Consent of Family Members for land under joint ownership)**

\*Note: In case of family member being absent, authorization to use the land can be provided through any other means (email, authorization letter, etc)

## **Format 2: Farm information / Site Map**

1. Name of farmer:
2. Village/Farm location:
3. Chiwog:
4. Gewog:
5. Unique identification number (if member of a group)
6. Thram No:
7. Altitude:
8. Land Topography:
9. Name of Crop:
10. Crop Variety:
11. Area (ac):
12. Plot No.:
13. Buffer Zone (Indicate Yes/No, If Yes, provide brief description)
14. Irrigation Source :
15. Erosion Control Methods:
16. Farm Store:

## Sketch Map of the Farm

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\*Note: Please provide legends

### **Format 3: Details of propagation materials/Seeds**

- Note: In case of established orchard, a competent authority will certify the orchard from being free of pests and diseases

#### **Format 4: Fertilizer/organic manures record**

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#### **Format 6: Pesticide/bio-pesticide/locally made pesticide record**

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### **Format 7: Pesticide/bio-pesticide/locally made pesticide application record**

#### **Format 8: Waste Generated & Disposal record**

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## Format 10: Soil sterilization record

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## Format 12. Pre-harvest record

### Format 13: Harvest record

#### **Format 14: Post harvest record**

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### Format 15: Produce Traceability record

### **Format 16: Recall record (if any)**

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## **Format 18: Biodiversity Management record**

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## Format 20: Farm Visitor record

By signing, the visitor accepts that he/she will comply with the visitor policy of the farm, which is being displayed on the farm's notice.

## Format 21: Calibration record

**Format 22: In-House Irrigation Calibration**

Farmer Name	Identification	Manufacture/Make/Model:	Code no:		
Drip System					
Fertigation Tank	M <sup>3</sup> /hr				
Sand Filter	M <sup>3</sup> /hr				
Motor (HP)					
Plot No		Planting distance:			
a. No of plants		b. Area:	acre		
c. Capacity Of Dripper		Type Of Dripper			
d. No of drippers per plant		e. Total drippers = a X d			
Total water	Lit/hr = c X e.				
Lane no	Plant no	Volume ml /min	Plant no	Volume ml /min	A. Total volume ml /min= sum of water collected
					B. Avg. volume Lit/min=A / 1000
					D. Total Actual volume for plot lit/hr = C X e
					E. Actual Discharge lit/acre/hr = D / b
					F. Desired volume lit/acre/hr
The actual irrigation is equal/ over/under the desired volume decision is taken Reduce/increase the irrigation time to					
Calibration sheet no		Next calibration sheet no if any			
Calibrated by		Date			

**Format 23: Training certificate (to be issued upon farmer's request)**

To whom it may concern	
<p>This is to certify that Mr/Ms ..... holding CID no ..... From ..... Village ..... Geog ..... Dzongkhag has successfully attended the training on ..... From ..... to ..... at .....</p>	
Name and designation of verifying Officer (signature & seal)	
Date :	

#### **Format 24: Customer Complaint & Redressal record**

### **Format 25: Corrective Action record**

**Format 26: Risk Assessment record** (Soil Management and Conservation, Organic Manure/FYM, Environmental Impact of Water Resource Usage, Waste and Pollutant, Environment Conservation, Wildlife Conservation, New site, New Planting, Irrigation Water, Food safety during harvest and transportation)

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Visitor Safety Format

Do's	Don'ts
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Insist for an authorized person to accompany you.</li> <li>2. Follow required personnel hygiene procedures.</li> <li>3. Wear the protective cloting (if necessary) provided to you.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Drink or Eat during the work or field visit.</li> <li>2. Touch the fresh produce with bare hands.</li> <li>3. Smell, Sneeze or Cough on the produce.</li> <li>4. Peep into the tanks.</li> <li>5. Enter into the areas where crop protection chemicals have been sprayed recently.</li> <li>6. Smell the crop protection chemical spray tank or containers.</li> <li>7. Touch the crop protection chemical containers with bare hands.</li> </ul>



**Instruction 1: Nutrient Management Plan**

In order to maintain soil fertility, use the recommended nutrient based on the soil test report. Only use treated FYM and avoid from using human sewerage and sludge. Always use balanced nutrient.

1. While using nitrogen fertilizer, split it into doses.
2. Intercrop with legumes wherever feasible
3. Use other forms of organic nutrient sources
4. Avoid excess application of water

**Instruction 2: Soil Erosion, Minimisation and Prevention Plan**

1. Follow Sustainable Land Management practices to minimise soil loss
2. Use proper planting method in sloppy areas
3. Provide adequate drainage to minimise surface runoff
4. Construct bench terraces wherever required

**Instruction 3: Identification & Action Plan To Reduce Wastage/ Pollution on the Farm****A. Farm**

1. Enlist various type of wastes generated in the farm which can be segregated as Plastic, Metal, Glass, Waste Paper, Card Board, Wood, Waste Oil, Rubber
2. Identify sources of pollution like fuel store tanks, burning of agricultural residues, tanks of chemicals, fertilizers, surplus spray mix
3. Prevent contamination by proper disposal/treatment of household waste, sewage water & animal wastage
4. Wash the empty PP contains at least three times before disposal
5. Further segregate wastes into Hazardous & Non-Hazardous waste and compostable (degradable) & non-compostable (non-degradable) waste for proper disposal/treatment
6. Store the waste properly as per the statutory requirement

**B. Pack House**

1. Collect the waste generated during the operation in collection bins inside the pack house
2. Place the numbered bins at designated areas with different bins for different nature of waste
3. Dispose or treat the waste properly

**Instruction 4.: Visitor Safety**

Place the signboard on the entrance of farm with following information

<b><i>DOs</i></b>	<b><i>DON'Ts</i></b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Insist for an authorized person to accompany you.</li> <li>2. Follow required personnel hygiene procedures.</li> <li>3. Wear the protective clothing (if necessary) provided to you.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Drink or eat during the work or field visit.</li> <li>2. Smell, sneeze or cough over the fresh produce and chemical spray tanks/containers</li> <li>3. Touch the fresh produce and chemical containers with bare hands.</li> <li>4. Enter into the areas where crop protection chemicals are sprayed recently.</li> </ol>

**Instruction 5: Environment Conservation Plan**

Be committed to implement Environment Conservation Plan with help of local forest department & community

We will use integrated management systems for pest & disease and nutrition.

For energy conservation, we will use energy saving equipment, tools, renewable energy options

1. Write here baseline count of wild animals, other biodiversity of plant	
2. Impact of Farming on the Environment and Biodiversity	
3. Ecological Upgrading of Unproductive Sites	
4. Water Collection / Recycling	

**Instruction 6: Calibration Procedures**

Calibration of machineries and equipment has to be carried out by competent personals.

**A. For fertilizer**

1. Fertilizer application machinery should be calibrated annually for accurate delivery of defined quantity in an area.
2. Maintain documented records for verification of calibration within last 12 months that has been carried out.

**B. For Pesticide**

1. Spray equipment should be calibrated annually.
2. Maintain documented records for verification of calibration within last 12 months that has been carried out.

**C. Other machineries and equipment that require calibration are:**

1. Sprayer & Drip system for fertigation
2. HTPE Pump, pulleys, pipes available in manufactured by local experienced fabricators
3. Tractor
4. The pressure gauge

**Instruction 7: Hygiene Rules**

1. Wear protective clothing
2. Use antibacterial hand cleanser
3. Remove all jewellery and watches.
4. No smoking
5. No drinking or eating (including chewing gum).
6. No nail varnish or false nails
7. All cuts to be covered with a suitable bandage