

The PMNR/FMNR integration in the state policy.

Somaliland Presentation.

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FMNR integration in Somaliland Government policy.



The Workshop for developing ministry strategy plan 2021-2025 (Feb 2021).

- Ministry of Environment and Rural Development (MOERD) mainstreamed FMNR in National Strategy for 2021–2025 as one of the land restoration approaches.
- The ministry produces weekly radio talk program promoting P/FMNR practices and other sustainable land restoration practices in Somaliland.
- Ministry of Environment & Ministry of Agriculture technical staff have been trained on FMNR approach and become certified P/FMNR practitioners.



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National consultative conference on environment protection and conservation held in Burco, Jul 2021.

- Somaliland government created enabling policies and laws for re-greening efforts:
 - Forestry and Wildlife Conservation Law.
 - Environment conservation Law.
 - Climate Change Policy.
 - Somaliland Environmental Management Law.
- The Government conducted consultative conference on environment protection and conservation of biodiversity in 5 regions of Somaliland.
 - FMNR Champions participated in the conference and advocated FMNR uptake for land restoration.



Example of Land restored through FMNR in Somaliland.

Beerato village FMNR site, Odweyne district, Togdheer region BEFORE PHOTO

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• Significant achievement on adoption P/FMNR by Somaliland Government.

AFTER PHOTO



Challenges observed



• Recurrent droughts.

- Community movement in search of water and pasture.
- Tree cutting for charcoal production as source of income to survive.

• COVID 19

 Movement restriction has affected implementation progress of project activities and some activities have not been achieved.



Opportunities observed



 Support access to quality & appropriate germplasm that are drought tolerant varieties.

- Research centers like ISTVS plant tissue culture/propagation technologies Lab.
- Link P/FMNR champions and farmers groups to sources of quality and appropriate germplasm.

More funds to invest the project successful re-greening approaches.

- Promote the government institutions in the mainstreaming and adoption of P/FMNR in.
- Support government to enforce the policies and laws enabling for re-greening.



ISTVS plant tissue technologies Lab in Sheikh district, Somaliland.

Key lessons and messages

- The project funding was very small (EURO 500K). For Somaliland case huge investment is needed to significantly reverse vast area of degraded land.
- Government engagement and involvement enabled quality interventions and ensured project sustainability.
- Intra-district/village farmer to farmer FMNR exposure visit for co-learning has increased confidence on FMNR approach by the rural communities.
- Other international development agencies among FAO, OXFAM, CARE, and ACF embraced FMNR project model as effective and sustainable land restoration approach in Somali context.
 - FAO sub-granted WV to implement FMNR in 18 villages under Odweyne and Burco district.
 - WV leads SomRep Consortium of partners including CARE, OXFAM, ACF. Which integrated P/FMNR land restoration approach in SomRep program.



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