



Rural Development Project

Tajikistan

Rural Development Project (RDP)

Sustainable Pasture, Arable and Forest Land Management (SPAFLM)

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RDP – Five Components:

Policy and Institutional Development and Reform:	US\$2.10
Sustainable Land Management:	US\$4.17
Agriculture and Rural Business Support:	US\$6.27
Rural Infrastructure Improvement:	US\$6.18
Project Management	US\$3.05
Total Cost with contingencies etc	US\$23.3

RDP effective mid 2009 – end 31.3.2014

SPAFLM started August 2010

Executing Agency: Ministry of Agriculture



RDP

The project, through a series of individual contracts/initiatives, supports pasture development, farm business services, institutional support, infrastructure, credit and education. The focus for most of these activities is on representative landscapes and agro-ecosystems in five *raions* close to Dushanbe (Faisabad, Vahdat Varzob Rogun and Rudaki).



SPAFLM (Contract 3 of RDP)

Focuses on Components 1 and 2 of RDP namely:

- Policy and Institutional Development and Reform
- Sustainable Land Management

Implemented by GITEC (Germany) and DMC (Tajikistan)



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Key Activities:

- Sector Assessment – policy and strategy document providing visions, a road map and investment programme to support the sector – covers institutional, legal, tenure as well as pastureland management
- A series of integrated demonstrations
- Biodiversity monitoring programmes



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Achievements to date:

- Sector Assessment final report due October 2011 –sets out what we know, identifies knowledge gaps and provides a road map/investment programme for the future
- Ten demonstration sites – 80 specific fodder trials many more to come: livestock, pasture groups etc
- Biodiversity (35 sites) and PRA (30) surveys completed – the latter providing input into the demonstrations



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International Pasture Conference 28-30 June

- To provide input into the Sector Assessment

Themes:

- Policy, legal and institutional
- Learning from neighbours (experience from similar countries)
- Land stewardship
- Increasing productivity
- Implementation
- Where do we go from here?



**Our focus:
the Rangelands of Tajikistan**

**Faizabad, Rogun, Rudaki,
Vahdat, Varzob**

**Executing Agency:
Ministry of Agriculture**

1. PRAs – 30 to date



Rogun – December 2010

Project output #3
Demonstration sites #1

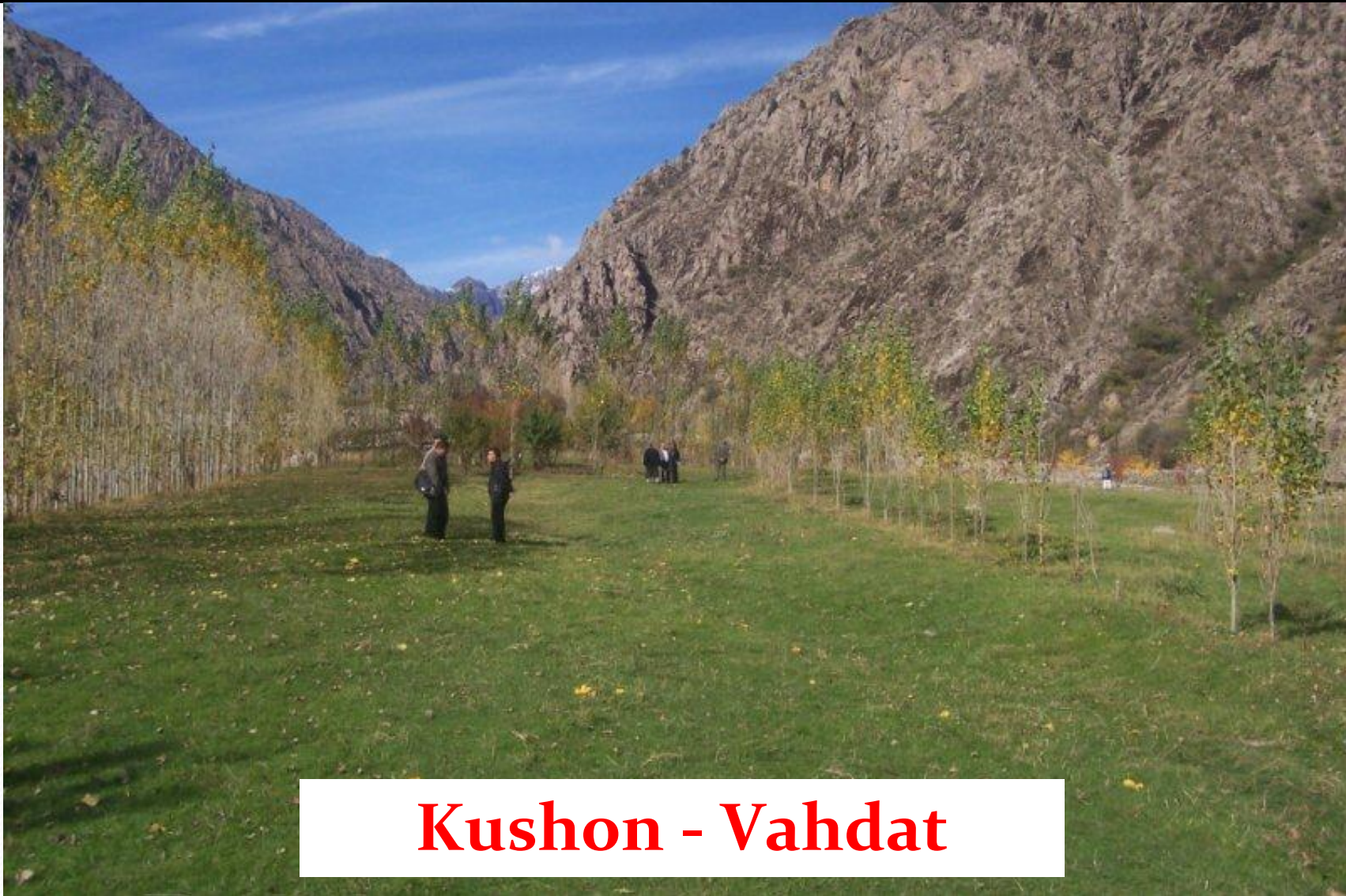


Example #1

Project output #3

Demonstration sites #2

Now: stone clearing, walled pasture, tree clearing



Kushon - Vahdat

Demonstrate (value add):
fertiliser use, check dam, trickle irrigation,
orchard trees, vegetables...



Outcomes: more & better quality pasture, more water availability (summer), more trees (orchard), more/healthier animals, income, etc

Example #2

Project output #3

Demonstration sites #2

Gully erosion - control

Vahdat - now



Possible: SRI station - Faisabad



Outcomes: reduce erosion losses, improved river quality, plant species to be coppiced and fed animals, soil Carbon...

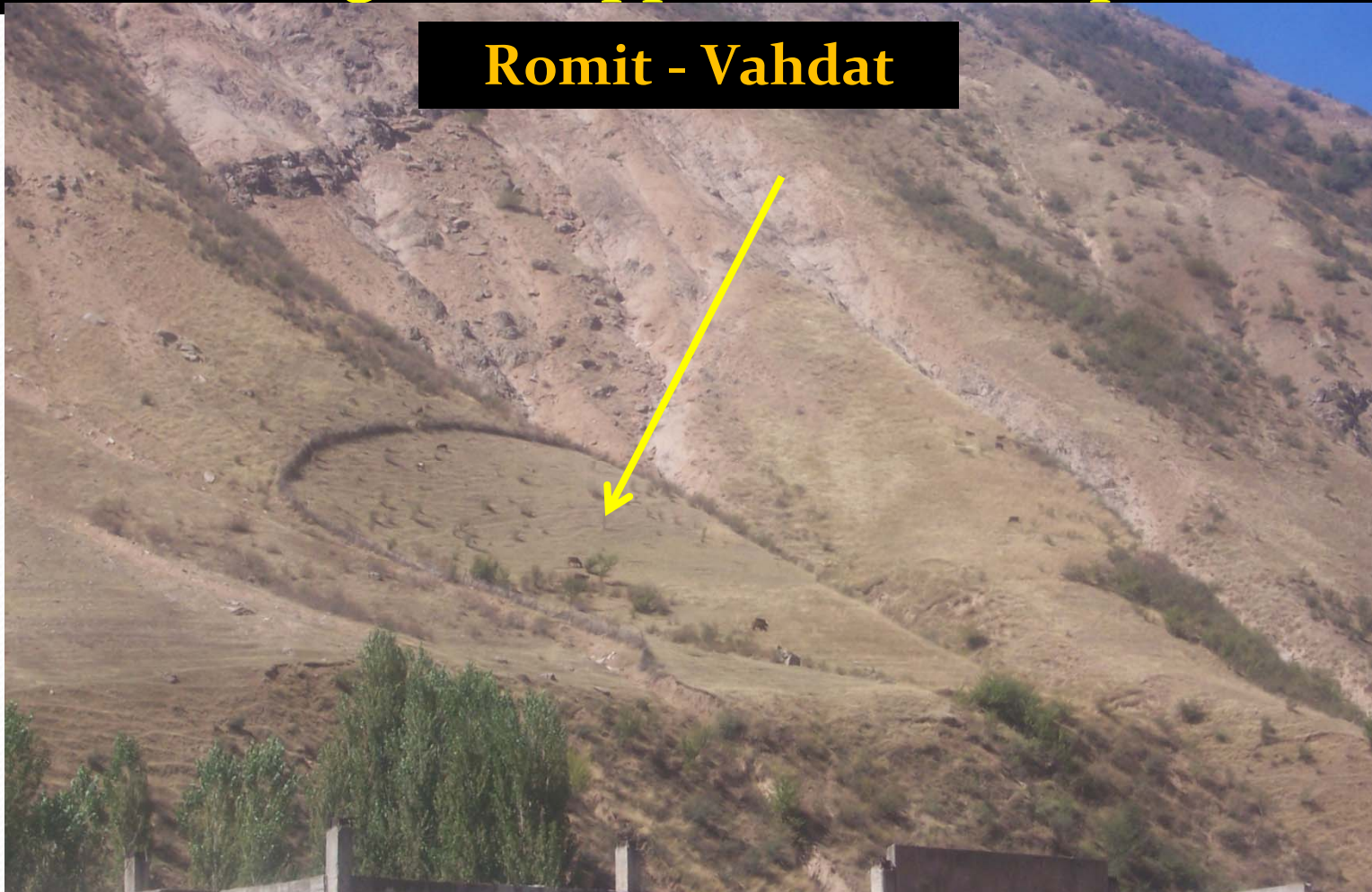
Example #3

Project output #3

Demonstration sites #3

Integrated approach - example

Romit - Vahdat



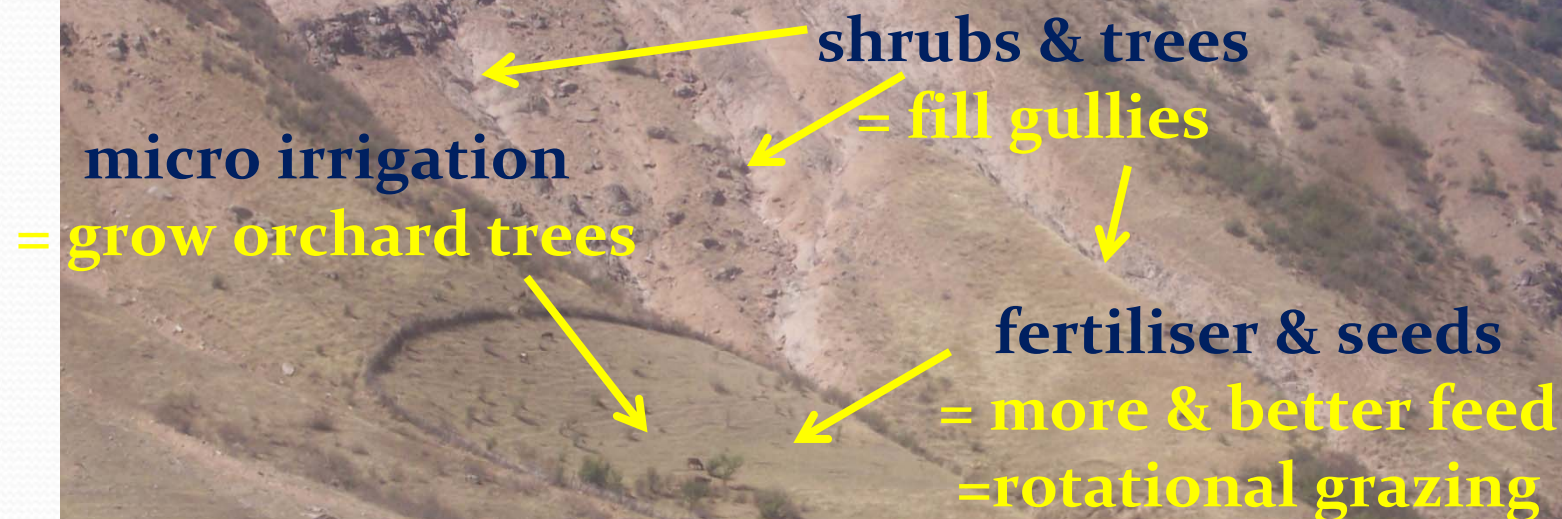
Now: enclosure fence & a few trees

Example #3

Project output #3

Demonstration sites #3

Possible integrated project interventions:



Outcomes: reduced erosion , improved feed quality, orchard trees, >Carbon levels...



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<1 year old

-We have only just begun.....

Much done...much to do...

** Co-operation sought **

Thank-you



"Healthy land for healthy
production is my Future"