

# OFFICIAL FEEDBACK FORM

<b>DIALOGUE DATE</b>	Thursday, 9 September 2021 10:00 GMT +06:00
<b>DIALOGUE TITLE</b>	Scope of Research and Technological Intervention for a Sustainable Food System in Bangladesh
<b>CONVENED BY</b>	Bangladesh Agricultural University (BAU)
<b>DIALOGUE EVENT PAGE</b>	<a href="https://summitdialogues.org/dialogue/43324/">https://summitdialogues.org/dialogue/43324/</a>
<b>DIALOGUE TYPE</b>	Independent
<b>GEOGRAPHICAL FOCUS</b>	Bangladesh

The outcomes from a Food Systems Summit Dialogue will be of use in developing the pathway to sustainable food systems within the locality in which they take place. They will be a valuable contribution to the national pathways and also of interest to the different workstreams preparing for the Summit: the Action Tracks, Scientific Groups and Champions as well as for other Dialogues.

# 1. PARTICIPATION

## TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

83

## PARTICIPATION BY AGE RANGE

0-18

20

19-30

15

31-50

45

51-65

3

66-80

80+

## PARTICIPATION BY GENDER

65 Male

13 Female

Prefer not to say or Other

## NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS IN EACH SECTOR

Agriculture/crops

Fish and aquaculture

Livestock

Agro-forestry

Environment and ecology

Trade and commerce

63

Education

Communication

Food processing

Food retail, markets

Food industry

Financial Services

Health care

Nutrition

6

National or local government

Utilities

Industrial

14

Other

## NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS FROM EACH STAKEHOLDER GROUP

Small/medium enterprise/artisan

Large national business

Multi-national corporation

Small-scale farmer

Medium-scale farmer

Large-scale farmer

Local Non-Governmental Organization

12 International Non-Governmental Organization

Indigenous People

63 Science and academia

Workers and trade union

Member of Parliament

Local authority

6

Government and national institution

Regional economic community

2

United Nations

International financial institution

Private Foundation / Partnership / Alliance

Consumer group

Other

## 2. PRINCIPLES OF ENGAGEMENT

### HOW DID YOU ORGANIZE THE DIALOGUE SO THAT THE PRINCIPLES WERE INCORPORATED, REINFORCED AND ENHANCED?

The independent dialogue was organized to solicit inputs and insights for the Food System Summit through an understanding of the scope of Research and Technological Intervention for a sustainable food system in Bangladesh. Organized by the Department of Food Technology and Rural Industries (DFT&RI)- Bangladesh Agricultural University (BAU) and Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN), the Dialogue brought a diversity of stakeholders from livestock (Animal Husbandry and Veterinary), Fisheries, Agriculture, Food Processing, Nutrition, Agricultural Engineering, Cooperation and Marketing Environmental Science representatives- both from government and non-government sectors of the country working across in food chain from production to consumption.

### HOW DID YOUR DIALOGUE REFLECT SPECIFIC ASPECTS OF THE PRINCIPLES?

The dialogue began with familiarizing the participants through a keynote presentation on “Food System Approach for Food and Nutrition Security” by Prof. Dr. Shams-Uddin. He focused on the existing challenges of our food system due to demand and supply competition. He also opined the tools to tackle the challenges are innovative and sustainable technologies that are largely ensured by different issue-focused research. From the valuable discussion of Vice-Chancellor, BAU Managing Director, Small Farmers Development Foundation, Dean Faculty of Agricultural Engineering and Technology, Member, Food Safety Authority and Key Note Speaker, it was concluded in such a way that, in ensuring access to sufficient safe and nutritious foods, research works and innovative technological interventions should be dedicated to: 1. Increasing yields of field crops, livestock and fisheries keeping the balance of our ecosystems such as balance among CO<sub>2</sub>, water, biodiversity and soil. 2. Reduction of hazardous practices including adulteration in the entire food supply chain. 3. Reduction of food loss and waste through effective post-harvest management, recycling management (Circular economy) and localized Food Banks in vulnerable areas. 4. Dietary transition and sustainable diet guidelines to reframe production. 5. Nutrition research in line with nutrigenomics, food fortification and smart food preparation. 6. Shifting from ultra-processing to medium & minimum processing and fresh preservation technology. 7. Food resilience: Capacity to withstand shock and to bounce back like we are doing now dealing with the COVID-19 Pandemic situation 8. Food sovereignty: Control of the small groups on the food supply.

### DO YOU HAVE ADVICE FOR OTHER DIALOGUE CONVENORS ABOUT APPRECIATING THE PRINCIPLES OF ENGAGEMENT?

The dialogue convener should take care of the fact that each participant can express their views. No one should discourage anyone from arguing or putting his/her viewpoint however skewed it may appear to be. Any view, might or might not be relevant, should be listened to with proper respect. The participants must adopt a Brainstorming approach to discuss every problem. So, we appreciate the principles of such participatory engagement.

# 3. METHOD

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The outcomes of a Dialogue are influenced by the method that is used.

**DID YOU USE THE SAME METHOD AS RECOMMENDED BY THE CONVENORS REFERENCE MANUAL?**

**Yes**

**No**

# 4. DIALOGUE FOCUS & OUTCOMES

## MAJOR FOCUS

Details are in the attached report

### ACTION TRACKS

- Action Track 1: Ensure access to safe and nutritious food for all
- Action Track 2: Shift to sustainable consumption patterns
- Action Track 3: Boost nature-positive production
- Action Track 4: Advance equitable livelihoods
- Action Track 5: Build resilience to vulnerabilities, shocks and stress

### KEYWORDS

- Finance
- Innovation
- Human rights
- Women & Youth Empowerment
- Policy
- Data & Evidence
- Governance
- Trade-offs
- Environment and Climate

## MAIN FINDINGS

Details are mentioned in the attached report

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## OUTCOMES FOR EACH DISCUSSION TOPIC

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Policy                  |
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## AREAS OF DIVERGENCE

There were no major areas of divergence among participants.

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# ATTACHMENTS AND RELEVANT LINKS

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## ATTACHMENTS

- **Dialogue Report- BAU- GAIN Independent Dialogue**  
<https://summitdialogues.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/BAU-GAIN-Independent-Dialogue-Report.pdf>