



Small Holder Farmers Climate Change challenges

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- Small Holder farmers are generally resource poor farmers
- Impact of drought or any other natural disaster has greater impact
- Climate change compounds existing challenges



Limited Capacity of Small Holder Farmers

- Assets – Land & Water
 - Financial Assets
 - Physical Assets
- Knowledge & Technology
- Innovation
- Extension
- Market engagement
- Forward Planning



ASSETS

- The availability of key assets in order to respond
- Water rights & registration
- Access to Land
- Financial Assets – extremely limited
- Physical Assets – implements, tools, storage facilities and inputs



- Knowledge, Technology & Innovation
- Access to appropriate knowledge & technology
- Participatory Research



Extension & Support

- The ability to access effective extension
- Access to support system



Market Engagement

- No role in Climate change
- Markets to advise on production requirements
- Secure prices
- Invest in small holder to adapt to climate change



Forward Planning

- Short-term timeframes
- Key Barrier to adapt to drought
- Lack of capacity – resource poor small holder farmers

Thank you

