

## Quiz for Stakeholder Forum Answers and Explanations

	Question	Choices	Answer	Explanation
1	Which one of the following statements is the main objectives of the Stakeholder Forum?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To start contract farming.</li> <li>2. To encourage the market stakeholders to buy horticultural produce through government.</li> <li>3. To establish direct sale stores for smallholder farmers.</li> <li>4. To help the target farmers understand where and what business opportunities exist in their local areas.</li> </ol>	4	The main objective of the Stakeholder Forum is to show to the target farmers income generating opportunities in agriculture by establishing linkages with various market stakeholders.
2	Who should be invited to the Stakeholder Forum?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Only those buyers who are already trading with smallholder farmers.</li> <li>2. A wide variety of buyers in the formal market such as supermarket chains and international traders.</li> <li>3. A variety of market stakeholders including buyers, middlemen, seed companies/stores, microfinance institutions and so on.</li> <li>4. Market stakeholders such as buyers and middlemen in the capital city.</li> </ol>	3	The main objectives of the Stakeholder Forum are to show the target farmers a business opportunity in horticultural farming and to help them establish business linkages with a variety of market actors. Thus, not only buyers but other market stakeholders should be invited and such invitees should be easily accessed from farmers' locations.
3	Which one of the arrangements is recommended for smooth implementation of Stakeholder Forum?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. All the members of the target farmer groups participate in the Forum.</li> <li>2. The invitation letter will be sent to the market stakeholders well beforehand.</li> <li>3. The extension staff do not need to attend the Forum.</li> <li>4. The largest conference room at a hotel in the capital city should be booked as a venue of the Forum.</li> </ol>	2	If the invitation letter is sent to the prospective participants, their attendance will be ensured.
4	Which one of the	1. The number of participants should be restricted.	1	The number of participants should be

	following statements is an effective tip for the success of Stakeholder Forum?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Only buyers of horticultural crops are invited.</li> <li>3. The staff from the central government should be the main facilitators of the Forum.</li> <li>4. The Forum should be three days long.</li> </ol>		restricted to an appropriate level. Too many participants make active discussions difficult.
5	What arrangement needs to be made to cut down the cost of organizing the Stakeholder Forum without damaging the effectiveness of the Forum?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Invite only one representative from each farmer group.</li> <li>2. Do not arrange tables and chairs.</li> <li>3. Organize the forum at a government building, rather than at a hotel.</li> <li>4. Do not send invitation letters to the market stakeholders.</li> </ol>	3	Organizing the Forum at a hotel usually costs a lot of money. If a government building is used, a significant cost reduction will result.
6	Which of the following comments from the market stakeholders should you experience after the Stakeholder Forum?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A vegetable trader says, "If I buy vegetables from the SHEP farmers, the government will give me some financial support."</li> <li>2. A microfinance institute says, "I am willing to give loans to SHEP farmers because if they cannot repay their debt, the government will pay instead."</li> <li>3. An NGO says, "We do not want to support SHEP farmers because we want to do our project independently without any interference from the government or other projects."</li> <li>4. A middleman says, "I do not mind trading in kilograms rather than in bags if SHEP farmers prefer that way."</li> </ol>	4	The government's role in the Stakeholder Forum is to facilitate linkages between SHEP farmers and market stakeholders. The government is not supposed to get involved in any monetary transactions.