Quiz for Stakeholder Forum

Answers and Explanations

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|  | Question | Choices | Answer | Explanation |
| 1 | Which one of the following statements is the main objectives of the Stakeholder Forum? | 1. To start contract farming. 2. To encourage the market stakeholders to buy horticultural produce through government. 3. To establish direct sale stores for smallholder farmers. 4. To help the target farmers understand where and what business opportunities exist in their local areas. | 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? | 1. Only those buyers who are already trading with smallholder farmers. 2. A wide variety of buyers in the formal market such as supermarket chains and international traders. 3. A variety of market stakeholders including buyers, middlemen, seed companies/stores, microfinance institutions and so on. 4. Market stakeholders such as buyers and middlemen in the capital city. | 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? | 1. All the members of the target farmer groups participate in the Forum. 2. The invitation letter will be sent to the market stakeholders well beforehand. 3. The extension staff do not need to attend the Forum. 4. The largest conference room at a hotel in the capital city should be booked as a venue of the Forum. | 2 | If the invitation letter is sent to the prospective participants, their attendance will be ensured. |
| 4 | Which one of the following statements is an effective tip for the success of Stakeholder Forum? | 1. The number of participants should be restricted. 2. Only buyers of horticultural crops are invited. 3. The staff from the central government should be the main facilitators of the Forum. 4. The Forum should be three days long. | 1 | The number of participants should be 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? | 1. Invite only one representative from each farmer group. 2. Do not arrange tables and chairs. 3. Organize the forum at a government building, rather than at a hotel. 4. Do not send invitation letters to the market stakeholders. | 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? | 1. A vegetable trader says, "If I buy vegetables from the SHEP farmers, the government will give me some financial support." 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." 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." 4. A middleman says, "I do not mind trading in kilograms rather than in bags if SHEP farmers prefer that way." | 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. |