# TECHNOLOGY FOR SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOODS

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### Tech. Strategy for SL(TSSL)

- Improve productivity of assets
- Enhance capabilities and new opportunities
- Env. &socio-economically sustainable
- Facilitates self-empowerment
- Improves communications, networking, etc
- Builds synergy between outside and local knowledge

### Systems Approach to TSSL

- Portfolio of technologies
- Change over time in tech & conditions
- Best tech suitable to local requirements
- Tech mix for all aspects of SL system
- Improve productivity of assets including re-use of waste
- Use trans-disciplinary research framework

## Institutional framework for TSSL

- Community level :action, pilots, etc
- Provincial: alignment, support-interface between policies and action
- National:Strategic direction to development and diffusion of technology
- Research Institutions Civil Society interactions to focus S&T agenda on SL
- National –International linkages

### **Community Participation**

- Obstacles: Politics, Ethnicity, Literacy, Culture, Gender, etc
- Whose livelihoods are stake? Who leads the process?
- Team composition for cross-cultural and transdisciplinary approach.
- Ensuring synergy with, not displacement of, local knowledge.
- Community to Community learning.

#### **Case Studies**

- Development Alternatives (DA) IN India
- Las Gaviotas in Columbia
- Grameen Phone in Bangladesh
- Mixed grains, mixed herds in agropastoralism in Africa
- Bio-villages in India
- These are all limited applications of what is possible.