



# Re-Thinking the Economics of Agriculture: Fiscal and Valuation Frameworks.

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### AGRICULTURAL FISCAL POLICIES



### Global agricultural subsidies

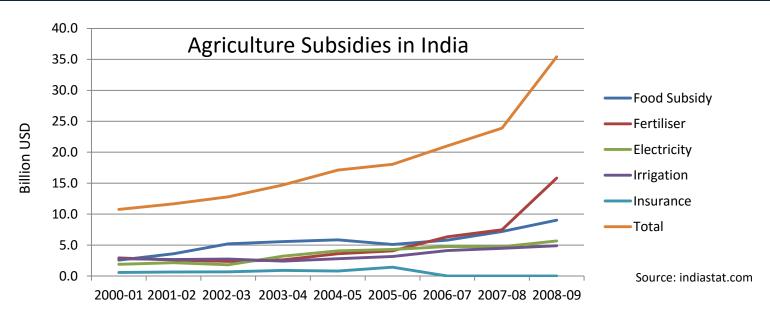
Farmers in the world's top 21 food-producing countries, mostly being developed countries (2/3 consisting of OECD countries) are responsible for nearly 80 percent of global agricultural markets, received about USD 486 billion as agricultural subsidies in 2012 (worldwatch.org, 2014)

Country	Agricultural GDP (in billion USD)	Agricultural GDP as % of Total GDP	Total Support Estimates (in billion USD)	Total Support Estimates as % of Agricultural GDP
China	949.50	9.16%	327.53	34.50%
European Union	280.71	1.52%	140.77	50.15%
United States	251.84	1.45%	93.07	36.96%
Indonesia	121.94	13.72%	32.00	26.24%
Turkey	64.23	8.03%	18.20	28.34%
Japan	55.56	1.21%	56.10	100.97%
Korea	33.02	2.34%	26.31	79.67%
Colombia	25.18	6.67%	6.54	25.99%

Source: OECD 2015, World Bank Data 2014



### Agricultural subsidies in India



Agriculture Subsidies in India							
(Rs. in Crore)							
Year	Total	USD Billion					
2000-01	50,771	10.8					
2001-02	56,747	11.7					
2002-03	59,679	12.8					
2003-04	66,625	14.7					
2004-05	75 <i>,</i> 542	17.1					
2005-06	81,752	18.0					
2006-07	86,943	21.0					
2007-08	103,936	23.9					
2008-09	171,508	35.4					

 During the period 2004-05 to 2008-09 while agricultural GDP grew by 70%, (from USB 108 billion to USD 160 billion), while subsidies grew at double the pace at little more than 140%



# Negative consequences of 'Green Revolution' in India

## Depleting ground water

- In 1960 135,000 ha was irrigated by tube wells this has risen by 213 % to 28,948,000 ha in 2010 in India
- Groundwater tables are falling in many areas of the country, from around 20 cm per year in Punjab to 3 to 5 metres per year in parts of Gujarat

### **Eutrophication**

- Fertilizer use in Punjab increased from 38.7 kg/ha to 241.6 kg/ha in 2010-2011
  - Water quality of major rivers are degrading. Beas B, Satluj- B, Ghaggar D.

### **Monoculture**

- The Diversification Index (DI) for the state as a whole declined from 0.707 in 1970-71 to 0.591 in 2001-02
  - Higher risk of pest attacks

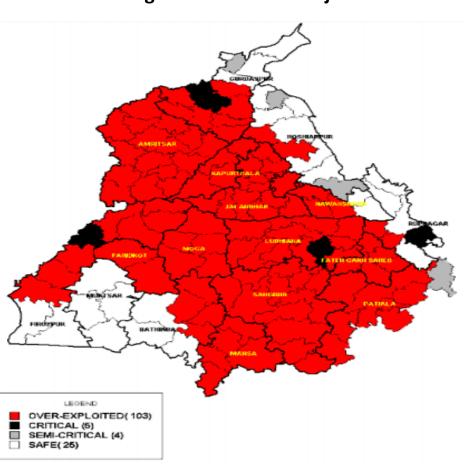
#### **Pesticide Use**

- 1955-56 the pesticide consumption was about 15 gm/ha72, which increased to 90 gm/ha in 1965-66, and in 1990-91 it reached a peak of 405 gm/ha before declining to 265 gm/ha in 1998-99
  - High instance of poisoning from pesticide in Punjab

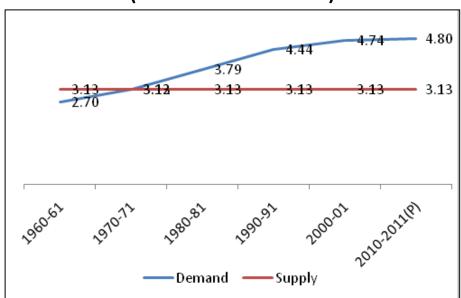


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### **Status of ground water in Punjab**



## Water Demand and Supply in the state of Punjab (Million hectare meter)



Source: GIST Advisory, 2013

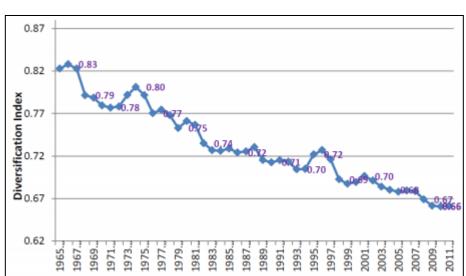


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### Trends in crop diversification Index in Punjab

Pesticide contamination of different food and feed commodities in Punjab

Commodity	Year	No of samples	No of samples contaminated	Nature of residues
Commounty		Samples	contaminated	residues
	1984-			
Cereals	85	30	30	DDT,HCH
	1990-			
Rice grain	98	99	99	HCH
	1990-			
Vegetables	98	96	73	DDT,HCH
Animal	1984-			
feed	89	15	15	DDT,HCH



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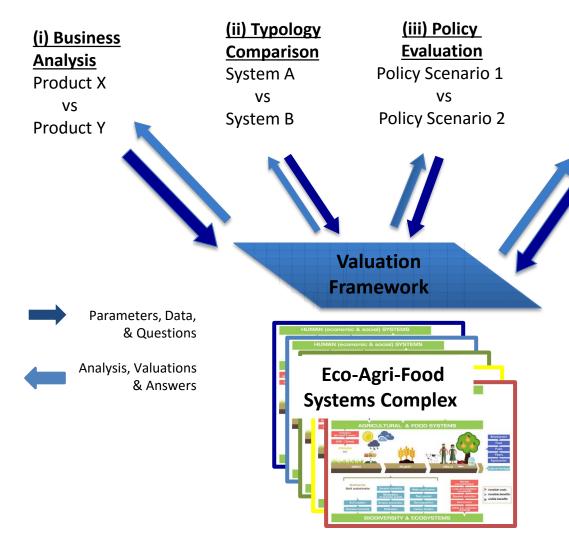




# AGRICULTURAL VALUATION FRAMEWORKS



# Four "Valuation Approaches" supported by One Universal "Valuation Framework"



## (iv) National Accounting

Unadjusted GDP vs
Environmentally
Adjusted GDP

### **Principles**

- Holistic View of "Agriculture"
- Anthropocentric Perspective
- Indicators of Value: Economic, Social, Resilience

### **Components**

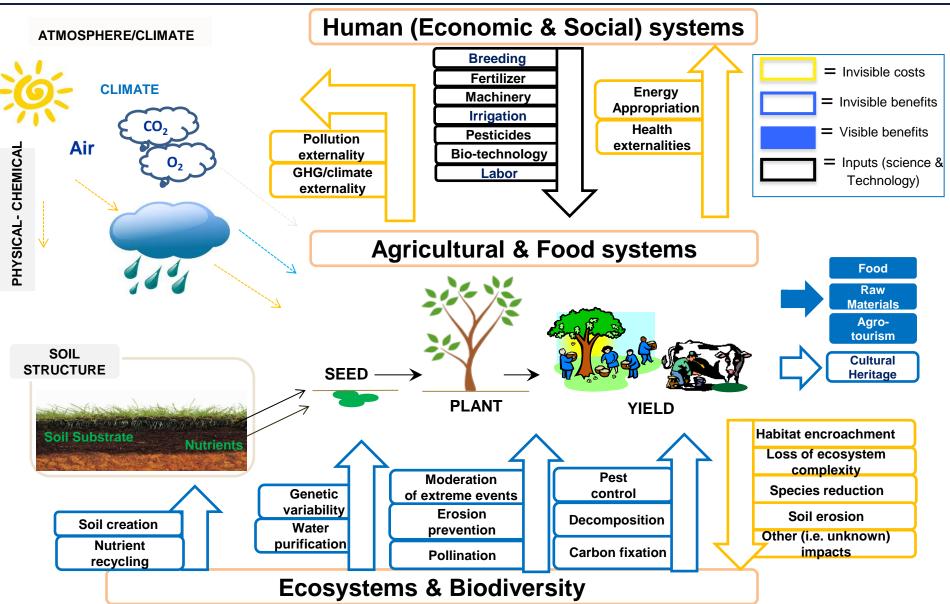
- Accounted Values (GDP components)
- Unaccounted Values (Externalities)
- Typology of Systems & Practices
- Value Chain Boundaries
- Scope of Evaluation



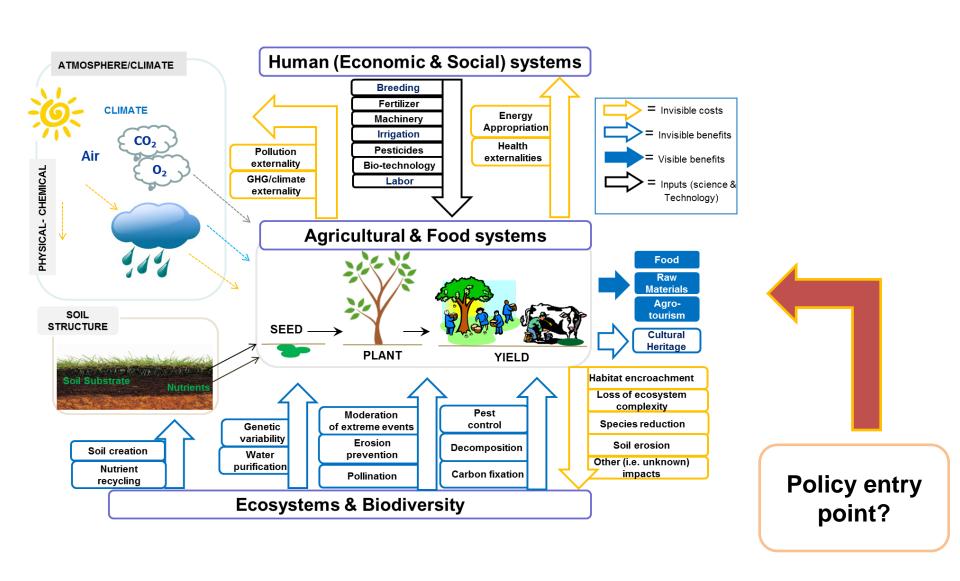
# Valuation Framework – Externalities and Value Chain Boundaries

"VALUE- ADDITION"	Production		Processing & Distribution			Consumption		
Visibles & EXTERNALITIES	Natural Land- scape	Infra & Mfg	Farm	Wholesale	F&B	Retail	Industry/ Household/ Hospitality	Waste Mngmt
<u>Visibles</u> (Profits, Wages, Taxes net of Subsidies, etc)								
Provisioning (Materials, Energy, etc)								
Regulating (Soil, Water, etc)								
Cultural (lifestyle, heritage)								
<b>Health</b> (Accidents, Diseases, Antibiotic Resistance, etc)								
<b>Pollution</b> (Nitrates, Pesticides, Heavy metals, etc)								
Climate (CO <sub>2</sub> ; CH <sub>4</sub> ; etc)								
<b>Social Values</b> (food security; women's empowerment; etc								
Risks & Uncertainties (Resilience; Health; etc)								

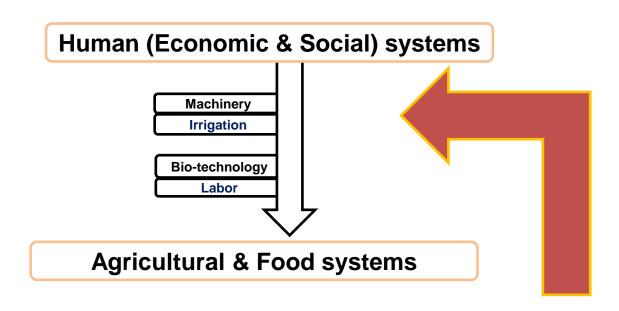




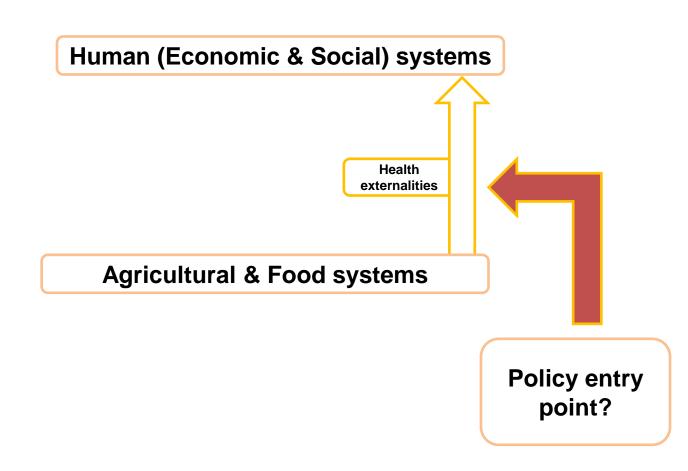




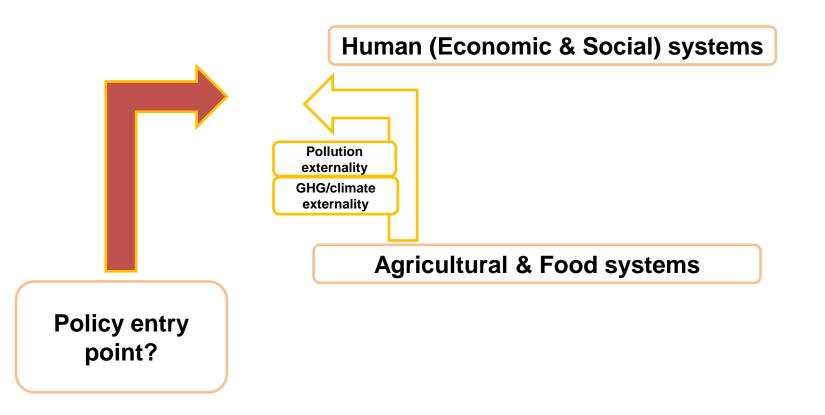














# Forge compatibility of agricultural Fiscal incentives with REDD+

- Conversion of forests to cropland and pasture is the leading cause of deforestation (Mattern, 2009)
- Fiscal policies and incentives greatly influence land use behavior and changes.
- Fiscal policies have not been systematically examined as part of REDD+ readiness. Public policy and related fiscal policy and incentives must seek coherence across sectors, in order to overcome inherent conflicts between sectors, and to send the right signals.
- REDD+ will help rethink fiscal incentives for agricultural commodities as part of Countries National REDD+ Strategies and Actions Plans.



## Thank You!

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