











Achievements year-II Algeria

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"Use of conservation agriculture in crop-livestock systems (CLCA) in the drylands for enhanced water use efficiency, soil fertility and productivity in NEN and LAC countries"



Assessment of the adoption of CLCA on soil erosion, SOM and WUE

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Assessment of the adoption of CLCA on soil erosion, SOM and WUE

1.1. The results from first year : 2018/2019



During this first year the average yield for all species is almost similar for the two systems and the difference is not significant (no more than 01 Q/ ha).

1.2. WUE under CA in M'sila



• The yield is higher in ZT with sprinkler irrigation, but the yield is higher in submersion, with a difference of 01 Q / ha,

• This difference does not cover the loads, and the ZT in sprinkling is more profitable.



influence of CA on the rate of water infiltration, and the comparison between the two systems.



1.3. Grain yield and water efficiency of durum wheat and Barely under rainfed mode



ZT CS

WUE in rainfed conditions of barely at Ain Mlila and Setif sites is more important in ZT compared to CS, with a difference of 9 to 15%.

WUE =
$$\frac{P(\frac{q}{h})}{W(mm)}$$
 ou $\frac{P(kg)}{ETR(mm)}$

P : YIELD (Q/ha)ETR : water consumption during wheat production cycle



1.4. evolution of 4 sowing methods in Setif

The difference in soil humidity is not significant between the 04 modes at the end of the cycle and the yield gain obtained is due to the high rate of lift and depth control in ZT, more there is more moisture in the soil during the beginning phases of the crop.



1- 4- Effect of no-till and grazing on the physical property of the so



After two years of overgrazing and with the absence of tillage, there is an increase in the bulk density of the soil as well as the resistivity (Penetrometer), which negatively influences the porosity of the soil.

N.B: A load of 25 heads per hectare over a period of 10 days (recommendations 5-10 heads with a duration of 20 days).

1.5. Estimating wheat biomass using fractional green canopy cover

Wheat canopy cover was measured using the mobile device application, Canopeo® at different height to capture three rows of crops (camera height and length of row varied based on canopy height).





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Socio economic activities

1. CONVENTIONNAL SURVEY

- a) Key informant tool for the enhancement of crop–livestock systems under conservation agriculture (CLCA)".
- Objective : enabling policy and institutional options to promote CLCA adoption
- sample 140 farms: 117 were surveyed

b) 2nd survey with a sample of 140 farms in setif and OEB to identify a farm typology (in course)

2. FOCUS GROUP

a focus group was held with 16 women farmers in setif to provide informations about their activities and their perception on CA

3. Economic Evaluation of CA technology

c) Financial feasibility of investing in no-till drill – Boudour Seeder

Perceived Effectiveness of Agricultural Transfer Methods for CLCA improved Technologies: Evidence from extension and technical agents in Algeria

Extension Survey Results



EFFECTIVENESS OF THE AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SYSTEM



Frequency Percent

PRIORITY ACTIVITIES IN STRENGTHENING AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION AND ADVISORY SYSTEMS

	Mean rank	rank
increase technical capacity of extensions agents	8,04	1st
increase number of experts and subject matter specialists	8,13	2nd
enhance capacity of extension program managers and agents on participatory and new extension approaches	8,21	3rd
Increase capacity of extension personnel on marketing value chain and post harvest	8,23	4th
enhance capacity of extension program managers and agents on inclusion of woman as direct beneficiaries	8,37	5Th
organize farmers into farmers associations/orgaizations./community	8,63	6th
increase number of extension services	8,80	7th
stregthen information and communication technology for farmers -(SMS expert systems; online discussions)	8,80	8th
change the extension policy toward more decentralization	8,87	9th
change the extension policy toward more market oriented approaches	8,92	10th
develop model farms and conduct on farm reserach and demonstration activities	8,94	11th
establish / enhance connections with universities ; reserach and development institutions and organizations	8,96	12 th
devlopimprove training facilities and equipment at the regional and sub regional offices	9,13	13th
increase number of vehicles available for extension activities	9,22	14th
stregthen the involvment of agricultural inputs companies in extension services	9,59	15th
develop or enhance private advisory services to serve medium to large farmers or farmers associations against direct payment	9,91	16tb
involve private campanies in delivering services to serve medium to large farmers or farmers associations against	12,25	
direct payment		17th

Effectiveness of agricultural technology transfer methods for CLCA improved technologies

	Mean Rank	rank
extension staff visits	4,91	1st
farmers field school	4,92	2nd
study groups traveling worshops training	5,19	3rd
School lecture	5,29	4th
individual farm visit	5,44	5Th
research center -(demonstration center trials)	5,48	6th
hh/neighbouring	5,80	7th
farmers to farmers	5,90	8th
mass media - radio	5,98	9th
field days	6,09	10 th

FACTORS AFFECTING EFFECTIVENESS OF THE EXTENSION METHODES

	Mean	Rank
type of farmer being targeted	5,17	1st
Cost of the extension method	5,21	2nd
age of extension officers	7,43	3rd
sex of extension officers	7,44	4th
ability to reach women beneficiaries	7,49	5Th
sociocultural conditions of the farmer	7,62	6th
number of farmers per extension officer and categories of farmers	7,65	7th
qualifications/ skills of extension officers	7,77	8th
location and avaibility of extension offices	7,84	9th
years of experience of extension services	7,92	10th
avaibility of resources (transport for extension officers ; information technology and equipment)	7,99	11th
economic conditions of the farmer	8,00	12 th
nature of the technology transferred (elements of the technology)	8,40	13th
geographic location of the farmer	9,07	14th

Potential impacts of extension activities on the livelihood of adopters/ plannersof CLCA Technologies

	Mean	rank
improved the nutrition qualityof your hh	3,01	
		1st
improved your ability to identify your own needs and problems and to solve them	3,67	
		2nd
increased your rate of adoption of new clca technologies	3,86	
		3rd
improved your abilities to effectively understand marketing issues	3,90	
		4th
improved your managment practices	4,23	
		5Th
improved the food security of your hh	4,84	
		6th
decreased the farming work burden	5,52	
		7th
improved your farm production yield and profitability	6,97	
		8th

Economic evaluation of conservation agriculture practice in comparison with the conventional system under the crop-livestock system

Year : 2016- 2017	Minimum tillage	CA	Conventional Seeding
M'Sila site (under irrigation)	1.774	2.019	1.960
Setif Site (rainfed area)	2.428	3.292	3.327

Rotation:2017/18 - 2018/19

Setif Site (rainfed area)	Wheat / Barley	Wheat / feedpea	Wheat / vetch-oat
	0.4	1.5	0.6
	Wheat / lentil	Barley / feed pea	Barely / vetch
	1.4	1.2	4.6
M'Sila site (under irrigation)	Barley / barley	Wheat / barley	
	0.1	0.5	



Gender perception towards CLCA practices



1.1. The results from first year : 2018/2019



Work burden between women and men



stables cleaning of the stables •livestockFeeding of, allotment (small + female) •7:00 am milking •

Verification of the livestock health (make vaccines; care in case of illnesses) •

- 30 % woman takes out the livestock for grazing
- 1pm return of the herd; animal inspection
- supplemental Feeding •
 Bring out the livestock for grazing (summer days) •

5pm return of the livestock to stables Inspection of livestock and feeding livestock until 10 p.m (mixt livestock ovines +bovines).

Women Perception on CLCA package I

Postive Attitude

Lessen the work burden
Gain of time
More profitability than CS (the charges of the

Negative attitude

problems of weed control (price of glyphosat)
no availibility of direct seeders and if available the prices are too high
Necessity of a powerful tractor
Information lack on the technique
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Women Perception on Clca package II

conservation agriculture, animal husbandry, animal health; livestock feed ...)

request extension system agents to inform and invite women farmers to extension days



03

Optimization of pastures on stubble under CA in semi-arid zones.

The stubbles were estimated at the three wilaya of the project between June and august (Sétif, Oum El Bouaghi and M'sila)

The observations were taken before and after grazing ewes

The biomass was estimated by tons of dry matter left on the ground (tons DM/ha)



1.1. Stuble Biomass in the project zone: 2018/2019



Stuble yield tons/ha



Stuble evolution during grazing (Tons/ha)



The grazing ewes during less than 20 days left more stubles on the ground







Quantity of leaves stems and spiks after less than 20 days of grazing -Initial biomass quantities are very variable in each of project site. With a minimum of 0,37 t/ha to maximum of 4,93 t/ha

- the most important biomass permits the increase of stocking head per hectrare more than five or ten

- Grazing more than 20 days the stubble quality become lesser

Reduction of stubble grazing by introduction of oat pea hay

Ewes Control lot

-- stubble grazing

- -0.75kg Oat or barley hay/ head
- Concentrate 500g / Head

Ewes Experimental lot

-1.3 Kg of Oat Hay Pea /Head

- 500 g of concentrate / Head

225,88±30,36

Average daily gain

238,85±25,73

the difference in the gain means is not significant

P> O\0,05

Gestion des chaumes des différentes régions











0,5 kg/jr

0,3 kg/jr



Brebis

estante

Gestion des chaumes

Deuxième scenario









0,3 kg/jr



0,3 kg/jr



0,3 kg/jr





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Scaling activities



Best agronomic packages (CLCA packages)

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1- CA as a way to reduce water loss irrigation in irrigated areas.

- 2 Oat vetch or Triticale vetch is the best mixture, and vetch is the specie that produces more biomass.
- 3 The disc seeder retains more water, but with tines ensures better performance.

4 – A late total weed control strategy with a dose
 between 540 -720 g / ha ensures good control, followed by a weed control of early catching up.

5 – The lentil is the best precedent, followed by vetch.

6 – Grazing management according to the method recommended by the ITELV.



Low cost ZT seeder - BOUDOUR

BOUDOUR seeders for sale to farmers and cooperatives

A low cost ZT seed drill (13 000 \$) supported at 30% (9 100 \$) and 40 % (7 800 \$)

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Acquisition by farmers at Bordj Bou Arreridj and launch of provider services.

Training of farmers and students



15 local and regional events that indirectly affected1118 farmers and technicians

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- 15 students (master and doctorate) follow the project activities
- 02 Flayers : sprayer setting and Rational management of stubble



Farmers Training by ITELV programs 2019



Diffusion through medias





•facebook.com/ltgcSetif/: 13 457 total subscribers
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Twitter : Algeria CLCA Project



Data SIM Application : SMS service for 530 farmers and managers, 13% of whom are women



02 short videos on the project and 01 for weed control in preparation



07 Radio broadcast on local and national radios



Thank You