

# Coalition for African Rice Development Pilot Initiative for Improved Rice Seed Development

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# 1. Background and Objective

## Background

- Stable and timely supply of quality seed is a key for increasing rice production and productivities.
- In developing NRDS, most of CARD member countries identify seed sector as one of top priorities to be tackled.

## How we started

- Approval of Concept Note at SC meeting in June, 2013
- Selection of Targeted Countries (Expression of Interest from CARD member countries, Screening, Approval by SC members)
- Launched in 10 countries, October, 2013



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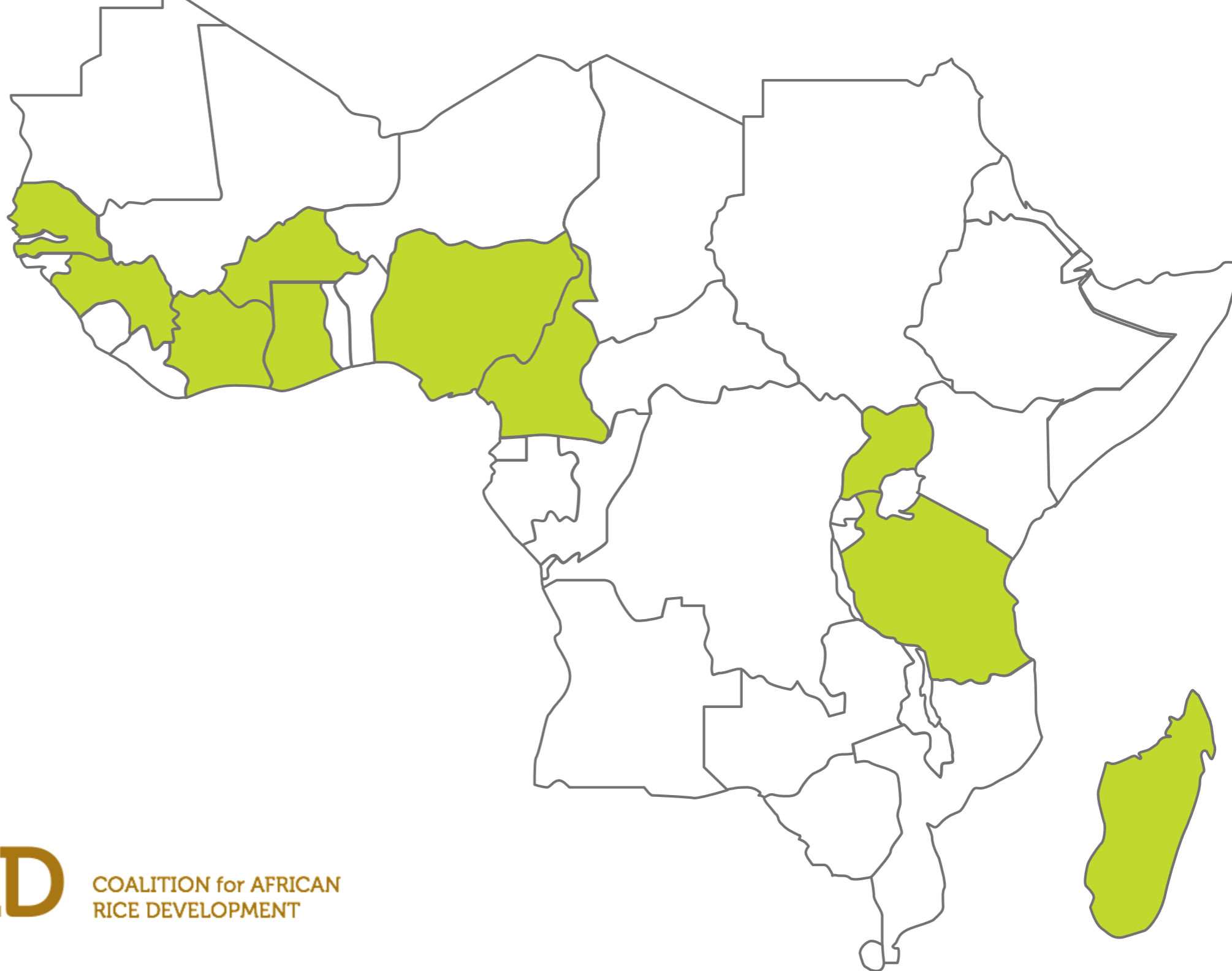
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# 1. Background and Objective

## Targeted Countries

Burkina Faso,  
Cameroon,  
Cote d'Ivoire,  
Ghana,  
Guinea,  
Madagascar,  
Nigeria,  
Senegal,  
Tanzania,  
Uganda



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# 1. Background and Objective

## Overall Goal:

To increase the supply of quality rice seeds in selected 10 CARD Countries

## Objective:

To identify strategy for improving rice seed supply

## Expected Outputs:

- Development of tailor made **Improved Rice Seed Sector Strategy / Rice Seed Road Map** at each country,
- Development of country specific **investment plans/project concept notes** for interventions



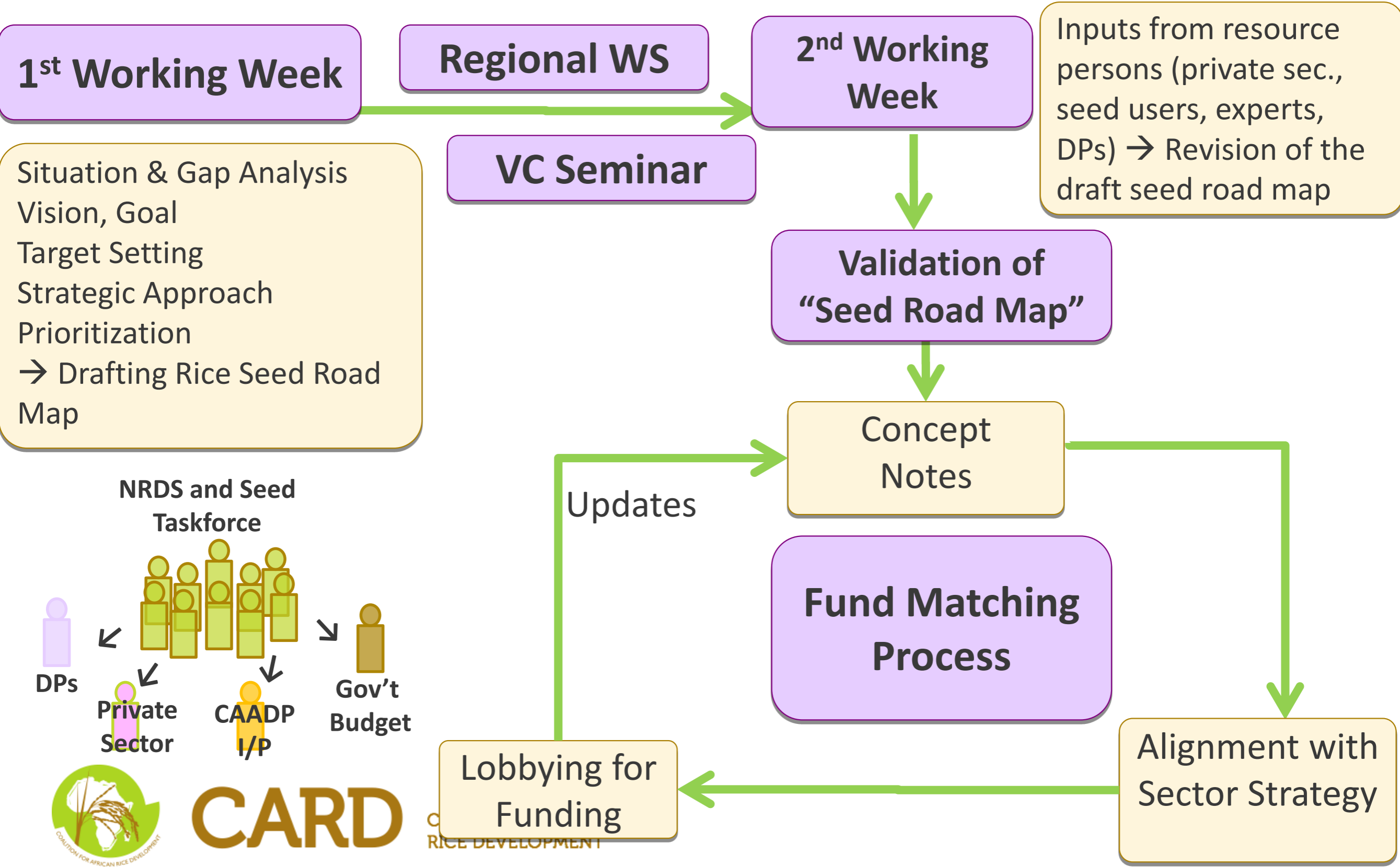
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## 2. Implementation Process

Schedule	Activities
October, 2013	Formation of Working Team
November-January, 2014	First Working Week and Drafting “Rice Seed Road Map”
February, 2014	Regional Workshop for peer review
April, 2014	Video Conference Seminar on “Seed Quality Assurance”
May-July, 2014	Second Working Week, inputs from resource persons and revising drafted “Rice Seed Road Map”
July 2014~	Validation of “Rice Seed Road Map” and start drafting Concept Notes
July 2014~	Finalization of CN and Start Fund Matching

# 2. Implementation Process



## 2. Implementation Process: 1<sup>st</sup> Working Week

### To draft country specific Rice Seed Development Strategy / “Rice Seed Road Map” through;

- Situation and gap analysis by using Working Tool, which covers all aspects of rice seed value chain; 1) Policy, institution and planning, 2) production, and 3) supply/market.
- Setting Vision, Goal and objectives by 2018 in line with NRDS and its overarching policy (e.g.CAADP)
- Discussion and target setting



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## 2. Implementation Process: Regional Workshop

**To share the summary of draft “Rice Seed Road Map” for further improvement through;**

- Peer review by other country delegations (Learning from other countries experiences and Critical mutual-reviewing);
- Taking contributions from the CARD Steering Committee members from both technical, economic and investment point of view.



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## 2. Implementation Process: Video Conference Seminar

**To form common understanding on seed production/multiplication system with technically appropriate quality assurance;**

- Connecting all targeted 10 countries through video conference system, separately to Anglophone and Francophone countries.
- Lecture from Africa Rice with additional contributions from FAO, IRRI, JICA, and JIRCAS, followed by Q&A sessions.



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## 3. Way Forwards

- Conducting 2<sup>nd</sup> Working Week in each country to further improve “Rice Seed Road Map”, inviting resource persons from seed producers, seed users and DPs for their inputs in the specific contexts of respective countries.
- Validation of “Rice Seed Road Map” and start drafting Concept Notes for its implementation.
- Finalizing Concept Notes and start fund matching process (similar to NRDS implementation process).



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# Thank you



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