

Measuring Social Change

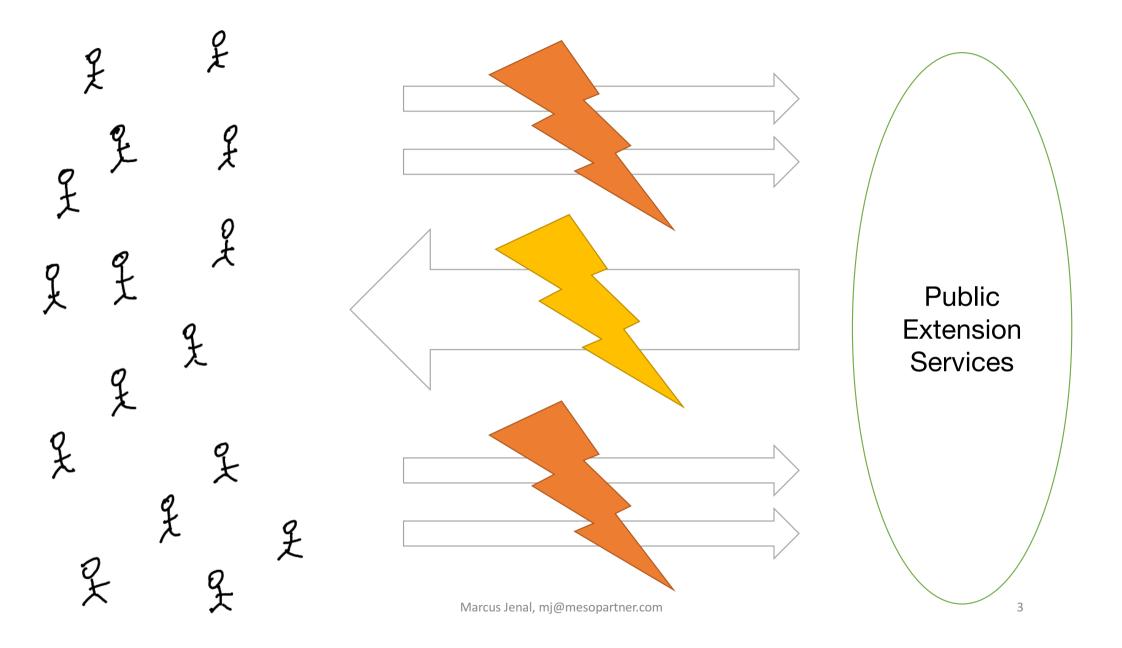
Change in farmers perceptions and attitudes in Bangladesh

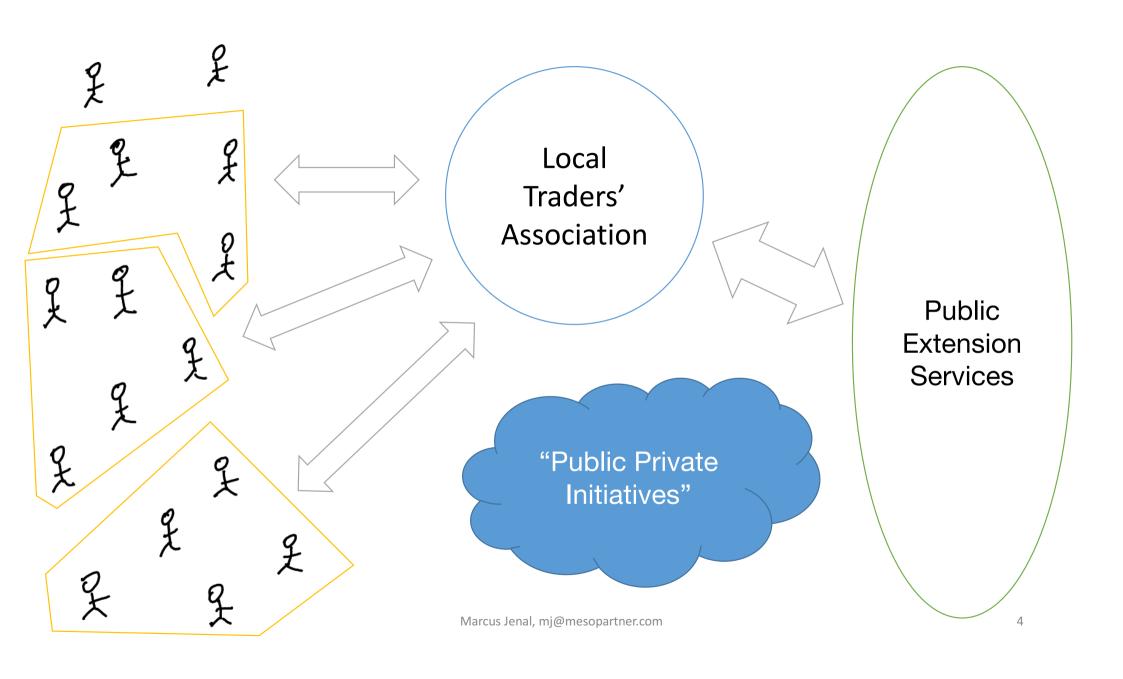


Katalyst LAN

- Public extension services don't have the right approaches and enough resources to reach their objectives
- Growing and changing demands for information services and training by farmers







Research question

Has there been a transformation in the attitudes and perception of farmers towards extension support received?

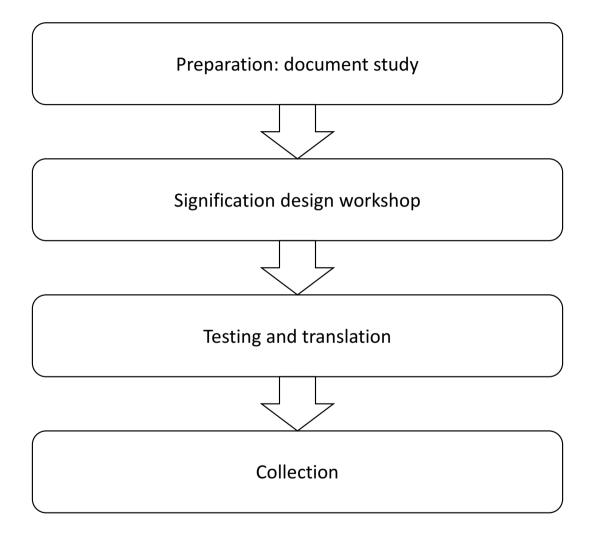


Methodology

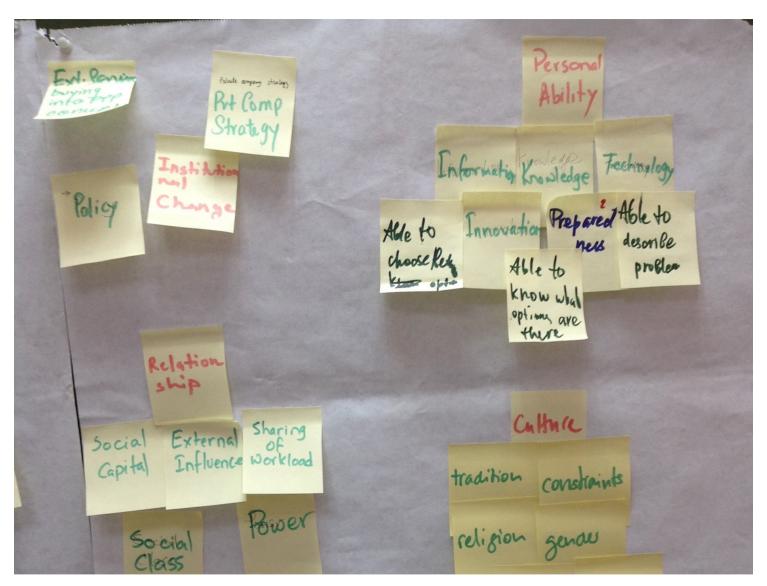
Methods used in the LAN pilot study:

- narrative research with SenseMaker®
- key informant interviews

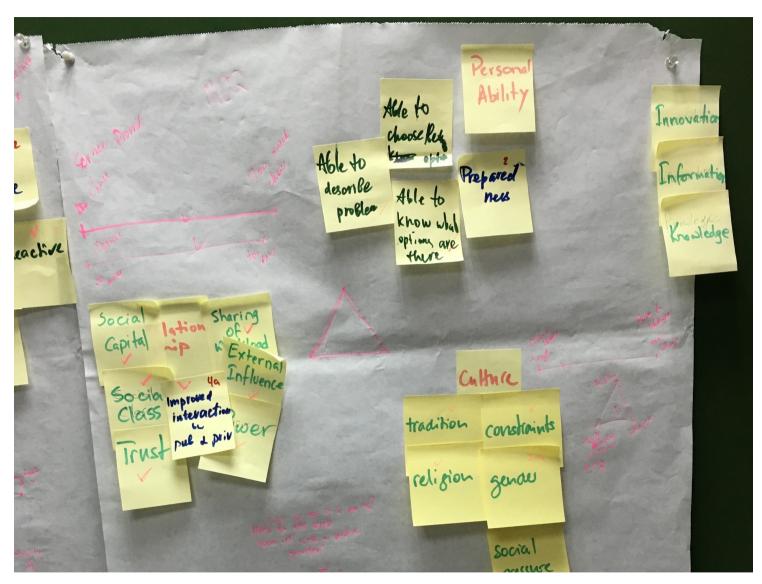




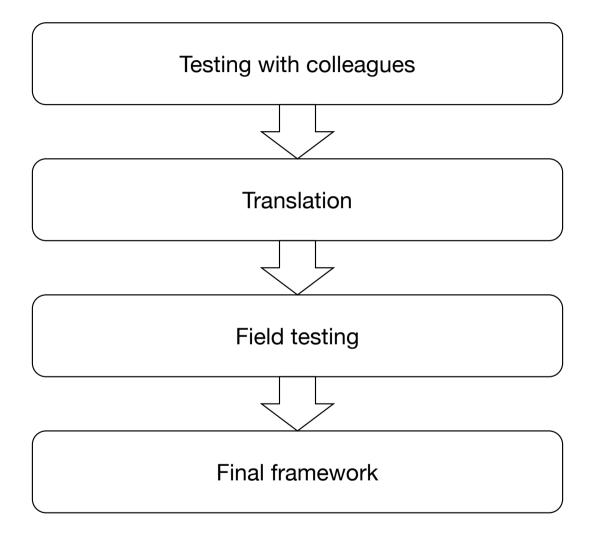














Story prompt

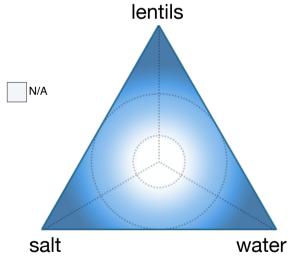
If a farmer you don't know asked you about support from outside your family related to farming available in your area (for example training, demo plots, vaccinations, information, etc.), what experience of yours or someone you know would you share? It can be a positive or negative experience.

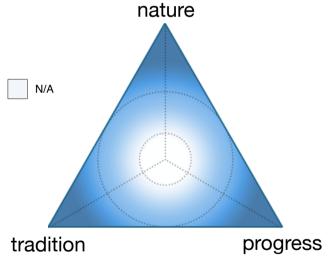


Signification

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In your example, what was important?







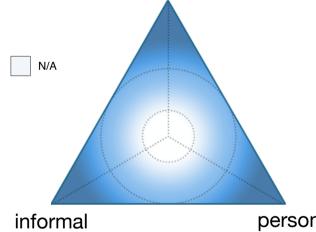
Signification

In your example, farmers changed ...

how they produced the way they produced it marketed and sold it

In your example, the sources for innovations were ...

formal networks & organisations



informal relationships

personal development and experimentation



Signification

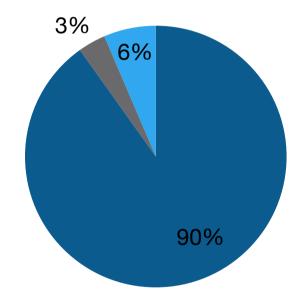
In your experience, attitudes revealed were...

wanting things to change keeping tradition



Data overview

497 stories collected

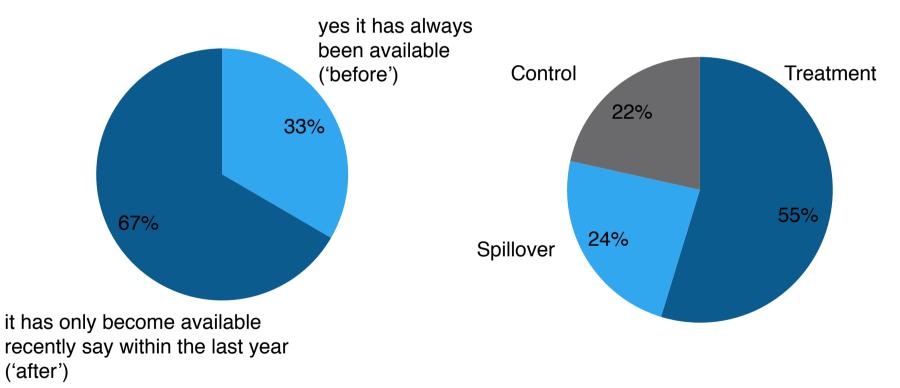


- farmer
- service provider/trader
- extension officer



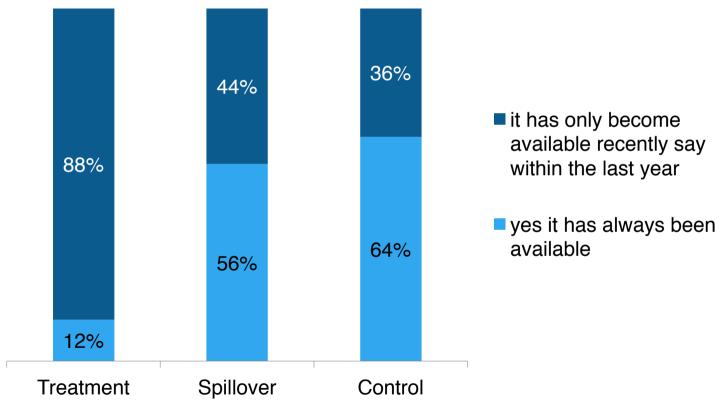
Comparison groups

Has this type of support always been available?

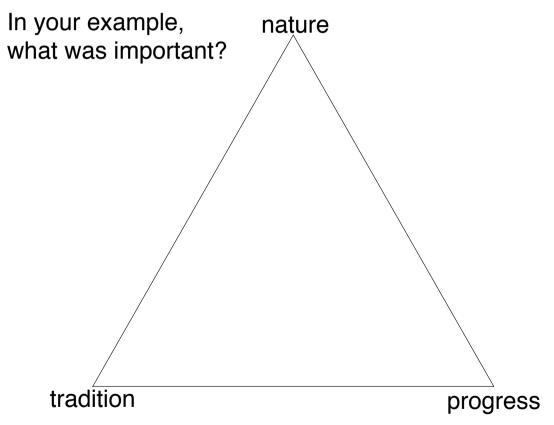




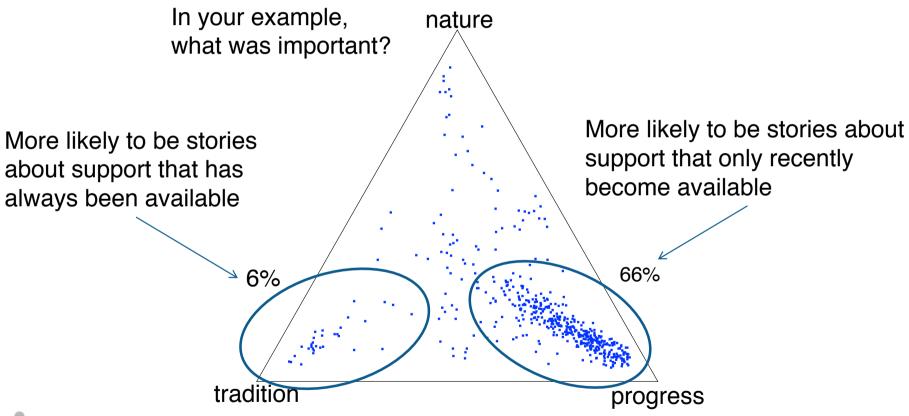
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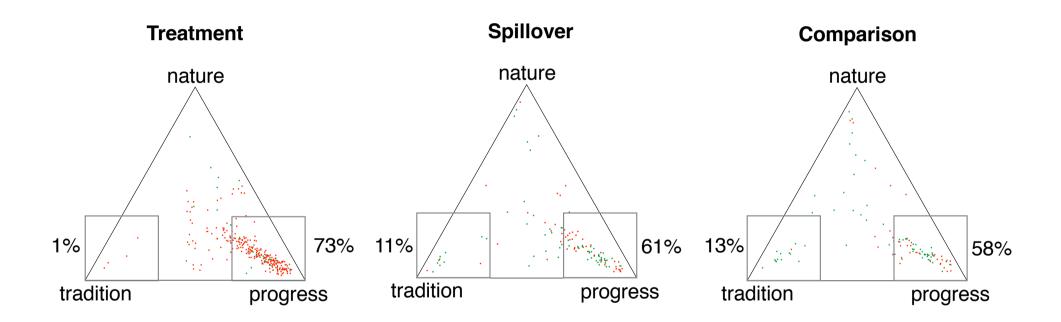






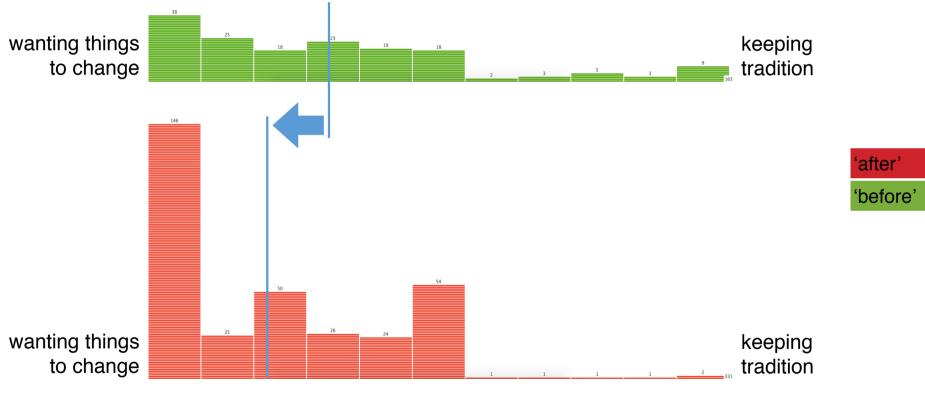








In your experience, attitudes revealed were...



Examples of sensemaking questions

- What themes/issues does this data illustrate/raise?
- What, if anything, surprised you?
- Questions or stories you would want to read or explore further
- Where would you want to see the pattern shift "More stories"?
- Where would you want to see the pattern shift "Fewer stories"?



Some findings

- Improved information accessibility, quality and relevance
- Formal networks gain in importance
- Increasing balance of trust and income generation potential
- Growing importance of progress and innovation
- More balanced innovation

