

Farmer Selection Criteria for 4P projects.

1. Eligibility Criteria

- **Farmers residing or farming in the project locations (DS Divisions)** of Anuradhapura, Kurunegala, Puttalam, Mannar and Vauniya Districts
- **Smallholder farmers:** 90% of the farmers having land parcels less than 1 hectare.
- **Low-income households.** 90% of the farmers should be in low-income category
- **Land ownership:** Farmers with secure land tenure (owned/permit/ rent or leased)
- **Resource and Infrastructure:** Access to water source - availability of a suitable water source for the project

2. Sector-Specific Criteria

Agricultural Production

- Active involvement or willingness to engage in agribusiness activities.
- Willingness to participate in training and capacity building activities organized by the project
- Willingness to work as a member of a farmer group or a team to share skills and experiences
- Willingness to adopt recommended agricultural practices promoted by the project.

Market Orientation

- Willingness to sign buyback agreement with the project promoter
- Willingness to supply farm produce in the required quantity and quality for the partnership.

3. Ineligibility

- **Farmers already benefitted from other agribusiness development projects implemented by government organizations during last five years [SAPP, ASMP, CSIAP (Climate Smart Irrigated Agriculture Project)] are not eligible for SARP assistance.**