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# GrainMate: Grain Moisture Meter

Control the moisture content of grains and reduce post-harvest losses

The Grain Moisture Meter is a portable, easy-to-use device that accurately measures grain moisture, preventing spoilage and quality loss across the value chain. For warehouse operators, traders, and processors, it ensures better storage, fair pricing, and quality compliance.





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Commodities

Maize, Sorghum/Millet, Soybean, Wheat, Groundnut

Sustainable Development Goals







This technology is pre-validated.

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(Cost: \$\$\$) 45—60 USD

Price for resellers and users

ROI: \$\$

Post-harvest losses reduced

### **Problem**

- Inaccurate Moisture Assessment: Grain traders and processors struggle with measuring moisture levels, leading to quality loss and spoilage.
- Unreliable Methods: Farmers use biting or tossing grains, which are inaccurate.
- Lack of Moisture Meters: Many farmers can't afford or find reliable grain moisture meters.
- Mold Risk: Grains above 13.5% moisture quickly develop mold.
- Poultry Impact: High-moisture grains reduce egg production and increase bird disease and deaths.

### Solution

- Eliminates Guesswork: The meter replaces unreliable methods, enabling informed storage
- Improves Accessibility: Affordable and easy to use, priced at \$60, it's accessible to many
- Reduces Grain Losses: It helps farmers measure moisture accurately, preventing post-harvest losses and ensuring food security.
- Supports National Planning: Reliable data aids governments in monitoring grain quality, predicting risks, and shaping food security policies.

# Categories

Prevention & storage, Equipment Post-harvest handling



#### Where it can be used

This technology can be used in the colored



#### Target groups

Farmers, Processors, Warehouse Operators, Advisory and Extension Services

## Key points to design your business plan

GrainMate Moisture Meter technology benefits both resellers and end users (farmers). For better integration in your business:

- Identify bulk sources for acquiring GrainMate Moisture Meters, available in Kenya, Rwanda, Ghana, Nigeria, Malawi, Zimbabwe.
- Optimize transportation and storage methods.
- Target customers include local retailers, development projects, farmers, and farmer cooperatives.
- Training is essential; operational details are available in the tool notice or tech profile.
- Estimate profits from using the product in your business.

Gender assessment



Climate impact



