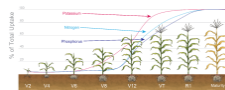


## Pre-plant blended fertilizers and nitrogen topdressing for maize

Unlock Maize Potential with Balanced Fertilizer Bliss!

Pre-plant blended fertilizers for maize is a technology involved to carefully mixed solid granular fertilizers, including urea, calcium ammonium nitrate, and potassium chloride, to meet maize crop nutrient needs.



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This technology is **TAAT1 validated**.

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Scaling readiness: idea maturity: 8/9; level of use: 9/9

**0.3—0.5 ton/ha**

Grain yield increase

**30 %**

N uptake increase

**57 %**

P uptake increase



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Technology from

ProPAS

Commodities

Maize

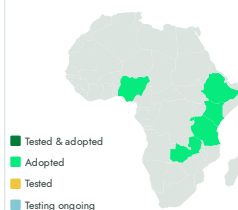
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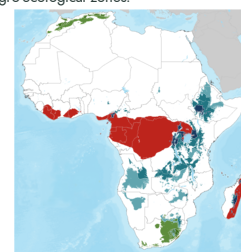
Production, Inputs, Fertilizer

Tested/adopted in



Where it can be used

This technology can be used in the colored agro-ecological zones.



Target groups

Farmers

### Problem

- Traditional fertilizer application methods often lead to uneven nutrient distribution,
- Improper dosages and application schedules of mineral fertilizers are common,
- Inefficient nutrient application practices can lead to environmental losses, including nutrient runoff and leaching.

### Solution

- Implementing pre-plant blended fertilizers and nitrogen topdressing for precise and efficient nutrient delivery,
- Providing specific nutrient blends to address inadequate nutrient supply for healthier and more productive maize crops.
- Promoting responsible fertilizer use through carefully formulated blends and split applications, minimizing wastage

### Key points to design your business plan

Utilizing pre-plant blended fertilizers and nitrogen topdressing for maize offers a significant opportunity to improve crop productivity and sustainability. Key considerations for implementing this technology include:

- Identifying appropriate fertilizer formulations tailored to specific soil and crop needs,
- Considering delivery expenses to project sites across several countries, and forming partnerships with agricultural stakeholders to optimize outcomes.
- Additionally, integrating complementary technologies such as drought-tolerant maize varieties, herbicides for weed control, and specialized maize varieties can further enhance the benefits of this approach.

Gender assessment

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Climate impact

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