

Olive Cultivation-Bringing Peace to FATA

Olive Plantation Initiatives

- 45% land of FATA is suitable for olive cultivation (GIS study conducted by IOA and PO DB)
- **Most suitable areas includes**
 - Bajaur 79,899 ha (53.4 %)
 - Mohmand 75,167 ha (34.2 %)
 - Kurram 93,676 ha (19.1 %)
 - SWA 37,134 ha (6.4 %)
 - NWA 51,319 ha (15.3 %)



Why Olive Plantation

- Plant of Marginal land
- Minimum land preparation cost
- Minimum inputs cost
- High rate of return
- Simple value addition
- Wide range of products
- Fruit bearing life >900 years
- Suitable for many areas
- Can reduce import bill
- Great export potential



Issues/challenges

- Sustenance of farmers
- Security concerns in FATA
- Farmers education & training
- Limited saplings available
- Infrastructure (road, market)
- Water scarcity



Implementation Strategy

- Implementation to start from FR/closer to settled areas
- Ownership of Politicians, PAs, Maliks and Notables
- Selection of areas with irrigation resources
- Sustenance of poor growers
- Free distribution of saplings
- Monitoring through satellite imagery/third party audit
- Training of farmers
- Small oil extraction units to be developed by ABEI, PARC



Benefits

- Environmental improvement
- Marginal land utilization
- Development of village entrepreneurship
- Employment generation
- Livelihood improvement
- Export potential

