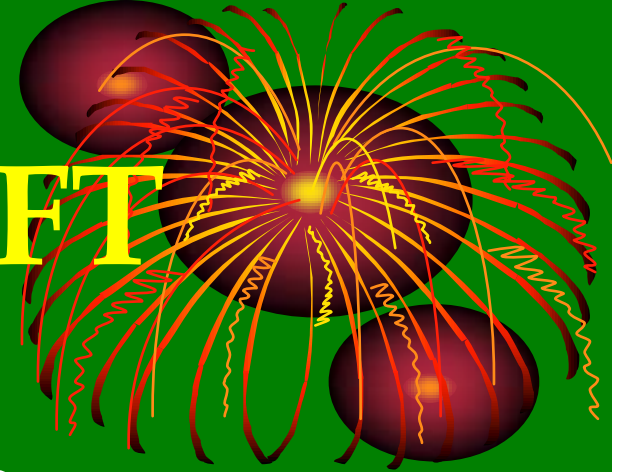


POLICY SHIFT



- **Raise the profile of dry land crops on a par with irrigated, resource guzzling crops**
- **Recognise dryland crops in general, millets in particular as water conservers**
- **Compensate farmers with water bonus**

POLICY SHIFT



- Enhance support prices
- Recognise them as high nutrition crop
- Introduce in PDS, food for work, noon meal, ICDS, social welfare hostels

POLICY SHIFT



- Recognise intrinsic biodiversity
- Recognise as barrier against climate change
- Introduce conservation bonus
- Introduce climate change bonus
- Create a positive credit bias
- **BANK LOAN TABLE**

POLICY SHIFT



- **Recognise as livelihood promoter**
- **Two Ha can sustain one job**
- **Potential to create a plethora of rural enterprises, indirect livelihoods, artisanal and otherwise**

POLICY SHIFT



- **Promote Community Seed Banks of local landraces**
- **Encourage State Agricultural Universities to scout for location specific landraces / varieties and improving them rather than withdrawing from the seed sector**

POLICY SHIFT



- **Develop a long term strategy for each agroclimatic zones based on the location specific situations**
- **Develop farmer-led research at all SAUs and research stations**
- **Create new farmer led extension systems**

POLICY SHIFT



- **Create new non corporate organic markets controlled by small farmers**
- **Create a huge education campaign around these crops**
- **Promote farmers-consumer interfaces**
- **Community supported farming**