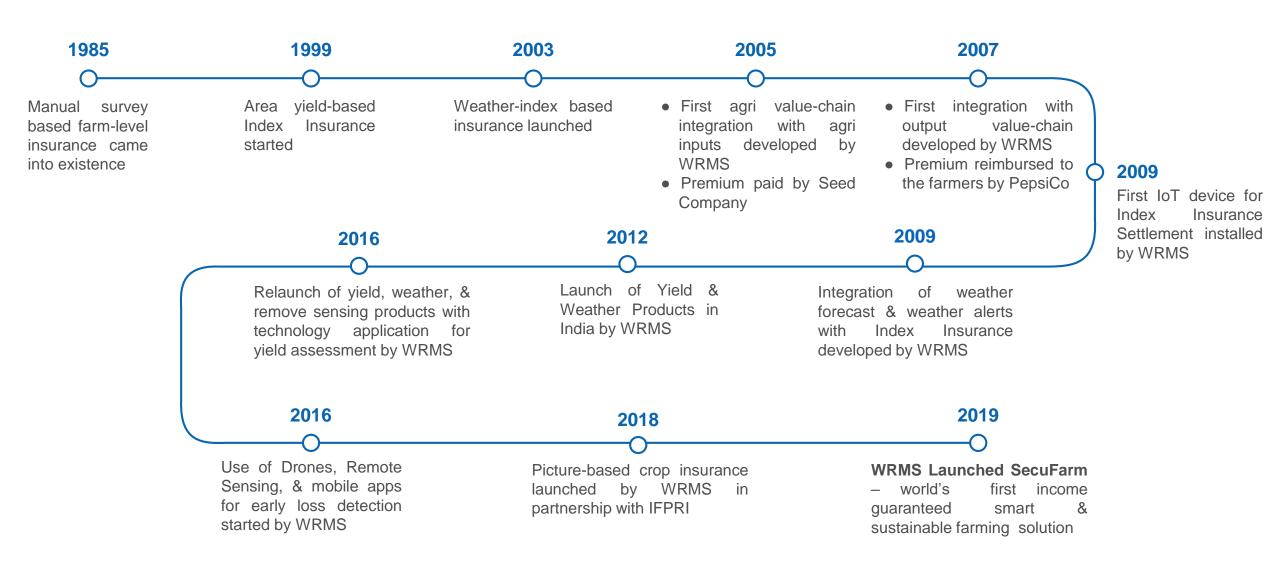


# **Crop Risk Management journey**

How the crop insurance product has evolved



#### **About WRMS**

#### WRMS is a pioneer in Smart & Sustainable Farming in India

We leverage information communication technology & financial innovation to help farmers enhance farm productivity, gain a guaranteed income, and practice sustainable farming

2004

Year Of Foundation

1 million +

Farmers Bailed Out From Natural Disasters

2.5 million +

**Farmers Served** 

**Our Purpose** 

Empowering our farmers to overcome the most daunting agrarian challenges



10,000 +

IoT Sensors Installed

INR 285 million

Gross Annual Turnover (FY 2018-19)

INR 162.5 million

**Total Funding Received** 

**Our Capabilities** 

Multidisciplinary capabilities spanning data analytics, technology & finance to address complex agrarian challenges



**15** +

**Country Presence** 

2000 +

On-ground Surveyors

350 +

Number Of Employees

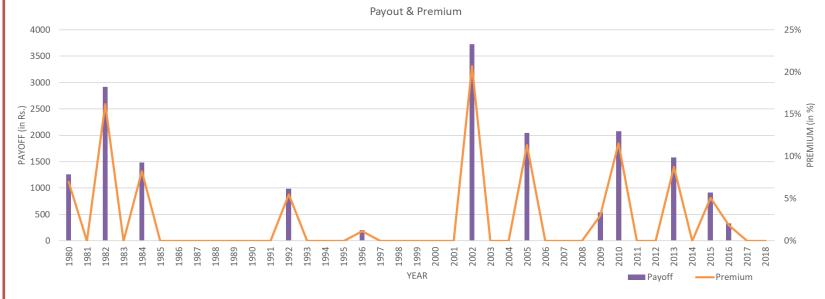
**Our Values** 

Staying Constantly Curious, Never Giving Up, Winning Together, Not Misleading, Respecting People



# Sample Product Design

Crop	Paddy		
Location	Khajauli and Rajnagar Blocks, Madhubani District		
Index	Total Amount of Rainfall less than Strike		
Date From	15-Jul	01-Aug	01-Sep
Date to	31-Jul	31-Aug	30-Sep
Payout Begins at (mm)	65	125	75
Max Payout at (mm)	0	0	0
Payout Rate (Rs. / mm)	60.0	62.4	84.0
Max Payout (Rs.)	3900.0	7800.0	6300.0
Payout & Premium			



- Simple Drought Index covering risks related to lack of rainfall
- Graph below gives frequency of payout
- Cover design based on risk perception
- Transparent mechanism to give farmer information on payout frequency
- Can be offered as cashback to farmers on purchase of Bayer product

## Viability of micro-insurance

#### in partnership with Ford Foundation & International Labour Organization

We started **CARM services** in India in 2009 with support from **Ford Foundation** & International Labour Organization (ILO). The services now cater to **more than 20,000 farmers** across the country

<b>Business Case</b>	What we did	Impact
Comprehensive agriculture risk management (CARM) solutions for farmers in East India	<ul> <li>As part of the CARM package insurance, mobile based agro-advisory service and irrigation controllers were provided</li> <li>Farmers used agro-advisory services and irrigation management systems as preventive risk management measures</li> <li>Insurance was used to manage catastrophic risks</li> <li>Risk management package also facilitated bank loans to the farmers</li> </ul>	Demonstrated that micro-insurance for small scale farmers can be made commercially viable and sustainable by clubbing it with other risk management services







# **SecuFarm**Income Guaranteed Smart & Sustainable Farming Solution

- SecuFarm; What is it?
- How Farmers experience SecuFarm
- How WRMS enables it at the back-end



# Farm-level solution empowering farmers

to increase agricultural productivity by guaranteeing return on investment





#### YIELD MAXIMIZATION

Provide Y-o-Y increase in yield through Smart Farming using IoT,
 Mobile Apps, Machine Learning & AI, Drones, GIS, & Telematics



#### **CROP LOSS COMPENSATION**

 Assure minimum income guarantee by covering risks due to unforeseen natural calamities through Financial Innovation

#### PRICE MAXIMIZATION

- Facilitate farming of crops that command higher market price through Smart & Sustainable Farming
- Identify the best price for the crops using Market Linkages

\*Size-agnostic Solution

Applicable to farms of all sizes

# **Secufarm Experience**





BACKGROUND CHALLENGE SOLUTION IMPACT → ABOUT US

POTATO YIELD MANAGEMENT AND ASSURANCE SERVICES -TERMSHEET				
PURPOSE	WRMS will provide farm advisory and technical assistance (details in annexure) to impro	WRMS will provide farm advisory and technical assistance (details in annexure) to improve farm yield		
	• In case the actual farm yield turns out to be lower than the promised level due to incorrect technical assistance, error and/or negligence, WRMS will compensate for the cost incurred by the farmer in proportion to shortfall in the farm yield vis-à-vis the promised level subject to other terms and condition stated below			
LAND DETAILS	• Farmers located in Bankura, Midnapore, and Hooghly			
Land Record Details, Address	GP & Block list given in Annexure IV			
CROP with Variery Details	<ul> <li>Crop: Potato</li> <li>Variety: Atlanta (FC-3)</li> <li>Date of Sowing: 30 October (+7 days)   Date of Harvesting: 90-110 Days after Sowing</li> </ul>			
MAXIMUM LIABILITY	<ul> <li>On Per Farm basis</li> <li>Max (Yield Shortfall* Cost C2 ,0); where</li> <li>Yield Shortfall = (Yield Threshold- Actual yield)/ Yield Threshold</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Yield Threshold: 8,000 kg/acre</li> <li>Cost of Cultivation (Cost C2)</li> <li>= INR 40,000 per acre</li> </ul>		
FEES for Assurance & Technical Service	• 10% of the Cost of Cultivation			
CLAIM CALCULATION Example	<ul> <li>Actual Yield: 7,000 kg/acre</li> <li>Yield Shortfall= (8000-7000) / 8000 = 12.5%</li> <li>Compensation = (12.5% *40000) = INR 5,000 per acre</li> </ul>			



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CRITICAL STEP	INCENTIVE increase in Threshold Yield (kg / acre)	DOCUMENTS REQUIRED
SOIL TREATMENT	200	Bill or purchase receipt of the recommended chemical with quantity and price mentioned; Soil Testing can be done to check compliance
SEED TREATMENT & SOWING sowing of recommended seed varieties	300	Bill or purchase receipt of the recommended seed variety with quantity and price mentioned; Farm audits can be done to check if right seeds have been sown
APPLICATION OF FERTILIZER	200	Bill or purchase receipt of the fertilizers with quantity and price mentioned;     Soil Test can be done to check compliance
APPLICATION OF PESTICIDE & WEEDICIDE	500	Bill or purchase receipt of the pesticides with quantity and price mentioned;Geo-tagged photograph* of pesticide application in the covered farm through WRMS smart phone application; Pesticide residue test can also be done
FIRST IRRIGATION	500	Satellite imagery or inputs from irrigation switch taken to check compliance

**Penalty:** 15-30% depending on the critical steps not followed In case the major critical steps are not followed, policy will be cancelled with prior intimation \*Geo-tagged photograph of in the covered farm is to be sent by the farmer through the WRMS's smartphone application



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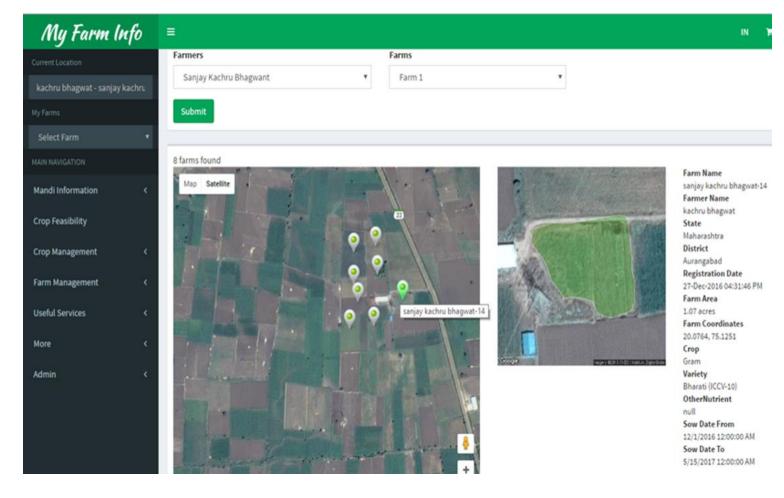
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#### GEO-TAGGING OF FARMS FOR ACCURATE MONITORING

 The Potato farmers were geotagged for their fields; precise details of which could be viewed by just hovering over the location on the Secufarm mobile application

CHALLENGE

Geo-tagging helped in accurate monitoring





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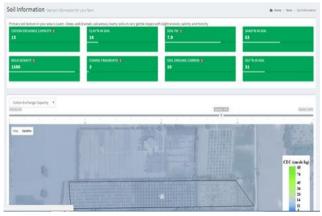
#### PROVIDING SOIL INFORMATION FOR NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT

 Comprehensive soil information like Cation exchange capacity, clay content, & soil PH, micro and macro nutrients were provided to the farmers

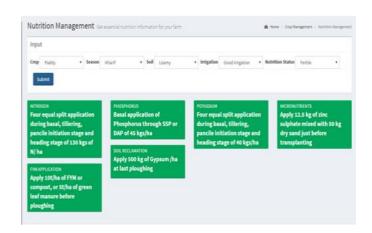
CHALLENGE

 Minimum soil tests done after validating Soil Health Card data

 Depending upon the soil report, our agri-experts recommended the farmers a suitable soil treatment and arrange necessary nutrients id requried by farmers









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#### PROVIDING SOWING ADVISORY ACCESS TO PLANTERS

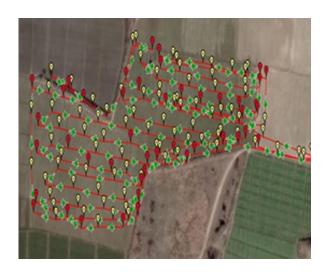


#### **Mechanized Planter**

Build ridges

BACKGROUND

Plant the potato seeds inside the soil



#### **Potato Field Layout**

Track each potato through a GPS chip & depth detection sensor attached to the planter

- Based on the soil and weather data, farmers were given treated seeds, including advisory on when to sow, what variety of seed to sow, and how much of water & other inputs are to be used while sowing.
- To assist the sowing activities, farmers were also provided access to mechanized planters which not only reduced the farming effort & the time, but also ensured maintaining the appropriate plant-to-plant distance



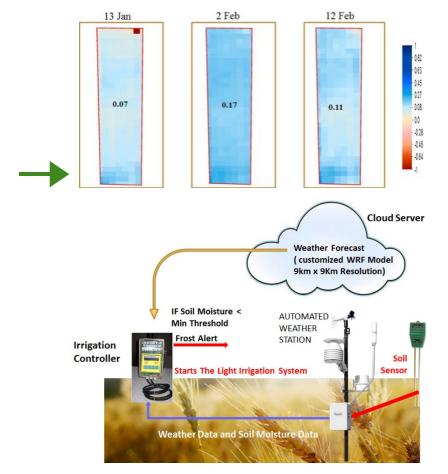
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#### **IRRIGATION MANAGEMENT**

- Farmers were given an irrigation schedule
- Soil moisture situation on the Potato farm was monitored (as in the image here) using soil moisture sensor and satellite imagery
- Irrigation systems were switched on using WRMS irrigation switches, in case soil moisture was found to be low at the critical stages of the crop









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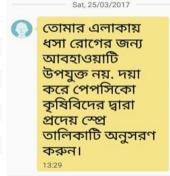
#### TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE DURING CROP GROWTH STAGE

- Automated Weather Stations gathered weather data and sent it to our remote server
- Farmers were provided latest weather data and forecasts for temperature, rainfall, humidity and wind
- Data was shared through mobile appl and SMSs in vernacular languages
- Historical weather data was also provided











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#### **CROP PEST & DISEASE MANAGEMENT**

 Pest and Disease forecasts based on wind movements, conducive weather conditions, plant vegetative growth and actual load based on pest sensor (monitored at a 10\*10 sq km area), were provided to farmers along with advisories on preventive measures

- Secufarm provided the farmers a platform to send crop-related queries to our experts
  - Experts assisted by Al
- Access to mechanized sprayers are provided to efficiently spray chemicals in the Potato field; chemicals arranged if required











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#### **ONE-STOP PLATFORM FOR FARM MANAGEMENT**

 Administrators had access to a dashboard to monitor all farms

- Dashboard showed total number of farms, along with the associated weather, disease, soil moisture, and crop health alerts
- Farmers who were not following POP were also listed





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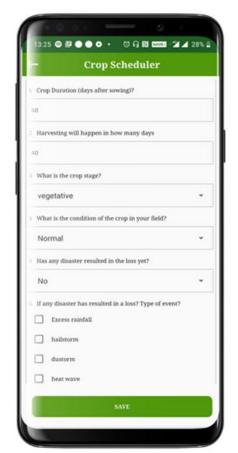
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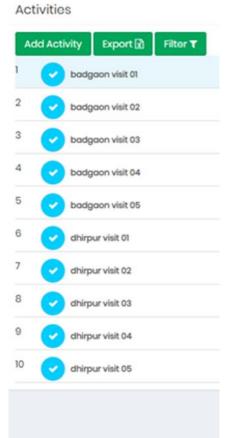
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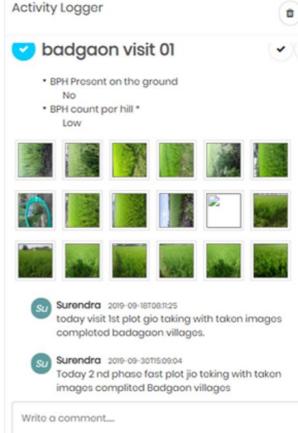
### IN CASE OF CROP STRESS, ADMIN ASSIGNED SURVEYS

 Assigned surveys showed up in the surveyors' mobile app

- Administrator could monitor the survey status and check the results & images through the website dashboard
- Stressed cases are referred to experts









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## **HEDGING THE RISK**

Crop	Potato	
Location	Bakura, Hugli, Burdhman (West Bengal)	
Data Provider	INGEN Technologies P Ltd	
Unseasonal Rainfall		
Date From	15-Dec 2016	
Date to	10-Mar 2017	
Index	Maximum of 3 consecutive day's cumulative rainfall above strike during the phase.	
Strike_1 (mm)	20	
Strike_2 (mm)	70	
Exit(mm)	120	
Notional (INR / mm)_1	27	
Notional (INR / mm)_2	133	
Total Maximum Payout (INR)	8000	
Total Sum Insured (INR / Acre)	8000	
Premium (INR / Acre)	550 (Excluding Service Tax)	



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#### FARMERS COULD ALSO FIND BEST PRICE FOR THEIR

PRODUCE Emanagement procedure to ensure proper gradation, packaging and storage of produced crops led to better market price and lower rejections

 Through our pan-India network, farmers were also assured of better market price by establishing direct linkages between farmers and retailers



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# MECHANIZED PLANTING LED TO ~15% INCREMENT OF HIGH QUALITY PRODUCE

- Fertilizer usage optimized to remove fertilizers which were already in abundance e.g. phosphorous and addition of micronutrient like Zinc and boron that were deficient
- ~ 15% yield increment of high quality produce due to mechanised planting
- ~ 10% improvement in water use efficiency due to use of Irrigation Management System and timely rainfall forecast
- Loss Minimization due to timely weather and disease alerts
- Optimized use of Crop Protection Chemicals due to timely alerts and advisory; *Farmers were* earlier using multiple chemicals for solving one pest/disease issue due to lack of knowledge
- Yield guarantee resulted in payouts to farmers who suffered losses due to water logging on account of rainfall



# WRMS

HELPING FARMERS FACE THE MOST DAUNTING AGRARIAN CHALLENGES

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