#### **Innovative Way To Enhance Farmer's Income** By Unique Food Preservation Process Solar Conduction Dryer

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## Solar Conduction Dryer

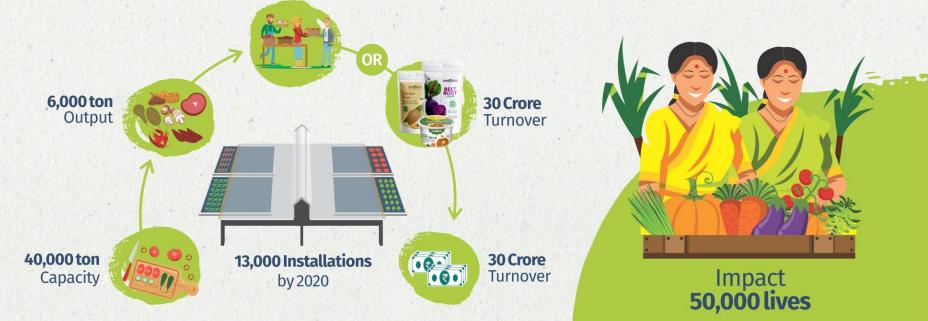
Solar Conduction Dryer (SCD) is a solar powered food dryer to reduce moisture content in agro-marine produce to increase their shelf life up to 1 year without using any chemicals.



Indian Patent: 740/MUM/2011 | International Patent No. : PCT/IN2012/000843

## Executive Summary





#### Solar Conduction Dryer: **Technology**

SCD is the first solar dryer that uses all the modes of heat transfer together (conduction, convection and radiation) giving one of the best drying efficiency of **22%.** 

#### Principle: Heat supply by conduction v/s convection

**Convection Dryer:** Air for mass transfer only, heat supply by conduction and radiation **Conduction Dryer:** Air for heat transfer and mass transfer

#### Outcome: Air requirement drops by 10X, thus no need of fans or blowers, eleminating need of electricity



#### Benefits:



No fan, no electricity



Uniform drying and highest efficiency: 50% +



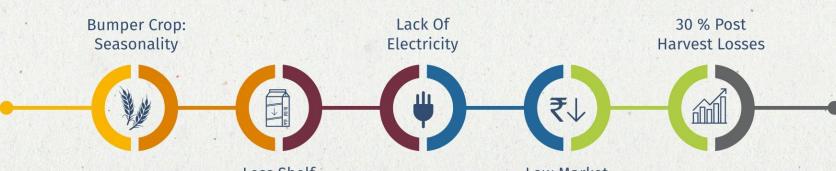
Microbial food safety: 10x lesser than norms



Better nutrition: 20-50%

## Customer Need: Background





Less Shelf Low Market Life Price

#### Value Proposition by S4S Technologies

Zero Maintenance Technology

**40%** reduction in post harvest losses

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50% increase in profit



Provide **Market Linkage** for dehydrated products

Increase in shelf life to **6-12 months** 

Employment for women farmers



# Competitive Advantage



|   | Unorganized   | Organized   | SCD   |  |
|---|---|---|---|--|
| Current<br>Situation<br>- Agri<br>Produce | Sell the produce in fresh<br>form at very low rate OR | Dry with steam<br>based or electric dryers            | Accessible, affordable, accelerated drying                                      |  |
|   | Dry in the open sun                                   | Contract farming                                      | Modular system  |  |
|   | Sell the dried products locally                       | Export 90% of the dried produce                       | Access to market<br>for dried products  |  |
| Weaknes                                   | Slow, Unhygienic process                              | Capacity<br>constraint<br>High<br>infrastructure cost | Making profitable<br>business with social<br>impact is always the<br>challenge. |  |

## Market Segment

Market Potential: SCD and Dried Produce





2020: Target 2% Onion Market and 5% Ginger Market in India

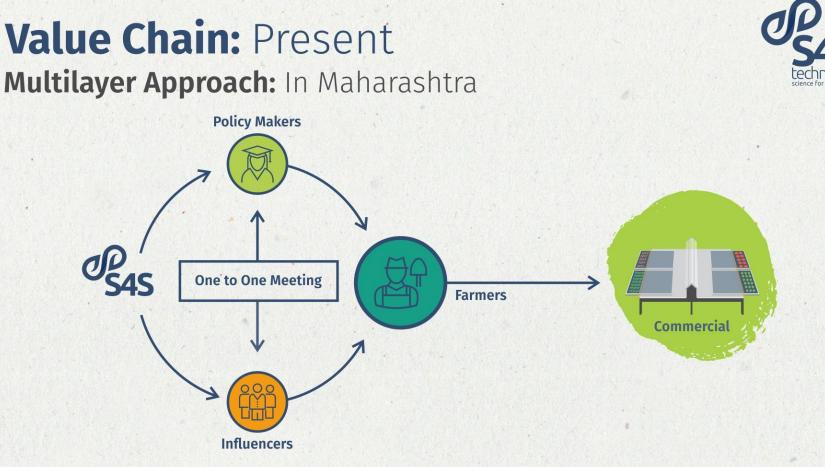
# Social Impact





### Solar Conduction Dryer in Action





# Value Chain: Pilot Stage



**Multilayer Approach:** Scale up in other states

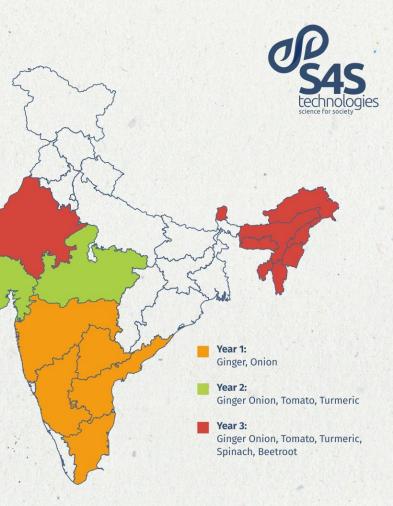
#### **Crop Specific Approach**

- Integrated Value Chain: Crop/ Geography Specific approach
- Strategic food partnership: ITC, 24 Mantra



#### **Government Lead Mega Project**

- Nepal: 500 SCD project
- Nandurbar: 500 SCD project for tribes



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