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# Successes from innovative youth-led businesses/SMEs in the agrifood sector



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# ONE GUYANA AGRICULTURE INC.

## AGRICULTURE AND INNOVATION ENTREPRENEURSHIP PROGRAM

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# INTRODUCTION

- ❖ One Guyana Agriculture, Inc. Currently, foster the Agriculture and Innovation Entrepreneurship Program (AIEP)
- ❖ A realization of His Excellency, President Dr Mohamed Irfaan Ali vision of Guyana playing a pivotal role in reducing food imports by 25% by the year 2025
- ❖ Launched to encourage young people to become Agri-entrepreneurs
- ❖ Production of high-value crops such as cauliflower, broccoli and carrots



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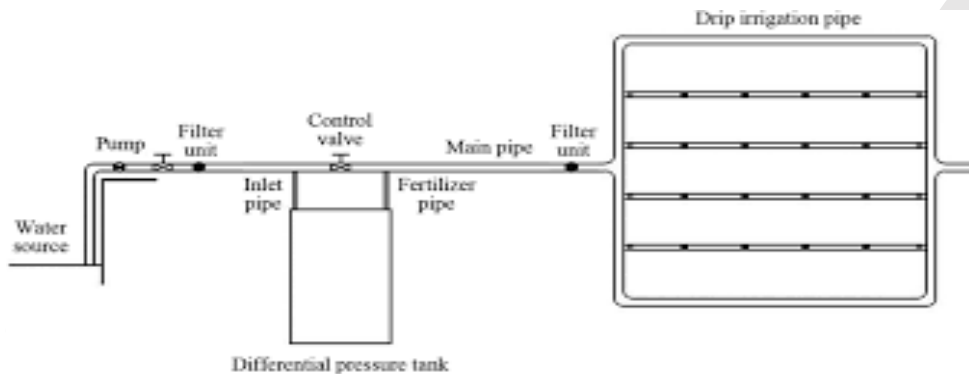
- ✿ Minimize the impact of climate change on crop production
- ✿ Encourage young people to become Agri-entrepreneurs
- ✿ Increase domestic production
- ✿ Reduce importation
- ✿ Model/ demonstration farm to promote and expand Agriculture
- ✿ Enhance the food security drive





# INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY

- ✿ Protected agriculture
- ✿ Elevated boxes
- ✿ Fertigation
- ✿ Drip irrigation
- ✿ Crop rotation
- ✿ Trellising
- ✿ Soil technology
- ✿ Integrated Pest Management (IPM)
- ✿ Digital technologies



# ACHIEVEMENT



- ✿ Built shade houses countrywide
- ✿ Youth sensitization and awareness
- ✿ In-cooperated with Good Agriculture Practices (GAP) and climate-smart technology
- ✿ More than 70% of youths now have agri-businesses
- ✿ Increase income and sustainability



- ✿ Hotels and restaurant
- ✿ Influence market
- ✿ Quality product at a competitive price
- ✿ Increase Disposal income





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# Thank you

