POTENTIALS OF SOLAR ENERGY FOR RURAL LIVELIHOOS

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#### **Current status of energy use** The Energy requirements for villagers are high and is increasing **Primary need of energy :** 1. Cooking 2. lighting 3. Livelihood activities 4. Water heating Villagers using unclean fuel for these purpose.



### Problems connected to it

- In addition to high Carbon emission,
- i) Increased expenditure for fuel
- ii) Impact on the health
- iii) High cost of energy affectspotential livelihood/reducedincome
- iv) Education of the rural children



## Use of Solar Energy

- I. Solar water heaters (only 5% of Rural households using it)
- 2. Solar Street lights
- 3. Solar lanterns
- 4. Solar Dryers and
- 5. Micro Solar Domes

#### Problems with current usage

- No ownership from the part of the community to the introduced solar projects
- No local technicians trained in the operation & maintenance of the projects
- Problems with the storage of solar energy (its high cost & low longevity)
- Cost of off grid roof top PV plants



## Intervention Required

- Solar cookers (available but not popular/not user friendly)
- Solar Water purifiers
- Solar water pumping system
- Low cost water heating units
- Low cost solar dryers for Fruits & vegetables



#### Potentials

Building the capacity of Women Self Help Groups as Local Entrepreneurs in Solar **Energy products & services** This will improve gender parity as wells as solar power revolution in rural India Promoting SHG operated village level Entrepreneurships help women become the pioneers of clean energy.



## Solar Conduction Dryer



- Capacity of the Dryer: 12-15 kg Fruits
- 32-66% time saving than normal drying
- Area- 2 x 2 meter (4 M2 Drying area)
- Cost Rs.35000 (Euro 450) 4 Trays
- Using the Dryer for :
- Drying Banana for making baby powder, Jack fruit seed for powder, & for drying Drumstick leaves.



#### Dried banana powder



## Ready-To-Cook Tender JF (Veg)





### MSD introduced in Tribal villages



### MSD – inside the household



#### MSD installed in the tiled house















# Thank you

