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Reflection of Day 1-2

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Background

- Food Security and Nutrition (FSN) in ASEAN
 - Achieving MDG-1
 - SDG-2: challenges beyond extreme hunger and malnutrition
 - Global Initiatives: Zero Hunger Challenges
 - Regional Projects: ASEAN Sustainable Agri-food Systems

- ASEAN Community Building
 - ASEAN Blueprints 2025
 - ASEAN Integrated Food Security Framework
 - ASEAN Vision & Strategic Plan for Food, Agriculture & Forestry 2025
 - Multiple role and contribution of agriculture sector

- Key Challenges
 - Towards “Sustainable & Inclusive” Agriculture
 - Systemic shift



Sustainable Agri-Food System: Setting the Scene

- Failure and consequences of “input intensification” & “Disconnectivity of Nutrition, Dietary Diversification and Production Diversification”
- Emerging challenges: agro-biodiversity loss, water scarcity, land & soil quality, climate change
- SAS → “***systems that produce safe, good quality and affordable agri-food products while maintaining livelihoods and social welfare and ecosystem services***”
 - For present and future generations
 - Integrating local wisdom and traditional knowledge

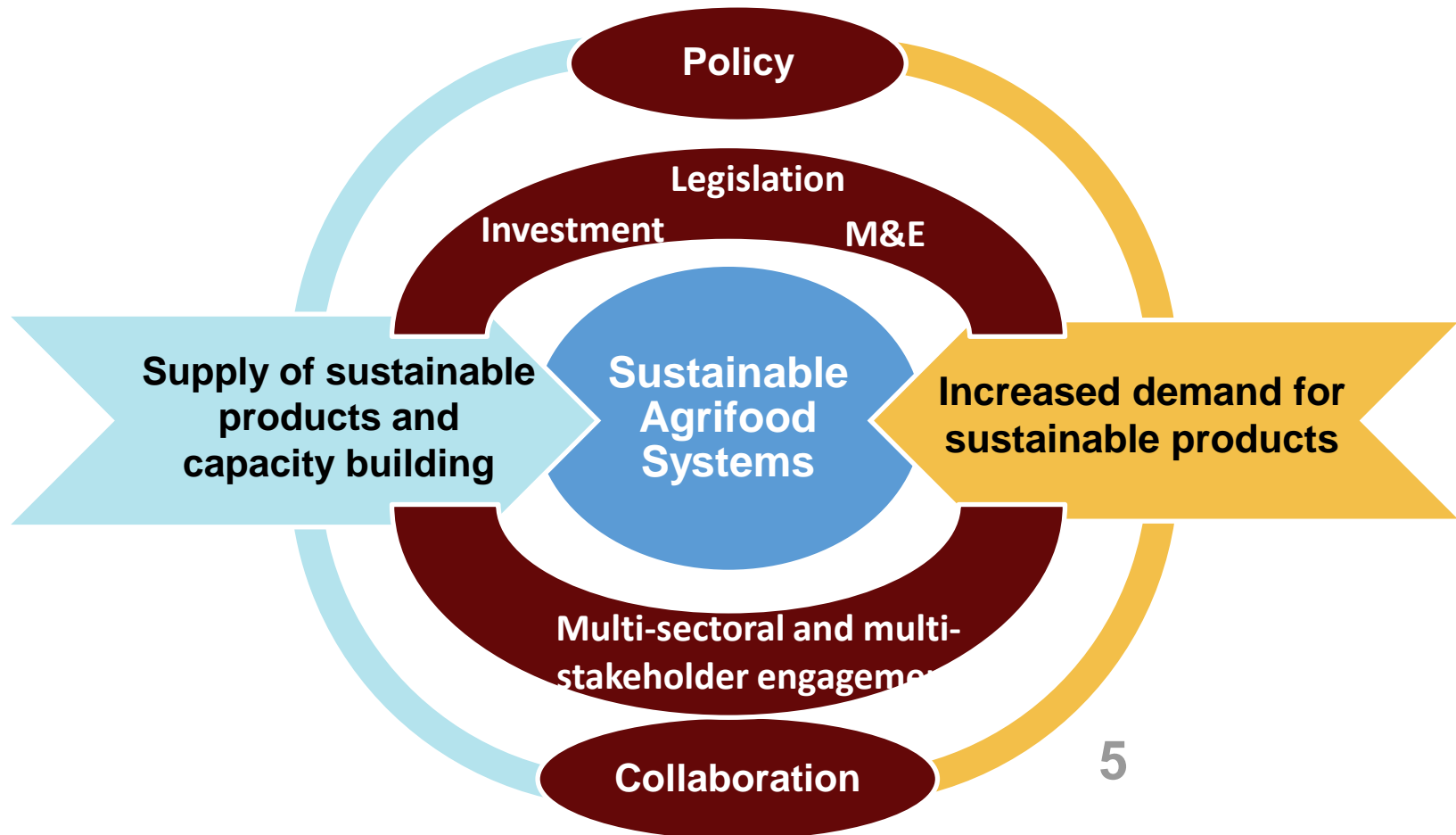


Sustainable Agri-Food System: Setting the Scene

- On-going trends & development
 - “Save and Grow”, “Less for More”
 - “Save Food Initiative”, “Sustainable Consumption”
 - “Future Smart Food”
 - Private sector moving towards sustainable sourcing
 - Strengthening farmers, farmer organizations, community resilience,and more



Enabling Environment: A Theory of Change (FAO)





Sustainable Agri-Food System: Zoon-In

- Making agri-food systems sustainable and inclusive!

- Production Technology
 - Technology development and adoption
 - Agriculture diversification VS intensification
 - Farming as a business

- Value Chains & Inclusive Agri-business
 - Stakeholder cooperation along the value chains
 - Food standard
 - Awareness & knowledge

- Capacity Development and Leadership
 - Module for Sustainable Agriculture (MoSA)
 - Targeting policy makers, institutions/extension/multipliers, farmers/farmer groups



Systemic Shift

- Awareness / appreciation / clearing house / leadership → Sustainable Agri-food System
- From “subsidies” to “investment”
- Realignment and setting priority of policies / strategies towards sustainable & inclusive agri-food systems
- From “public-led extension” to “sustainability services delivery”
- Public-Private-Partnership (PPP) → shared vision/goal, aligned knowledge & resources, concerted actions