



## Onions for domestic markets and regional exports

The Myanmar onion varieties have good storage qualities and are widely appreciated for their flavour. Farmers' yields and income are rather low. Local market demand is consistently high throughout the year. There is also a potential demand for Myanmar onions in some of the other ASEAN countries (e.g. Indonesia, Malaysia and Thailand) during several months of the year. Production, storage and marketing improvements can help farmers and traders in the onion sector to increase their incomes.

### **What do we do?**

Together with the local farmers and the members of the Myanmar Onion, Garlic and Culinary Crops Production & Exporting Association we have set up pilot activities in two different onion production regions: Magway and Myingyan.

In Magway region we focus mainly on improving the cultivation, storage and marketing practices. Demonstrations in farmers' fields and field days are important aspects of these pilots. In Myingyan there is also an important element of testing of new onion cultivars.

After the first season we will also work on the development of Good Agricultural Practices so that regional exports will be facilitated.

### **Downloads**

If you are interested to learn more about the progress and results of these pilots, please download the material below.

### **Partners**

**Myanmar Onion, Garlic and Culinary Crops Production & Exporting Association** supports the storage and (export) marketing activities as well as dissemination of pilot results.

**Bejo** [*external link to website partner*] provides inputs and technical training for farmers in the Myingyan area

**East West Seeds** [*external link to website partner*] provides inputs and technical training for farmers in the Magway area.

**Omnivent** [*external link to website partner*] provides technical support on improved onion storage

**Advance Consulting** [*external link to website partner*] facilitates the improved marketing activities.