

## Test Your Prototype & Get Feedback

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### The Good?

- What did people value the most?
- What got them excited?
- What convinced them about the idea?

Gulit vendors valued that the project proposal is identifying the root cause of food loss within their stall. We were surprised how much time they spent with us, giving us information about their profits, daily transport routes and they appreciate that we take the issues they face seriously.

To convince stakeholders about our idea, we were showing existing food storage/preservation and drying systems from around the world. We explained that we are proposing a simple, sustainable, and cost efficient system that can be produced and improved locally. This has made the vendors, government representatives and buyers curious and eager to try out our prototypes.

### The Unexpected?

- Did anything happen that you didn't expect?

The amount of food loss witnessed throughout all informal market areas was unexpected. Furthermore, vendors don't have knowledge nor countable data to tackle the problem. This has given the team members more reason to delve into the challenge.

Positive feedback from vendors and government administration was also unexpected. Everyone (including vendors, city administration, and buyers) are willing to test the prototypes. The city administration has even offered to provide team members site to test the prototypes on.

### The Bad?

- What failed?
- Were there suggestions for improvement?
- What needs further investigation?

The competitiveness among vendors is a limitation that will need to be carefully understood and resolved.

The pavilion for food preservation, storage, and drying is proposed to be providing a space and infrastructure that builds strong partnership within the community at the same time giving each vendor the competitive advantage increasing their market sales and products. This is the challenge the team has to overcome in order to build strong partnership within the community.

### What Next

- Based on what you learned, how will you change your idea?
- What will you test next?

Two Prototypes of the same idea will be tested: First one is a food storage/preservation on the individual level. This is to test the proposed material's functions in order to answer questions including " Does it really preserve food?", "will there be less waste?", "Is everyone just buying more at the moment and still throwing food by the end of the day", "Is the preserved food still sellable?", "Will it provoke other communal issues?"; and the second is a similar prototype but tested on a communal level. It will involve communication between the different stakeholders including the city administration, vendors, dwellers and buyers. It will also have a bigger impact on the neighborhood as a whole. It will be a landmark, attracting more people from outside the community to the gulit.

Both scales will be accompanied by training of food storing, preservation and drying and will also have a waste disposal system to be implemented on the side.