



Farmer Internal Audits

As of this month, we started to visit our farmers in their working areas, hazelnut gardens.

Activities are carried out to improve the social, environmental and agricultural aspects of product development in the light of the information obtained from farmers during farmer trainings and through internal audits.

At the same time, the "Agrotics" application, where we complete the internal inspections of the farmers and record their garden mapping, agricultural and social practices, is also used.



Organic Agriculture Input Support

We provided 105 tons of organic farming input support to our hazelnut farmers from 5 different provinces.

More than 300 farmers were provided with soil conditioner organic fertilizer, which increases microorganism activity in hazelnut gardens and makes plant nutrients more useful.

Model Garden Activities



In this month, we have carried out garden drainage activity at four model gardens according to the ground water height. In April, vegetative period begins, summer fertilizer application was made according to soil analysis in order to encourage shoot and fruit formation.

Calcium polysulfide application has been made for the control of Hazelnut bud mite, which causes damage to branches and destruction of fruit buds. A second summer fertilizer application is planned approximately one month later.



Since the diseases and pests start to emerge in hazelnut within this period, monitoring pest and disease activity continue in our model gardens.

Traps are placed in hazelnut gardens to detect the insect population especially the Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (*Halyomorpha halys*). Integrated pest management will be applied according to observation that is recorded in phenological development charts. In this context, biological, biotechnical, mechanical and as a final solution suitable chemical control methods will be applied.

Training for Women Workers in the Provinces of Origin

Within the scope of our efforts to prevent child labor in seasonal agriculture, our empowerment workshops for women were completed in cooperation with the Genç Hayat Foundation. 126 female workers received training on the following subjects.

- Parents' identifying the problems they experience
- Methods of coping with possible problems from different perspectives
- Awareness of the importance of women in society, their legal rights, technological developments and children rights

