ThirdEye: Flying Sensors to Support Farmers' Decision Making



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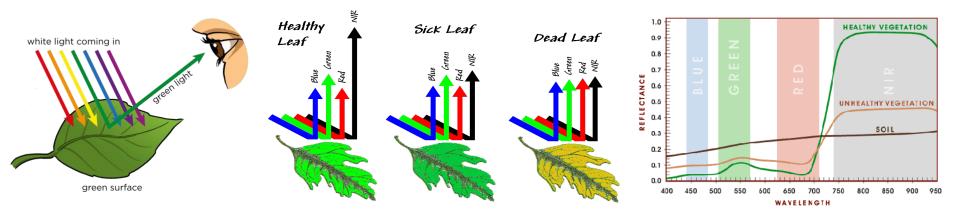
- 1. Limited recourses, such as water, seeds and fertilizer
- 2. Too late in detecting crop stress observation
- 3. Require improved knowledge to boost productivity
- 4. No overview over their field





How does it work?





- Normalized Difference Vegetation Index (NDVI) values give an indication of crop stress
- NDVI shows status of the crop 10 days earlier than what can be seen by the human eye



Comparison with satellites





Fixed overpass times



Low spatial resolution

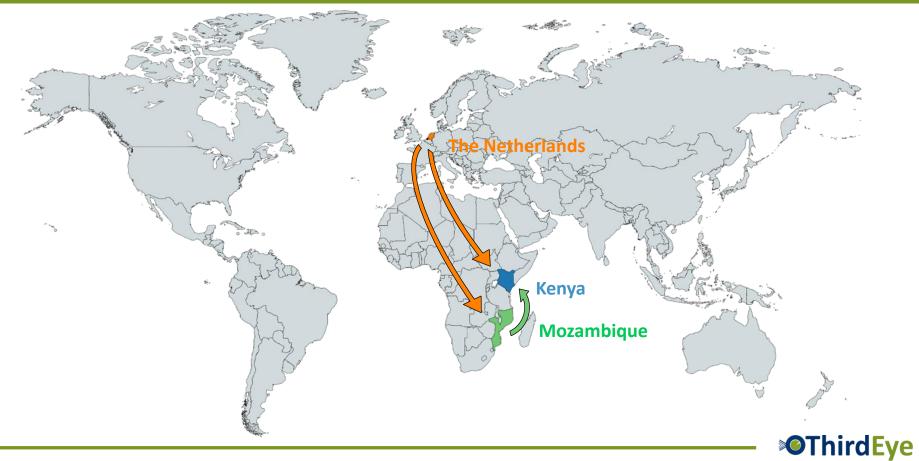


Unable to acquire information when clouds are present



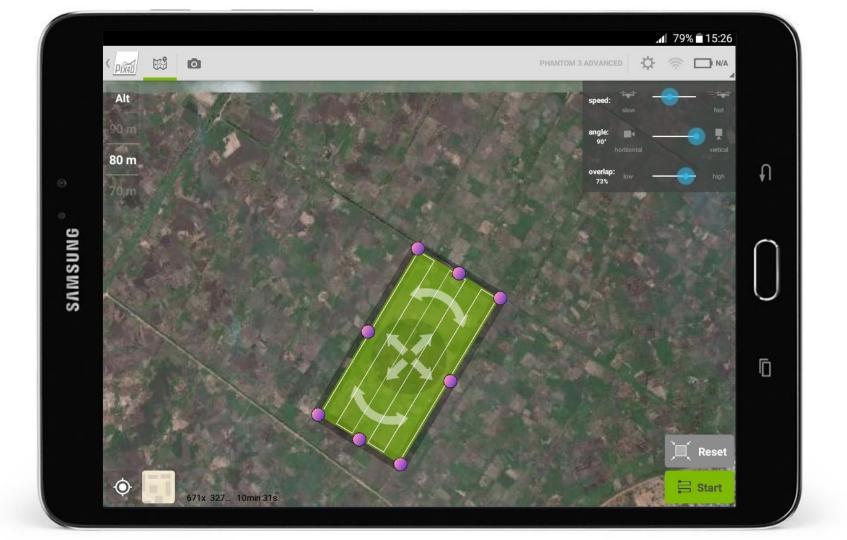
Development of ThirdEye









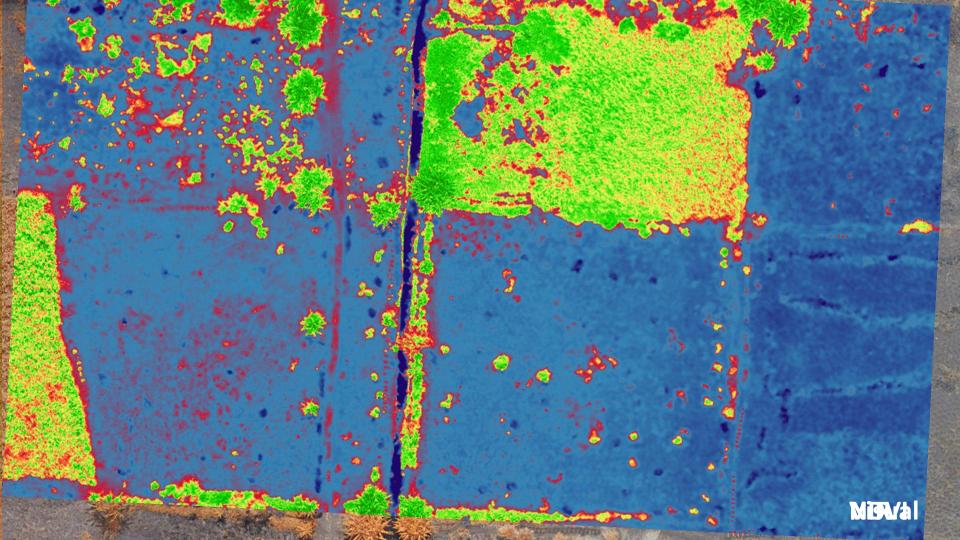






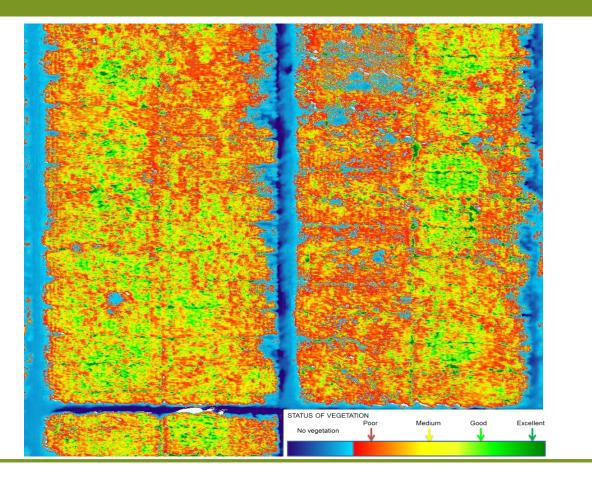






NDVI of sugarcane fields



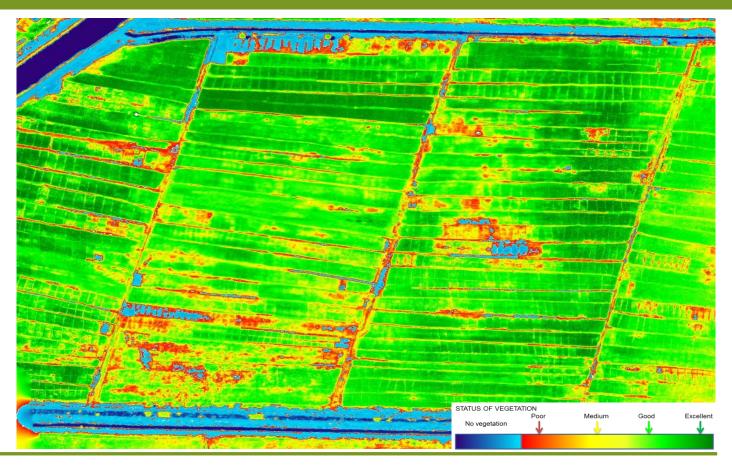




NDVI of rice fields

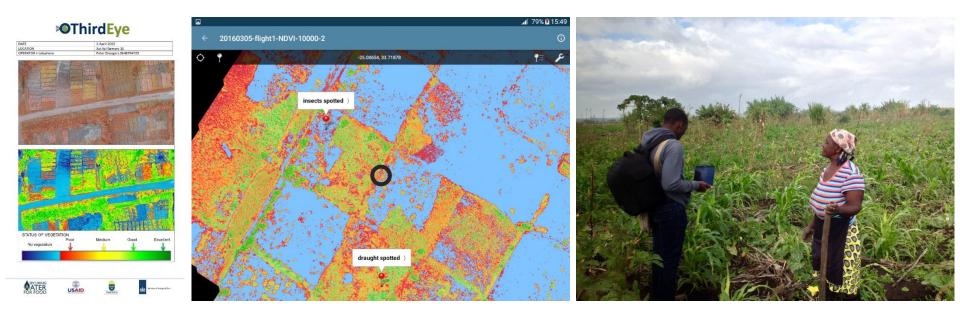


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Advisory to farmers



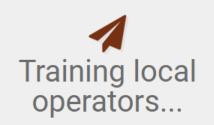




https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_UyNjGZRLII

Achievements





14 local Flying Sensor operators have been trained and obtained their certificate. 11 Flying Sensors are now operational. To help farmers in Mozambique...

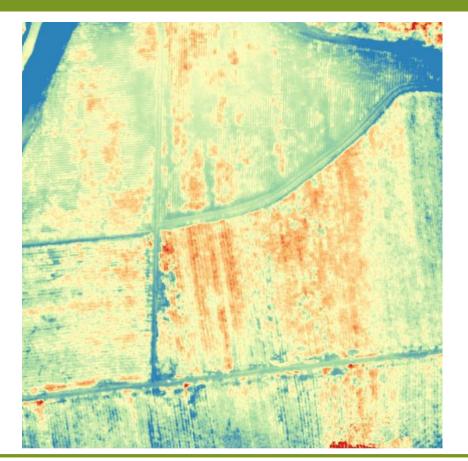
Over 3,500 farmers receive our service, of which 71% is female. Total beneficiaries is over 17,000. Get more crop per drop!

ThirdEye's service area in Mozambique is over 1,600 ha, resulting in a water productivity increase of 55%.

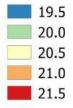


Alternative application: Digital Elevation Model





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Application: land levelling or crop height





Asante sana!