

Comments From Garasian Tribal Women During Independent Field Test by the Foundation for Ecological Security (Udaipur, India)

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Prakti Leo Wood Stove – Single Burner

<u>Positive Comments</u>	<u>Negative Comments</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Less wood• <i>Makai ki roti</i> (maize flatbread) takes less time to cook (user says she thinks it is because the stove is metal)• Less smoke	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No raised platform for collecting ashes• <i>Makai ki roti</i> (maize flatbread) takes longer to cook• Opening for wood is too small
<u>Other Comments</u>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Seemed to use same amount of wood as before• Beneficiaries used burner indoors• Cannot use fat pieces of wood but can use long pieces of wood• One user was using the cookstove when we arrived for a surprise visit. She seems to use it regularly. She was not using the wood stand. She had placed the stove at the edge of the pit where the traditional <i>chulha</i> (mud cookstove) was to collect ashes neatly• We timed a few wheat <i>rotis</i> (flatbread): they took about 2 minutes to prepare which is consistent/slightly faster than previous measurements taken in the field	



Preparing curry on the Prakti single burner cookstove.

Prakti Leo Wood Stove – Double Burner

<u>Positive Comments</u>	<u>Negative Comments</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Second burner is good for heating water• Less smoke• Can use long pieces of wood• Uses less wood	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No raised platform for collecting ashes• No perceived difference in wood consumption• Cannot use fat pieces of wood• <i>Makai ki roti</i> (maize flatbread) takes longer to cook• Opening for wood is too small• Many women not used to using two-burners
<u>Other Comments</u>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wheat <i>roti</i> (flatbread) takes same time to cook as before• Seemed to use same amount of wood as before• Beneficiaries used burner indoors• Cannot use fat pieces of wood but can use long pieces of wood• During a surprise visit, one user was not using her new cookstove. She said she did not like it but did not elaborate why upon asking her.• One user says she uses the first burner for <i>sabzi</i> (vegetables) and once it is semi-cooked, she switches it to the second burner and makes wheat <i>roti</i> (flatbread) on the first burner• One user says she uses burner for <i>makai ki roti</i> (maize flatbread) in addition to other foods	



Cooking set up for Prakti Double Burner.