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ACTIVITIES FROM PHASE I

Below is a list of all the 27 protocols which were (or are) implemented during phase I of the IP programme. For more information on any protocol please contact the National Facilitator (NF) of the respective country implementing the protocol:

Zambia: Promotion of urban consumption of traditional foods; Technologies: A case study of the Yenga Press oil processor; Environmental data; Farm animal genetic resources (survey and field guide); Socioeconomic and gender analysis (SEAGA); Gender disaggregated data analysis; Training in community mobilisation and agricultural cooperation. NF: Merinas Nyendwa FAO-ZMB@field.fao.org

Namibia: Freshwater fisheries research and management collaboration; Peri-urban agriculture; Research policy and the establishment of a central database; Farm animal genetic resources (survey and field guide); Gender disaggregated data; Household resource management and SEAGA; Integration of gender concepts into the curriculum of the Faculty of Agriculture and Natural Resources. NF: Adelheid Awases iprog@mweb.com.na

Uganda: Support to transfer and adoption of labour saving technology; Mainstreaming HIV/AIDS in agricultural extension; Agroforestry technology transfer; Farm animal genetic resources (survey and field guide); Socioeconomic and gender analysis (SEAGA); GDD networking; Engendering the curriculum for livestock health providers NF: Catherine Barasa barasa@infocom.co.ug and Forough Olinga ipuganda@utlonline.co.ug

Zimbabwe: Strengthening the pluralistic extension system; National food security information networking; Food security information dissemination; Farm animal genetic resources (survey and field guide); Socioeconomic and gender analysis. NF: Marjorie Gova gova@zarnet.ac.zw

Publications

Recipe book from Zambia

After concern was raised about the high levels of malnutrition in urban areas and the low availability of information regarding the nutritive value of traditional foods a survey was completed under phase I, to determine the consumption patterns and demand for traditional foods. From this survey a number of constraints to the urban consumption of traditional food were discovered which lead to several recommendations including sensitizing consumers to the nutritional value of traditional foods, to methods of preparation and preservation and to improving the marketing and quality of these products. The follow up to this activity was the production of a traditional food recipe book, which aims to popularise traditional foods. This recipe book contains a variety of delicious dishes which can be prepared with traditional foods. Already 1000 copies have been distributed.

HIV/AIDS study report from Uganda

The IP protocol on mainstreaming HIV/AIDS awareness in agriculture extension involved the completion of a study which provides insights on the impact of HIV/AIDS on agricultural production (crops, livestock and fisheries) and food security and provides information on the constraints faced by extension staff in addressing HIV/AIDS. The report based on the study proposes a strategy for developing and integrating HIV/AIDS messages into agricultural extension. Training materials are being prepared and MAAIF is in the process of packaging HIV/AIDS extension messages for its staff.

Lessons Learnt Report

The IP is one of the first programmes at FAO to focus on increasing the collaboration between different technical units within FAO and at the country level. Many challenges were faced when getting the programme off the ground, highlighting the fact that it is not easy to develop and implement sustainable agricultural development programmes in a more integrated and collaborative way. Due to the importance of learning where obstacles to collaboration exist, IP with the help of an external consultant decided to write and disseminate a lessons learnt report based on discussions with NTF members, National Facilitators, PITF members, FAO resource persons and FAO PAIA managers and an extensive literature review on the challenges and success factors related to developing and managing collaborative alliances. This paper elaborates where the difficulties in cross-sectoral collaboration and interdisciplinary endeavours lie and makes valuable recommendations for cross-sectoral collaboration within FAO and sectoral organisations in the field and the development of phase II.

Events

IP staff at headquarter visit national offices

John Hourihan (all countries), Esther Wieggers (March) and Vibeke Hermanrud (April) will be visiting Zambia 9 to 19 March, Uganda 19 to 26 March, Namibia 14 to 22 April and Zimbabwe 23 to 29 April. They will be assisting in the set up of Phase II of the IP.

World Food Summit: Five years later

FAO will host a global conference at its Rome headquarters from 10-13 June. At this meeting the progress towards ending hunger since the 1996 World Food Summit will be reviewed and ways to accelerate the elimination of this problem will be discussed. At this internationally important event, IP will be displaying programme information in the form of posters and fact sheets with lessons learnt and best cases in order to increase awareness of IP's achievements. For more information see:

<http://www.fao.org/worldfoodsummit/>.

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