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## **Uganda - Integrating Agriculture in National Adaptation Plans (NAP-Ag) Inception Report**

### **Inception Workshop Overview**

Date: 31 July – 1 August 2016

Location: Mukono, Uganda

Organizers: Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries (MAAIF) of Uganda, FAO and UNDP

The Inception Workshop of the NAP-Ag programme for Uganda was attended by 114 representatives from FAO, UNDP, MAAIF, Ministry of Water and Environment, Parliament, educational institutes, agricultural extension services, local government, NGOs, and international development partners.

#### **Workshop Objectives:**

- Sensitize key stakeholders and partners on the need to support a NAP process for the agriculture sectors and present the process of drafting a NAP for the agriculture sectors;
- Officially launch the FAO-UNDP programme 'Supporting Developing Countries to Integrate Agriculture Sectors into National Adaptation Plans' for Uganda;
- Present the use of the Cost Benefit Analysis tool and vulnerability assessments for the agriculture sectors and demonstrate how they are integrated into the NAP process.

#### **Highlights:**

- Hon. Vincent B. Ssempijja, Minister of Agriculture, Animal Industries and Fisheries, welcomed all stakeholders to launch the NAP-Ag process in Uganda;
- Mr. Sunday Mutabazi, Commissioner of Agricultural Infrastructure and Water for Production, chaired the first session and introduced Dr. Willy Kakuru, national project coordinator of the NAP-Ag programme;
- Ms. Rohini Kohli (UNDP) introduced the NAP-Ag Global Programme as an opportunity to prepare countries for medium- and long-term responses to Climate Change Adaptation;
- Mr. Chebet Maikut, Commissioner of the Climate Change Department, emphasised the synergies between the various national Development Policies, the SDGs, and the NAP-Ag process. He thanked FAO, UNDP, and the BMUB for financial and technical support;
- UN resident coordinator/FAO representative Mr. Alhaji M. Jallow stated that progress towards a NAP-Ag would be part of the overall NAP to address climate change in the mid- to long-term;
- Dr. Kakuru presented on the programme's areas of focus for the agriculture sectors, which included adaptation actions in each of the sectors (crops, livestock, fisheries, forestry and other land uses), and cross-cutting themes such as gender and research.

- Ms. Catherine Hill and Ms. Stella Tereka (NAP-Ag consultants) highlighted the importance of gender inclusion in adaptation planning and steps for gender mainstreaming in the programme;
- Dr. Revocatus Twinomuhangi (Makerere University) explained the objectives and approach of vulnerability assessment and cost-benefit analysis for assessing adaptation options and developing a policy mainstreaming roadmap;
- Ms. Sarah Mujabi, the UNDP project focal point, presented NAP-Ag programme's objectives and outcomes for Uganda.

## Country Priorities:

### Agriculture

- Extension services and Climate information and early warning systems
- Climate-Smart Agriculture, including diversification of crops and livestock
- Post-harvest handling and storage and access to markets, including micro-finance
- Rangeland management
- Small-scale water infrastructure
- Research on climate resilient crops and animal breeds
- Electricity to the rural areas or expanding the use of off-grid solar system to support value addition and irrigation

### Forestry

- Encouraging agro-forestry and efficient biomass energy production and utilization technologies
- Promoting intensified and sustained forest restoration efforts and biodiversity and watershed conservation

### Water

- Improving water efficiency
- Ensuring water supply to key economic sectors, especially for agriculture and domestic use, including water harvesting and storage
- Managing water resource systems and wetlands towards flood prevention and conservation of existing resources

### Cross-cutting

- Increasing knowledge for climate change adaptation
- Integrating climate change in sectoral policies, plans and budgets

## Results:

- The implementation process of the National Adaptation Plan (NAP) for the agriculture sectors was officially launched in Uganda;
- The work plan for the NAP-Ag project was reviewed and endorsed by the stakeholders. Input from the stakeholders would be used to update the NAP-Ag project documents;
- An updated CBA report for adaptation options with input from the stakeholders from the workshop;
- A National Steering Committee was created to ensure coordination between the agriculture sectors.

*This overview was generated by the Integrating Agriculture in National Adaptation Plans (NAP–Ag) Programme. The full Inception Report and information on other NAP-Ag activities in Uganda can be found on the following pages:*

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