

REPORT ON VISIT TO ETHIOPIA
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21-November-2004 to 27-November-2004

PURPOSE

- **Personnel:** meet with CropLife Ethiopia and other training personnel.
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- **Training:** conduct five day Training of Trainers course in Ethiopia for Government Storekeeper Trainers assisted by CropLife Ethiopia, FAO and Belgian Technical Cooperation in Ethiopia.
- **Training Materials:** hand over training materials to all trainees.
- **Meeting:** meet with CropLife Ethiopia personnel and participants to discuss training plan and reporting.

ACTIVITIES

Sunday, 21-November-2004

08h00: **Preparation**
13h30: Depart Harare (UM374)
18h00: Arrive Nairobi (UM374)
21h45: Depart Nairobi (KQ400)
23h45: Arrive Addis Ababa (KQ400)
Overnight: Addis Ababa - Hilton Hotel

Monday, 22-November-2004

08h00: **Venue preparation**
10h00: **Training of Trainers Day1**
18h00: End of Day 1
Overnight: Addis Ababa - Hilton Hotel

Tuesday, 23-November-2004

08h30: **Training of Trainers Day 2**
18h00: End of Day 2
Overnight: Addis Ababa - Hilton Hotel

Wednesday, 24-November-2004

08h30: **Training of Trainers Day 3**
18h00: End of Day 3
Overnight: Addis Ababa - Hilton Hotel

Thursday, 25-November-2004

08h30: **Training of Trainers Day 4**
18h00: End of Day 4

Overnight: Addis Ababa - Hilton Hotel

Friday, 26-November-2004

08h30: **Training of Trainers Day 5**

16h00: End of Day 5

Overnight: Addis Ababa - Hilton Hotel

Saturday, 27-November-2004

04h00: Depart Addis Ababa (KQ401)

06h00: Arrive Nairobi (KQ401)

07h25: Depart Nairobi (KQ460)

10h25: Arrive Johannesburg (KQ460)

12h30: Depart Johannesburg (BA6267)

14h05: Arrive Harare (BA6267)

15h00: **Reports & administration**

Overnight: Home

KEY PERSONNEL CONTACTED

- Fikre Markos, Head, Crop Protection Department, Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development.
- Getachew Cherinet, Executive Officer, CropLife Ethiopia.
- Olivier Machiels, Belgian Technical Cooperation.
- Dr. Kevin Helps, FAO-ASP Obstocks Project Manager, FAO, Rome.
- Dr. Alemayehu Wodajeneh, FAO Obstocks Project Consultant, Addis Ababa.
- Biratu Oljira, FAO Obstocks Project Management Team, Addis Ababa.
- Alemayehu Woldemmanuel, FAO Obstocks Project Management Team, Addis Ababa.
- Mesfin Endezinaw, CropLife Ethiopia executive, Addis Ababa.
- Nick Morgan, Project Manager, Shanks, UK (Obstocks clean up contractors).
- Leith Watson, Site Manager, Shanks, UK (Obstocks clean up contractors).
- 14 Trainer participants.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Meeting of Mesfin Endezinaw of CropLife Ethiopia executive.
- Facilitated five day course on Training of Trainers for 14 Storekeeper Trainers.
- Discussions on further co-operation & training next year.
- Presented electronic copies of Safe Use training materials to all participants and other parties.
- Discussions on other CropLife issues, each of which I will take up with the individuals concerned - Les Hillowitz, Chris Waller, Keith Jones.

ACTIONS REQUIRED

- Plan for future training for next year (CropLife Ethiopia, KH, OM, LH).

- Provide training report to CropLife Ethiopia, Peter Mills, Les Hillowitz and Ali Mohammed Ali (CropLife Ethiopia).
- Contact other potential stakeholders regarding possible co-operation in future training (CropLife Ethiopia, LH).
- Each participant is to set out his plans for the coming 6 months, which must include at least one, preferably two, trainings per participant, including submitting a training plan to Olivier & Getachew by end of December (GC, OM).

CONCLUSION

Another successful ToT course. Some participants struggled. Two became sick, and so have not completed the course. For them to complete they must now write the test and redo their lessons. This is to be arranged by Getachew and Olivier. Two participants received Certificates of Attendance. Ten participants received Certificates of Competence. The two who received Attendance Certificates will be allowed to rewrite the test and redo their lessons, to try and upgrade their certificates to Competence. Again for this to be arranged with Getachew and Olivier.

It is very critical for Getachew to follow-up on the training plans, to be submitted by end of December, and also to follow-up on each participant doing further training. All trainings must be reported to the Obstocks Project Team, CropLife Ethiopia and CropLife Africa Middle East.

Discussions with Kevin Helps also included the updating of the Disposal Guideline. He would like to meet with our editorial people and discuss the content. An important issue for CropLife International, which I will follow up with Keith.

I cannot thank Olivier Machiels of Belgium Technical Cooperation, enough for all his efforts and co-operation in putting together this ToT course, with such limited funds. Getachew too, must be congratulated on his efforts and hard work. Many thanks.

KEY

PM = Peter Mills

LH = Les Hillowitz

GC = Getachew Cherinet

OM = Olivier Machiels

Peter Mills

27-November-2004



Storekeeper Trainers do last minute preparations on their lesson plans and lesson materials, before presenting their lessons to all participants on Day 5 of the ToT course for Storekeeper Trainers from all areas in Ethiopia.



The excellent atmosphere created by the organisers from the Ethiopian Obstocks Project and CropLife Ethiopia was boosted by monitoring by FAO and the Obstocks Project Management Team members, all seen here.