

REPORT ON VISIT TO CAMEROON

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14-May-2005 to 21-May-2005

PURPOSE

- **Personnel:** meet with CropLife Cameroon executive.
- **Training:** Training of Facilitators course (abbreviated to 4 days) for CropLife Cameroon, including MoA, exporters, industry trainers.
- **Training Materials:** pass on all available training materials to participants and Cameroon.
- **Training Meeting:** follow-up report to CropLife Cameroon on ToT course and plans for future training in 2006.

ACTIVITIES

Saturday, 14-May-2004

08h00: **Preparation**

18h00: Depart Pietermaritzburg

20h40: Depart Durban (SA584)

21h50: Arrive Johannesburg (SA584)

Overnight: Airport/Plane

Sunday, 15-May-2005

00h40: Depart Johannesburg (KQ463)

05h50: Arrive Nairobi (KQ463)

12h30: Depart Nairobi (KQ506)

14h20: Arrive Douala (KQ506)

17h00: Arrive hotel

Overnight: Douala - Ibis Hotel

Monday, 16-May-2005

07h00: Depart hotel

07h30: **Meeting & preparation**

09h00: Depart Douala

10h00: Arrive Limbe

11h00: **Training of Trainers Day 1**

18h00: End of training

Overnight: Limbe - Holiday Inn Resort

Tuesday, 17-May-2005

08h00: **Training of Trainers Day 2**

18h00: End of training

Overnight: Limbe - Holiday Inn Resort

Wednesday, 18-May-2005

08h00: **Training of Trainers** Day 3

18h00: End of Training

Overnight: Limbe - Holiday Inn Resort

Thursday, 19-May-2005

08h00: **Training of Trainers** Day 4

19h00: End of Training

Overnight: Limbe - Holiday Inn Resort

Friday, 20-May-2005

08h00: **Reports, data capture, correspondence & administration**

09h30: Depart Limbe

11h00: Arrive Douala

11h30: **Reports, data capture, correspondence & administration**

19h00: **Meeting:** CropLife Cameroon (no show!)

23h55: Depart Douala (KQ507)

Overnight: plane

Saturday, 21-May-2005

06h15: Arrive Nairobi (KQ507)

07h20: Depart Nairobi (KQ460)

10h35: Arrive Johannesburg (KQ460)

14h00: Depart Johannesburg (SA8038)

15h20: Arrive Pietermaritzburg (SA8038)

16h00: **Reports and administration**

Overnight: home

KEY PERSONNEL CONTACTED

- Christian Louvet, CropLife Cameroon.
- Patrick Kofi, CDC, Limbe
- Charles Endeley, CDC, Limbe
- Mde. Theodora GUIMME, MINADER/DPA/SDPV, Yaounde
- Mde. Gisele ETOUNDE, MINADER/DPA/SDPV, Yaounde
- 10 Facilitators.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Facilitated abbreviated four day course on Training of Trainers for 12 Master Trainers from government, NGO and private sectors, 2 of whom were attending as a refresher.

- Discussion on container disposal with Mde. Gisele ETOUNDE.
- Distribution of latest training materials on CD.

ACTIONS REQUIRED

- Plan for future training for rest of year (CLC, PM, BOY).
- Planning of ACTION PLAN, COMMITMENT FROM NATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS, COMMUNICATIONS CHANNELS, FEEDBACK, EVIDENCE AND RESULTS (CLC, BOY, all participants).
- Contact alternative potential stakeholders regarding possible co-operation in future training (CLC, BOY).
- Christian Louvet needs to sign the certificates. Participants have made their own plans to get certificates to Christian (CLC).

CONCLUSION

Once again, a challenging and extremely difficult course to run, logistically. Better planning would avoid confusion and problems. For a variety of reasons, the course was abbreviated to four days by cutting back on exercises, increasing attendance time, and allocating more homework. Again, despite the logistical and technical problems, we managed to produce a reasonable course, albeit abbreviated.

No-one came to the follow up meeting arranged for Friday evening in Douala, so I was unable to discuss future plans with CropLife Cameroon. Bama needs to follow up.

Some new and some experienced trainers, in particular Alice Mimba and Ndiva Manga Hans were great performers.

KEY

- PM = Peter Mills
- CLC = CropLife Cameroon
- BOY = Bama Octave Yao



Group exercises are part of the program towards developing the Master Trainers.



Ndive Manga Hans was a particularly good performer.



Ten Trainers from industry, private sector and government completed the course together with another two participants who were attending this course on a refresher basis.