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REPORT ON VISIT TO KUMASI, GHANA

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25-February-2007 to 03-March-2007

PURPOSE

- **Personnel:** meet with CropLife Ghana, GAIDA, APFOG, Government and other training personnel.
- **Personnel:** meet with IFDC, Ghana.
- **Training:** conduct a two day **Training of Trainers Refresher Course** in Kumasi, Ghana for Master Trainers who were trained in July, 2006.
- **Facilitation:** assist IFDC and GAIDA/Government/CropLife Ghana Trainers to facilitate a two day **Responsible Use Training Course** for members of GAIDA, agrochemical dealers and members of APFOG, farmers.
- **Assessment:** assessment of 7 Master Trainers, delivering four lessons each over two days to farmers and dealers together with extensionists.
- **Training:** conduct a **Feedback Workshop** in Kumasi, Ghana for Master Trainers who were trained in July, 2007.
- **Training Materials:** hand over CropLife training materials to interested parties.

ACTIVITIES

Sunday, 25-February-2007

- 08h00: **Preparation**
- 12h00: Depart Pietermaritzburg (by car)
- 14h40: Depart Durban (SA562)
- 15h50: Arrive Johannesburg (SA562)
- 17h20: Depart Johannesburg (SA052)
- 21h45: Arrive Accra (SA052)
- 23h00: Arrive hotel
- Overnight: Accra - Fiesta Royale Hotel

Monday, 26-February-2007

- 06h00: Depart hotel
- 08h00: Depart Accra (04211)
- 08h45: Arrive Kumasi (04211)
- 10h00: **Venue: Visit, Materials Preparation, Administration, Planning**
- 12h30: **Training of Trainers Refresher Course Day 1**

18h00: End of Day 1
Overnight: Kumasi - Silicon Hotel

Tuesday, 27-February-2007

08h00: **Training of Trainers Refresher Course Day 2**
17h00: End of Refresher Course
Overnight: Kumasi - Silicon Hotel

Wednesday, 28-February-2007

08h00: **Extensionists, Dealers & Farmers Training Course Day 1**
19h00: End of Day 1
Overnight: Kumasi - Silicon Hotel

Thursday, 01-March-2007

07h30: **Extensionists, Dealers & Farmers Training Course Day 2**
17h00: End of Day 2
17h30: **Closing of Workshop and Presentation of Certificates**
18h00: **Administration, marking, data capture**
Overnight: Kumasi - Silicon Hotel

Friday, 02-March-2007

08h00: **Training of Trainers Feedback Workshop**
10h30: End of Workshop
11h00: Depart Kumasi (by car)
16h00: Arrive Accra (by car)
16h00: **IFDC & SAA - administration**
17h30: Hotel: **administration, reports, data capture**
20h00: Depart hotel
23h00: Depart Accra (SA052)
Overnight: plane

Saturday, 19-February-2007

06h55: Arrive Johannesburg (SA052)
08h30: Depart Johannesburg (SA537)
09h40: Arrive Durban (SA537)
10h30: Depart Durban (by car)
11h30: Arrive Pietermaritzburg (by car)
12h00: **Reports, data capture & administration**
Overnight: Home

KEY PERSONNEL CONTACTED

- Manon Dohmen, IFDC, Togo.
- Juliet Biney, Executive Secretary, GAIDA, AAG, APFOG.
- Fred Boampong, CropLife Ghana
- Fiifi Ampong, APFOG, Accra

- Mr Kluffo, GAIDA President, Kumasi.
- 7 Master Trainer participants.
- 40 Dealer & Farmer Trainees.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Facilitated two day ToT Refresher course for 7 Master Trainers.
- Facilitated a two day Responsible Use course for 40 Extensionists, Dealers & Farmers.
- Conducted a half day Feedback Workshop for the 7 Master Trainers.
- Assessment and feedback for the 7 Master Trainers.
- Discussions on further co-operation & training this and next year.

ACTIONS REQUIRED

- Continue plans for future training for this and next year (CLG, BOY, PM).
- Provide training reports to CLG, Peter Mills and Bama Octave Yao (WK, all Master Trainers).
- Continue work with IFDC and other potential stakeholders regarding possible co-operation in future training (CLG, BOY).

CONCLUSION

This was the second ToT Refresher course in Ghana, with IFDC, this time with Extensionists, Dealers & Farmers mixed, and it was very successful altogether.

The two-day Extensionists-Dealers-Farmers training was very beneficial to both participants and the Trainers, under assessment. The evaluations from all participants were extremely positive and the Master Trainers should be congratulated on an excellent all-round performance. There were many requests from participants for further/more trainings, which needs to be followed up by CropLife Ghana.

The post-course feedback with the Trainers was also very valuable, and Ghana are very lucky to have so many excellent trainers and the resources of many stakeholders to support these trainings. More trainings are planned for this year, with the help of IFDC.

Once again we were able to have excellent co-operation with IFDC. Thanks to IFDC, CropLife Ghana and CropLife Africa Middle East for sponsorship of the four training sessions.

Very important to follow up with training plans and training reports, especially as prizes now made available by CropLife Africa Middle East.

KEY

PM = Peter Mills

BOY = Bama Octave Yao

CLG= CropLife Ghana

Peter Mills

03-March-2007



The 7 Master Trainers participated in a two-day Refresher Course, prior to the Responsible Use Training Course for the Extensionists-Dealers-Farmers.



Forty Extensionists, Dealers and Farmers, from the central Kumasi area (seen here at the introduction with Manon Dohmen of IFDC) participated in a two-day Responsible Use Training Course. The 7 Master Trainers presented two to three subjects each.



At the conclusion of the workshop, certificates were presented to the Extensionists, Dealers and Farmers by the Trainers and President Kluffo of GAIDA.



The group of Extensionists, Dealers, Farmers, Trainers and Organisers of the four Training Workshops, with facilitators, Manon Dohmen and Peter Mills.



On Day 5, a Feedback Workshop was conducted with the Trainers, including personal feedback on each lesson, and general feedback, plus analysing the piles of evaluation forms, tests and assessments.