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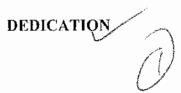
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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

NaSARRI : National Semi-Arid Resources Research Institute

SARRI : Serere Agricultural and Animal Resources Research Institute

IT : Industrial Training

OPV : Open Pollinated Varieties

NARO : National Agriculture Research Organization

SECOW: Serere cowpea

SERENUT: Serere groundnut

BUAC : bustema university arapai campus

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ABSTRACT

The industrial training was conducted at NaSARRI in Olio Sub County, Serere County, and Serere district which is located south of Soroti district about 27km form Soroti City. The main objective of the training was to produce practical or hands on orientated graduates who meet the job related competences and skills needed by their prospective employers.

During the training at NaSARRI, various activities were carried out which included; disease identification (blast) in finger millet, smut in sorghum, seed counting using manual seed counter in cotton, weighing of seeds in legumes, dressing of seeds in legumes, seed storing, rope marking, bulking, digitalization of data, packing of seeds in oil crops, scouting, tagging, emasculation, crossing, watering, plot, genotype, and Rep identification 100 seed count, grafting, potting, budging, making a yolk.

However, some challenges were encountered during the IT such as inadequate equipment for laboratory and data collection work, drought that adversely affects the experiments.

In conclusion, I gained a wealth of experience in regards to work and I am very optimistic that this industrial training will contribute significantly to my carrier development as an agricultural professional.

I recommend NaSARRI to purchase more equipment for faboratory use and data collection.

CHAPTER ONE INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

This chapter introduces you to the introduction, background, mission, vision, mandate, collaborators, location, research programmes, objectives of NaSARRI, and socio economic research.

1.0 Introduction

The industrial training was conducted for ten weeks from 28thfeb to 6th may. NaSARRI. Is a short form for National Semi - Arid Resources Research Institute and internship training is generally pre-requisite for students in certain programs at all levels of higher education at the institute of higher learning to increase the level of work of the graduates and under graduates. The program was introduced to empower the training competence in terms and provides student with the opportunities in the work place to receive practical experience in terms of effective communication, technology development, team work, practices, procedures and regulations, professional perspective and reporting.

1.1 Background of NaSARRI

NaSARRI is one of the sixteen agricultural research organizations under National Agricultural Research organization (NARO) established by an Act of Parliament in 2005 (http://www.nasarri.go.co.adex.plc).

NaSARRI was started in 1920 by the colonial government. It was by then called Serere Agricultural and Animal Research Organization(SAARI) after which it was to carry out Research for Semi-arid tropics and hence the name NaSARRI with support from the government of Uganda and several donors such as the world bank.

1.2 Location of NaSARRI

NaSARRI is one of the research institutes of National Agricultural Research Organization (NARO). Its located in the eastern agro-ecological zone in Serere district which was previously under Soroti district at altitude of 139 degrees north latitude 33degrees and 27 degrees east,27 kilometers south west of Soroti town. It's at an altitude of 3.078 feet above sea level with sandy loam soil and annual rainfall of 1972mm and bimodal distribution type.

1.3. Vision of NaSARRI.

To be a market leader in generation and dissemination of appropriate technologies for sustainable development in semi-arid areas