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# APPROVAL

This Internship is based on my Field Attachment that I did at the Consortium for enhancing University Responsiveness to Agribusiness Development for partial fulfilment of the requirements of the department of Agribusiness and Extension for award of a degree in Bachelors of Agribusiness, Busitema University Arapai Campus made under the supervision of the University and Field supervisors.

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## **DECLARATION**

I Nairuba Oliver hereby declare to the academic board of Busitema University that the Internship document in the report is a valid original copy, equipped with information out of my own effort and has been supervised and evaluated by Dr. Etiang Patrick during the period of Industrial training.

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## **DEDICATION**

This report is dedicated to the Almighty God for the wisdom, knowledge and protection that He granted to me during Industrial training. Furthermore, I dedicate it with special thanks to my mother Mrs. Ntabadde Ketty and dad Mr. Mugalya Zelubaberi for the continued support they have showed me as far as achieving my career is concerned.

I also dedicate this report to Busitema University Arapai campus especially to Dr. Etyang Patrick for the encouragement and motivation during supervision.

Finally, I dedicate this report to my friends Nabirye Ruth Joy, course mates whom we were attached to the same field during Industrial training. I congratulate you all and thanks for the teamwork exhibited while there.

May the Good Lord bless you all, Amen.

### ACKNOWLEDMENT

My sincere gratitude goes to the Almighty God for enabling me accomplish Industrial training successfully, fueling me this far despite the challenges I interfaced with and above all granting me with good health throughout the assigned period.

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I cannot sufficiently express my thanks to my field supervisor MR.TUMUSINGIZE PAPIUS for his constant efforts alongside his encouragement and guidance during my Industrial training.

God bless you all.

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## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

CURAD- Consortium of Enhancing University Responsiveness to Agribusiness Development

NUCAFE- National Union of Coffee Agribusiness and Farm Enterprises

NARO- National Agricultural Research Organization

CEBU- Coffee Entrepreneurship Bureau of Uganda

UniBRAIN- Universities, Business and Research in Agricultural Innovation

DANIDA - Danish International Development Agency

FARA- Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa

SMEs- Small Medium Enterprises

UCDA- Uganda Coffee Development Authority

UNBS - Uganda National Bureau of Standards

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### ABSTRACT

Industrial training is a course module that is conducted from either within or outside the University with the intension of imparting practical knowledge and skills to the students. I conducted my IT from CURAD (CEBU) located at Gayaza Kabanyolo in Kampala district for ten weeks from 28<sup>th</sup>/February/2022 to 07<sup>th</sup>/May/2022. The key objective of this training is to enable us as students apply the theory learnt at the University and put it into practice, get more knowledge in the field so as to know how to work with the community and be able to solve some of the challenges they are facing outside. During my Industrial Training, I carried out several activities specifically coffee processing, quality analysis, buying of coffee, value addition for example roasting, grinding, weighing, packaging, sealing and marketing of coffee and its products. During the period of IT, I gained a lot of skills post-harvest handling of coffee. Despite of the activities and skills gained in the field, I faced some challenges such as off season since serious harvesting of coffee had not started and hence limiting the clients to be attended to so as to continuously develop my skill in all aspects of value addition. In adequate working materials to be used in the field such as few electronic weighing machines to ease work, processing and value addition section. However, these challenges can be over came by the incubator preserving some coffee by storing it in stores for study purposes by IT students, purchasing of more working materials and equipment to be used by internees in the field and now congratulating CURAD for invading another form of power such as a generator other than relying only on electricity which is never stable and then successfully installing CCTV cameras in the facility (CEBU) to critically handle theft and monitor smooth running of activities. Conclusively the training was successfully done due to the co-operation and the maximum efforts maintained between Internees, field supervisors and the rest of the staff of CEBU.

### 1 CHAPTER ONE

### 1.1 Introduction

I carried out my IT at the Consortium for enhancing University Responsiveness to Agribusiness the practical work i did was according to procedures and guidance of the field supervisor.

Therefore, this report gives a detailed view of what i did during my internship.

# 1.2 Background of the Field Attachment

The Consortium of enhancing University Responsiveness to Agribusiness Development Limited (CURAD) is a not-for profit Organisation but a public-private partnership company limited, hosted and promoted by Makerere University, the National Union of Coffee Agribusiness and Farm Enterprises Limited (NUCAFE) and the National Agricultural Research Organisation (NARO). CURAD is one of the six incubators in Africa started and supported by the African Union through the forum of Agricultural Research in Africa under the UniBRAIN facility with funding from Danish foreign affairs officer-DANIDA International.

Since 2014, CURAD has supported over 400 mainly youth led SME's creating over 3000 jobs with its annual innovations challenge a feature of its agribusinesses innovation recruitment driver for deserving youths.

## 1.3 Objectives of Field Attachment

The objectives of the Field Attachment are as below:

- To enable students get hands-on experience in real life situation they are expected to face at workplaces after completion of their studies at the university.
- To enable students develop understanding of work ethics, employment demands, responsibilities and opportunities.
- To provide an avenue for students to apply the principles and techniques theoretically learnt at the University in solving real life problems at workplaces: that's to expose students to w working environment to link class work with real life practical work, when they relate academic programs to actual work setting so as to appreciate their applicability.