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LIST OF ABREVIATION

NaCRRI-National Crops Resources Research Institute.

DCP- Diploma in Crop Production and Management.

REG.NO-Registration number

NARO- National Agriculture Research Organization.

NGOs-Non-Governmental Organizations

CRBD- Completely Randomized Block Design.

OPVs-Open Pollinated Varieties.

NERICA- New Rice for Africa.

ABSTRACT

This industrial training report contains the details of practical activities carried out during the industrial training, skills gained, challenges, conclusions and recommendations at NaCRRI, this was carried out in six sections i.e., Administration, Farm workshop, Horticulture and palm oil, Cereals, Legumes and Root crops. Activities per section were conducted in one study week and other sections were assigned two weeks like legumes and root crops. These activities in a section were carried out under a specific program supervisor.

In administration section, orientation, induction and allocation were done throughout other research programs for a week. Farm workshop involved identification of tractor parts and farm implements and their operation. Legumes involved identification of varieties, Agronomy, entomology, pathology and breeding, horticulture involved nursery bed and field preparation, management and experimental designs. Cereal's breeding, field establishment, pest and disease identification and management through carrying out the above activities, I gained a lot of skills and knowledge for example in breeding, pathology, agronomy and pathology much as all were done successfully, I faced some little challenges which hindered the smooth running of the activities making me recommend addition of technical personnel's in the final chapter of the report.

CHAPTER ONE

1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 HISTORICAL BACKGROUND OF NaCRRI

National Crops Resources Research Institute (NaCRRI) formerly Namulonge Agricultural and animal Production research institute, is one of the research institutes under the policy guidance of the National agricultural research organization (NARO) located in Namulonge village, Namulonge sub county, Wakiso district in the central region of Uganda 27km along Gayaza-Zirobwe road, P.O.BOX 7084 Kampala, www.nacrri.go.ug, tel. +256 414573016.

It was established in 1949 by the empire cotton growing cooperation of Britain solely to investigate problems related to cotton production within the countries of British empire the cotton research cooperation handed over Namulongeto the Uganda government in 1972, the institute continued to operate as cotton research station until 1980's when research on other commodity crops and animal production was introduced the crops introduced included maize, cassava, sweet potatoes, rice, soya bean, sunflower, groundnuts, simsim and wheat in addition to cotton. Agroforestry research was also introduced to the institute at this time in addition, Namulonge supervised the collection of weather data, processing and transmission of the information to the department of meteorology and agriculture this information was processed into advisories on weather to farmers by both the department of meteorology and agriculture.

PRESENT MANDATE OF NaCRRI

With the re-organization of Agricultural research and the creation of the National Agricultural Research Organization (NARO), Namulonge became one of the Research institutes of NARO with the following programs;

Legumes

Root crops (cassava and sweet potatoes)

Cereals (maize and rice)

Horticulture and oil palm

NaCRRI is one of the six public Agricultural research institutions under the coordination of NARO whose mandate is to conduct research and knowledge generation on crops of strategic national importance.

SERVICES AND PRODUCTS OF NaCRRI

- o Foundation seed
- Expert consultancy services
- o Hi-tech laboratory services