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AEAS	Agricultural Extension and Advisory Services.	
AAW	African Armyworm	
CPD	Crop Protection Department.	
CDO	Cotton Development Organization.	
COCTU	Co-ordinating Office for Control of Trypanosomiasis in Uganda.	
ĎDA	Dairy Development Authority.	
DCP	Diploma in Crop Production and Management.	
DAES	Directorate of Agricultural Extension Services.	
DLCO-EA	Desert Locust Control Organization for East Africa.	
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization	
FAW	Fall Army worm	
FMNR	Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration.	
IPM	Integrated Pest Management.	
IТ	Industrial Training	
MAAIF	Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries.	
NAADS	National Agricultural Advisory Services	
NARO	NARO National Agricultural Research Organization.	
NAGRC&D	B National Animal Genetic Resource Center & Bata Bank.	
NGO	Non-Governmental Organizations	
NAEASRB	National Agricultural Extension and Advisory Services Regulatory Body.	
NAEP	National Agricultural Extension Policy.	
UFFAAS	Uganda Forum For Agricultural Advisory Services.	
USAID	United States Agency for International Development.	

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#### ABSTRACT

The Industrial Training exercise was held at Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries (MAAIF) for a period of 10 weeks, (28<sup>TH</sup> February to 6<sup>TH</sup> May 2022).

The Main Objective was to Acquire practical skills in the Field and to relate the Theoretical Knowledge gained in Class to the Field practical situations/ sessions.

This Industrial Training report contains the Description of Industrial Training, Background of Industrial Training, Objectives of the field study to increase the levels of basic education, Implementation strategy and improvement on my practical skills.

The report consists of Background, the structure of the organization and activities that were carried out while conducting industrial training at MAAIF. Major activities that I got involved in during the IT period include Making public statements, Making awareness materials (fact sheets, posters, brochures), Writing loose minutes of requesting funds, Demonstrations on how to assemble sticky traps, Drafting work plans and budgets, Data interpretation, Documentation of field data, Office work and Management, Mobilization and Sensitization of farmers, Nursery bed establishment.

During my attachment, I acquired knowledge and skills like; Discussing problems with community members (farmers)which improved on my communication skills, Monitoring and evaluation, Code of conduct while at work, Relationship with other staff members' administrative skills, Public sensitization, Record keeping and Analysis of records, writing loose minutes skills, FMNR, Agroforestry and Tree nursery Management etc.

In addition to the above, the report also has the challenges encountered while carrying out field work for example lack of facilitation to the field, Bad weather such as heavy rains which interrupted with the sensitization programs and travelling to the different venues which interfered field activities and how challenges were managed. It also includes the correlation of field work to classroom knowledge.

There is also conclusion where I emphasized on my important points in the report including strengths and weaknesses. The strength includes the skills I gained for example monitoring and evaluation, data collection and analysis, sensitization and mobilization skills.

The report also covers various Recommendations also included for MAAIF, Busitema University and the Students at large as ways forward in order to have better Trainings in the future.

Lastly, the report contains Appendices which shows various tables indicating important information, Photos taken during the training and References that can back up my report.

## CHAPTER ONE.

## 1.0. Background of the field attachment

Industrial Training is a Practical program offered by Busitema University as a way of exposing students to a working environment. At Busitema University Arapai Campus, this program is under taken by all students at the end of every academic year for a period of **Ten weeks** and I was attached to Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries in the Crop Protection Department for the internship practice.

## 1.1. Introduction of Field Attachment.

The Industrial Training report is developed from the information gathered through various activities and programs implemented with stakeholders and partners under MAAIF; Crop protection Department Entebbe (U). The IndustrialTraining was carried out from 28<sup>th</sup> February TO 6<sup>th</sup> May, 2022 In partial fulfilment of the requirements for the award of Diploma in Crop Production and Managementof Busitema University Arapai campus. The Industrial Training involved engagement in various activities with various stakeholders including farmers, staff and other people in their different capacities.

This report describes the activities encountered, skills and knowledge gained, challenges faced during the internship, conclusion of the report and recommendations derived from the challenges faced during the time of industrial training.

## 1.2. Objectives of the field attachment.

The objectives of Industrial Training are;

- ✓ To acquire skills for mature understanding of the Diploma in Crop Production and Management course and have what was lectured in class applied practically in the field.
- ✓ To put into practice the knowledge gained from the course unit like research and Agricultural Extension which gives research skills.
- ✓ To expose the student to real life working conditions
- $\checkmark$  To give the student an opportunity to interact with the stake holders and potential employers.
- To give the student an opportunity to apply the principles and techniques theoretically learnt into problem solving skills.
- ✓ To develop student knowledge of work ethics, employment demands, responsibility and opportunities.
- ✓ To build confidence in the students.

✓ This program is aimed at producing students who are able to meet the changing needs of the community. At the end of this internship program each student is expected to submit a report to Busitema University for evaluation.

## 1.3. Background of MAAIF.

The Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries (MAAIF) is a cabinet-level Ministry of the Government of Uganda. The mandate of the Ministry is to "formulate, review and implement national policies, plans, strategies, regulations and standards and enforce laws, regulations and standards along the value chain of crops, livestock and fisheries". The ministry is also responsible for the "enhancement of crop production and productivity, in a sustainable and environmentally safe manner, for improved food and nutrition security, employment, widened export base and improved incomes of the farmers".

## 1.4. MAAIF Leadership.

The Ministry is headed by a Cabinet Minister appointed by the President. Frank Tumwebaze is the Minister of Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries. He is charged to provide political leaderships.

## 1.5. Location.

The headquarters of MAAIF are Located at Berkely Lane in the city of Entebbe on the shores of Lake Victoria. The coordinates of the Ministry Headquarters are 0°03'27.0"N, 32°28'36.0"E (Latitude: 0.057500; Longitude: 32.476667). Plot 16-18 Lugard Avenue. P.O.BOX, 102.Entebbe (U).

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## **1.7. MAAIF Directorates.**

- ✓ Directorate of Animal Resource.
- ✓ Directorate of Crop Resource.
- ✓ Directorate of Fisheries Resource.
- ✓ Directorate of agricultural Extension Services.

## 1.8. MAAIF Agencies.

In the execution of its mandate, the Ministry collaborates closely with the following semi-autonomous

Government agencies:

- ✓ National Agricultural Advisory Services.
- ✓ National Agricultural Research Organization.
- ✓ National Animal Genetic Resource Center & Data Bank.
- ✓ Co-ordinating Office for Control of Trypanosomiasis in Uganda.
- ✓ Dairy Development Authority.

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- Uganda Coffee Development Authority
- ✓ Cotton Development Organization.

## 1.9. MAAIF Departments.

The Ministry is organized into the following Departments;

- ✓ Agricultural Planning
- Animal Production & Marketing
- Entomology
- ✓ Crop Production & Marketing
- Crop Inspection and Certification.
- Crop Protection
- ✓ Farm Development
- ✓ Finance & Administration
- ✓ Fisheries Resources and Development
- ✓ Fisheries Regulation Control and Quality Assurance
- ✓ Aquaculture Management and Development.
- ✓ Livestock Health & Entomology

## 1.10. Role of MAAIF. (Mandate and Functions)

It is the overseer of Agricultural sector.

It Formulates, reviews and implements National policies, plans, strategies, regulations and standards along

the value chain of crops, livestock and fisheries.

## 1.11. Aim of MAAIF.

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Enhancing crop production, improving food and nutrition, security, widening export base and improve income of the farmer.

## 1.12. Vision of MAAIF.

The Ministry is guided by the vision of being a competitive, profitable and sustainable Agricultural sector.

## 1.13. Mission of MAAIF.

Transforming Subsistence farming to Commercial Agriculture.

## 1.14. Objective of MAAIF.

To support sustainable, Market oriented Fish production, Management, Development, Control quality and Safety of Fisheries products for improved Food security and House hold income.

## 1.15. Directorate of Crop Resource.

Crop protection department (CPD) is allocated under the Directorate of Crop Resource and its **objective** is to Support market-oriented Crop production, Pest and disease control, Quality and safety of plants and plant products for improved Food security and House hold income.

The Departments under Crop Resource Directorate are;

## 1.15.0. Crop Inspection:

Is responsible for Phytosanitary Quarantine Services (PQS), National Seed Certification (NSC) and Agrochemical Control Division.

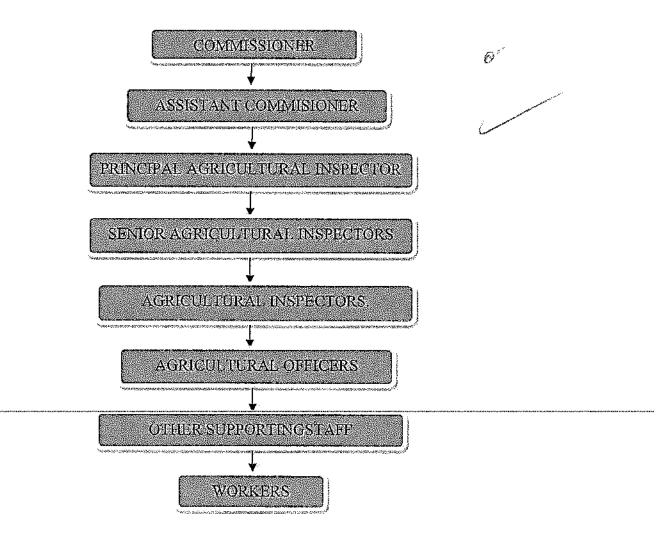
# 1.15.1. Crop Production: Is mandated to promote and guide;

- ✓ Sustainable Market oriented production.
- ✓ Value addition.
- ✓ Quality Assurance and Capacity building.
- $\checkmark$  Food and Nutrition security.

## 1.15.2. Crop Protection:

Is responsible for Sustainable Crop Pest and Disease control for improved Food security and House hold incomes in Uganda and is headed by **Mr. Byantwale Tibeijuka Stephen** who is the current Commissioner at the Department.

# 1.16. Organization Structure of Crop Protection Department, MAAIF.



#### CHAPTER TWO.

#### 2.0. Description of the attachment.

I was attached to the Department of Crop Protection during Industrial Training. I had an intervention with the Commissioner: Mr. Byantwale Tibeijuka Stephen who welcomed me to the Department and allocated me to the Assistant commissioner: Mrs. Tumuboine Ephrance who finally allocated me a Field Supervisor: Mr. Kutunga David (Principal Agricultural Inspector). This was followed by Orientation conducted by a staff Mr. Ogwang James Mark Okello who first introduced me to the Staff members and co-workers and later was showed me the different sections in the Department.

#### 2.0.1Task description

## 2.1. Office Management

Office management is the process of planning, organizing, staffing, directing and controlling the administrative functions of an office in order to achieve the objectives of the organization. It is the process of utilizing the office resources efficiently to obtain the best result with less effort and cost. It helps in receiving, recording and processing, supplying and retaining information. It is the branch of management which deals with performance of these functions.

#### 2.1.0. Elements of office management

- Personnel: An office provides wages, salaries to their employees. They also keep records of workers attendance, leave due, provident fund, and calculation of overtime. They also help to maintain the relationship between management and workers.
- ✓ Means: They are the tools which help to perform different activities efficiently. The means are material, methods, money and machines. They are vital for office works.
- Environment: Office should perform efficient and effective work for the good and effective management interior design, lighting, ventilation and cleanliness should be maintained. The location, government policy, customer should be managed. There must be proper working environment.
- ✓ Purpose: It helps to provide guideline and direction to office activities. It helps in planning, organizing, staffing, directing, controlling, staffing and other office work etc.

## 2.1.1. Importance of office management

✓ Achievement of goals: Office management helps in increases office efficiency, smooth flow of work, maintaining public relations, minimization of cost, managing change and accepting the new challenges which help in achievement of goals of the organization.

- ✓ Increases office efficiency: Office management focuses on office activities and helps office in an economic way.
- Smooth flow of work: Office management helps in performing efficient and effective office work. It helps in proper planning and effective control in office.
- ✓ Public relations: The main purpose of public relation is to make the organization look trust worthy to all people who deal with it in all its action. It helps in increasing the goodwill of the organization.

## 2.2. Agroforestry and FMNR

## 2.2.1. Advantages of Agro forestry

- ✓ Diversified benefits that is to say a farmer has income accruing from various sources and any loss in one area can be compensated by another enterprise
- ✓ Good air in that trees provide good air for the farmers and animals on his farm
- ✓ Increased soil fertility especially in practices like the protein banks and also from manure of the animals. ETC

## 2.2.2. Disadvantages of Agro forestry

- Poor species matching may lead to negative interactions e.g., Myule and crops and mangoes and other crops
- ✓ Trees may habit pests that affect the crops thereby affecting the farmer's returns
- To some extent, it requires a larger piece of land for a farmer to be organized.ETC

## 2.2.3. Application of FMNR model in Agro forestry:

FMNR stands for Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration. The two phrases in the definition are explained below;

- ✓ Natural Regeneration; Is the regeneration of trees from living tree stumps, tree roots and seeds in the fields, grazing lands and degraded forests to be re-vegetated. The emphasis is on natural regeneration rather than on tree planting with the use of tree seedlings raised in tree nurseries.
- ✓ Farmer Managed: The emphasis is on farmers or communities managing the regeneration rather than prescriptive and project directed regeneration. It is the farmers who decide what species to protect, when and how to prune, how to share the proceeds, what to do about infringements on agreed rules, the respective roles and benefits to women, men vulnerable groups etc.

## 2.2.4. Benefits of FMNR

Here we talked about the challenges that model helps to address like food security in that the farmer is assured of something even in the dry season, soil fertility improvement by the pruned material and leaves from trees, nutritional improvement in that a farmer has a variety of items growing on his farm including fruit trees, overcoming the cost of raising tree seedlings in that a farmer uses existing tree stumps on his farm. Most of these benefits are the same as those highlighted above on Agro forestry in general.

## 2.2.5. Species to consider for FMNR

- Tree species having the ability to re-sprout after cutting which is applicable to most of the indigenous tree species.
- The value local people place on the species for example is it timber production, firewood production, fruits/food, shade, animal feeds etc.

## 2.2.6. Dos and Don'ts in tree pruning

Simple rules of pruning were to be considered which included;

- > Always use sharp implements
- Always cut upwards carefully to avoid bruising and stripping of the bark
- Not to prune too high because stems may easily be broken by livestock or even strong winds.

## 2.3. Nursery Bed Establishment and Management:

## 2.3.1. Seed Bed;

We defined a seed bed as a place where seeds are sawn to raise seedlings which are then pricked and established in a nursery bed.

## 2.3.2. Nursery Bed;

A nursery bed was defined as a place where seedlings which are pricked or sawn directly are raised and managed before being transferred to the main field.

## 2.3.3. Factors to consider before selecting a site for Nursery:

- ✓ Accessibility
- Availability of water supply
- ✓ Gentle gradient or sloping land
- ✓ Soil texture and structure

 $\checkmark$  Security of the site etc.

## 2.3.4. How to care for seedlings in a nursery Bed:

These were the considerations for raising good seedlings in a Nursery;

- ✓ Ensure adequate watering of the seedlings
- $\checkmark$  Sufficient light penetration through the seedlings to enable good and strong growth
- ✓ Sufficient space for each seedling to get enough air supply
- Ensure the nursery is free from pests like termites and moles that may destroy the seedlings.

## 2.3.5. Crop management

This involved the Agronomic practices of the various types of crops specifically horticultural crops through kitchen gardening farming practices.

## 2.3.6. Tomato management

The different varieties include, money maker, Bonny Best, Marglobe, Rio Grande, Tengeru 97, Amateur Rodade, Heinz, New fortune maker F1, kilele F1.

## 2.3.7. Management practices

## 2.3.7.0. Land clearing

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- $\checkmark$  Open up land meant for setting the beds by digging.
- $\checkmark$  Make square raised beds by heaping up soil
- $\checkmark$  Gather dry grass and lay it on top of the beds, then light them up to burn.
- ✓ The burning is aimed at killing the soil pests/ disinfects the soil

## 2.3.7.1. Preparing the nursery bed

- $\checkmark$  Use a raised bed for nursery 60cm wide and 30cm high
- Protect the seed from high temperatures by mulching
- $\checkmark$  Seeds should be planted at a depth of 1-2 cm
- ✓ Seed emergency, 7-14 days
- $\checkmark$  Seedling ready for transplanting when they are 7-9cm in height and with 4-5 leaf stage

## 2.3.7.2. Planting

- $\checkmark$  At 3 to 4 weeks transplant the tomatoes to the main field
- ✓ Be sure to spray fungicide and pesticide as you transfer your seedlings
- ✓ Alternate planting system
- $\checkmark$  2 rows per bed, rows are separated 80cm by 60 cm between plants

## 2.3.7.3. Staking

- $\checkmark$  Is the provision of extra support to the plant to keep the fruit and foliage off the ground
- ✓ Staking can increase fruit yield and size, reduce fruit rot, and ease spraying and harvesting
- ✓ It is done two weeks after transplanting

## 2.3.7.4. Irrigation

- ✓ Insufficient water at any growth stage will reduce yield and fruit quality
- ✓ Tomato is most sensitive to water deficit during flowering, somewhat sensitive immediately after transplanting and during fruit development and least sensitive during vegetative growth.
- ✓ Wilting in the late morning indicates that the field should be irrigated

## 2.3.7.5. Harvest/ storage

- ✓ The perfect tomato for picking will be firm and very red in color, regardless of size, with perhaps some yellow remaining around the stem. A ripe tomato will be only slightly soft
- Never refrigerate fresh tomatoes. Doing so spoils the flavor and texture that make up that garden tomato taste.
- ✓ Never place tomatoes on a sunny window sill to ripen, they may rot before they are ripe

## 2.3.8. Tomato diseases

## 2.3.8.0. Early blight (Alternaria solani)

## Symptoms

There small black or brown spots on leaves and stems

## Control

- ✓ Plant residue should be removed from the field and destroyed after harvest
- ✓ Spray with Mancozeb (Dithane M-45)

## 2.3.8.1. Late blight (Phytophthora infestans)

## Symptoms

✓ It appears as small, water-soaked areas that rapidly enlarge to form purple-brown, oily appearing blotches

## Control

- ✓ Remove and destroy blighted tomato or potato plants
- ✓ Eliminate all tomato or potato cull piles in the vicinity of the tomato field
- ✓ Reduce leaf wetness by staking tomatoes and using drip irrigation
- Spray using Mancozeb (Dithane 45)
- ✓ Cultivation of resistant varieties

## 2.3.8.2. Fusarium wilt (Fusarium oxysporum fsp lycopersici)

## Symptoms

- $\checkmark$  It begins on outer leaf lets and drooping of leaf petioles
- ✓ Leaves become wilt, turn yellow and die. The entire plant may be killed before plant reaches maturity.

## Control

- ✓ Avoid intercropping with any Solanaceae family crop, rotate with cereals and grasses
- ✓ If possible, use clean equipment to avoid infesting new fields to prevent the introduction of infested soil into the production field through contaminated tools, hands, clothing or shoes of farm workers
- ✓ Spray using copper oxychloride
- 2.3.9. Tomato pests

## -2.3.9.0. Tomato-fruit-worm-

## Symptoms

- ✓ Larva colour is pale yellow to red, to green, to brown
- ✓ They prefer to feed on green fruits and usually do not enter ripe fruit
- ✓ Deep watery cavities frequently in the stem end of the fruit

## Control

- ✓ Remove and destroy affected plants at the end of the season
- ✓ Till the soil after harvest to destroy pupae
- ✓ Use insecticides

## 2.3.9.1. Cutworms, Agrotis sp

## Symptoms

✓ It gives damages to field in two stages, larva stages, when they feed on foliage and fruit

#### Control

✓ Use insecticides

## 2.3.9.2. Spider mites

## Symptoms

- ✓ Usually, spiders are on the lower surface of the leaf
- ✓ They insert their stylet mouth parts in the individual plant cells and withdrawing cellular contents

## Control

✓ Through spray coverage and timely follow up treatment

## 2.4. Mobilization

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To organize or prepare something, such as a group of people, for a purpose:

Community mobilization is a process through which action is stimulated by a community itself, or by others, that is planned, carried out, and evaluated by a community's individuals, groups, and organizations on a participatory and sustained basis to improve the health, hygiene and education levels so as to enhance the overall standard of living in the community

## 2.4.0. Benefits of mobilization ·

- $\checkmark$  Expands the base of community support for the organization  $\cdot$
- ✓ Brings new volunteers who otherwise might not get involved in your organization ·
- ✓ Deepens the analysis of transformation and provides an opportunity for the organization and individuals to evolve ETC

## 2.4.1. Sensitization.

Attempt to make one self or others aware of and responsive to certain ideas, events, situations, or phenomenon.

This was carried out on various occasions most especially among the youth to find out the factors hindering youth involvement in agriculture and the strategies government can employ to encourage youth get involved in agriculture projects.

## 2.5. Awareness Materials.

These are materials used to convey public health messaging in order to support the overarching behavior change strategy developed to respond to a public problem.

The awareness materials I got involved in making were;

- ✓ Posters
- ✓ Fact sheets
- ✓ Brochures
- ✓ Banners

## 2.5.0. Intentions of making the awareness materials.

- $\checkmark$  Getting message out to the public.
- ✓ Raising awareness about an event.



- ✓ Informing the public about a community issue and help communicate with the community members.
- ✓ Capture moving audience with a message and attract the reader's attention.

## 2.6. Rabbit Production.

Rabbits are also known as Bunnies. They are small mammals in the family Leporidae of order Lagomorphs. The activities done under rabbit production were;

- ✓ Cleaning the hatch
- ✓ Bathing the rabbits
- Treating the rabbits
- Feeding and watering them
- Sexing them (identifying the sex)

## 2.6.0. Importance of rearing Rabbits.

- ✓ For meat production. (Rabbit meat is known for delicate flavor and important source of proteins)
- $\checkmark$  For fur (Rabbit fur is of high quality having extensive application in textile industry).
- Rabbits are also reared as pets.

## 2.7. Departmental Meetings.

A meeting is where a group of people come together to discuss issues to improve communication, to promote coordination or to deal with any matters that are put on the agenda and to help get any jobs done.

## 2.7.0. Significance of conducting meetings.

- Keeps everyone informed.
- Problem solving.
- Promotes leadership
- Opportunity for performance feed back.
- Room for innovation
- ✓ Bonding and celebration.

## 2.8. Inspection

Means an on - site determination of relevant characteristics of the area involved in or affected by the proposed or permitted project.

## 2.8.0. Aims of carrying out Inspection.

- ✓ Helps management in making key decisions and control costs and protect the company.
- Prevents accidents and provides evidence of due diligence for liability protection.

## 2.9. Expositions and Exhibitions.

Expositions; They are also called trade fares; they can be small- or large-scale events in which business and companies in a specific niche come together to show case their services and products or promote new business developments.

Exhibition; In the most general sense, is an organized presentation and display of a selection of items.

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## 2.9.0. Importance of Expositions and Exhibitions.

- ✓ Provides room to survey the available opportunities and new market trends.
- Demonstrates the displays of significant events of goods and services offering research, and guidance of products in the markets.
- ✓ Have a transformative power in shaping perceptions of nations and cultures, increasing awareness of the host country and international participants by helping to shape and enhance a nation's image and reputation.
- ✓ It is a tool used to create awareness, enhances reputation as well as to sell products.
- Provide an excellent opportunity to access opinions from clients and determine market potentials, conduct research and evaluate competition, develop commercial structures by identifying new agents and distributors, and initiating joint ventures and project partnerships.

## 2.9.1. Importance of Expositions and Exhibitions to students.

- ✓ They are typically designed to encourage students think critically, solve challenging problems, and develop skills such as oral communications, public speaking, research, team work, planning, selfefficiency, goal setting or technological and online literacy.
- ✓ Exhibitions improve the creativity idea of a student and allow them to think beyond text books.
- ✓ They also enable them to get courage of face-to-face interactions.

## 2.10. Data Entry.

Is a type of clerical work that involves using various processes like typing and voice recording for entering and inputting data or information into a computer using devices such as key board, scanner, disk and voice to form other non-electronic forms of data for processing and management.

## 2.10.0. Significance of Data Entry

- Helps companies in reducing the cost of operations by reducing the infrastructure expenses,
- Ensures confidentiality, which is a plus point in company matters.
- $\checkmark$  Helps in keeping/storing accurate data and avoiding mistakes that people do.
- Data entry keeps relevant information related to the field work in one place and in correct order for reference. When all the data is in accurate sequence and order, it makes it easy to rearrange and duplicate data.

## 2.11. Project Concept Note.

Is a brief outline of the project you have in mind. A simple version of it will include an introduction, a background, proposed objectives and the goal, results and a budget overview.

- $\checkmark$  Is perhaps the shortest expression of your project idea given on paper to a Donor.
- ✓ Is a brief or an excerpt of your research paper that depicts your studies key features and explains the research project.

## 2.11.0. What should be the size?

This actually depends upon the donor requesting the concept note. However, we need to remember that it is the shortest possible text for our project idea. So, the shorter the better. Most donor agencies request a minimum of one page to a maximum of three pages. Ideally it should not be more than 2-3 pages unless the donor agency has specific requirements.

## 2.11.1. Purpose of writing a Concept Note.

- To help applicants develop more competitive proposals and to save time by eliminating proposals that are not likely to be funded.
- ✓ Convince the supervisor that the proposed research project is worth doing.

## 2.12. Ethical Code of Conduct for Agricultural Extension and Advisory Service Providers.

## 2.12.0. Definitions and interpretations of key terms.

✓ Ethical code of conduct.

Ethics refers to the accepted morals, values and principles of right conduct for a profession or area of service. This ethical code of conduct is a set of rules or behavior expected of an Agricultural Extension and Advisory Service (AEAS) provider in Uganda.

## ✓ Professionalism.

Professionalism is the art of provision of services as a professional. A professional is expected to have completed a relevant training to enable them provide specialized services, be engaged in continuing education/self-improvement, work in the interest of the public, be able to exercise prudent judgment, be licensed and regulated by the state and or professional body and accepted by the public as such.

## 2.12.1. Background of the Ethical Code of Conduct.

Access to the quality extension and advisory services is a critical ingredient to technology uptake by farmers and other stake holders. In order to ensure professionalism and quality services, the government expects all

extension and advisory service providers in the public and private sector to adhere to this code of ethics endorsed through an extensive multi-stake holder consultive process.

The objective of this code of ethics is to clarify core values, promote good practices and guide professional conduct of AEAS providers, for the benefit of society. Failure to uphold this code could lead to displinary action.

## 2.12.2. Why the Ethical Code?

Although Uganda has a generic code of conduct for the public service, there are ethical issues specific to the AEAS due to their unique attributes and current pluralistic nature involving multiple actors in the public service and other professionally accepted codes of ethics of relevant disciplines. The code will foster integrity, a good public image, confidence and trust in the AEAS.

## 2.12.3. Target users of the code.

The target users of the ethical code include individuals and organizations offering Agricultural Extension and Advisory Services (AEAS) to farmers and other actors in agricultural value chains in Uganda. The services include the training and other capacity development services, Business development services, Technology dissemination, and advice on crops, Agri-business, Livestock production, fisheries, forestry and related areas. Examples of targeted actors are local government agricultural extension staff, training and research institutions, professional bodies, associations, NGOS and other civil society organizations; the media (print and electronic); private extension providers, farmer trainees/ community-based facilitators.

## 2.12.4. Value under pinning professional conduct for AEAS providers.

The ethical code of conduct in AEAS is linked to the values upheld which are; integrity, respect, diversity and inclusion, collaboration and partnership, gender and cultural sensitivity, accountability and transparency, farmer centeredness, innovativeness, knowledge and skills for enhancement of human welfare. These values form the frame work for the code and are all of equal importance.

## 2.12.4.0. Integrity.

Integrity means consistently acting according to values and principles, and being personally accountable and responsible for own actions and omissions in practice.

## 2.12.4.1. Respect.

Respect means behaving towards peers and clients in a manner that values their worth, dignity and uniqueness.

## 2.12.4.2. Diversity and Inclusion.

Diversity refers to acceptance and respect for individual differences and uniqueness including values and beliefs, culture, ethnicity, language, ability, experiences and social economic status.

Inclusion refers to deliberate actions to appreciate, acknowledge and address individual differences.

## 2.12.4.3. Collaborations and Partnerships.

Collaboration means working with others to achieve results. Partnerships are deliberate actions to form alliances between two or more organizations or individuals.

## 2.12.4.4. Cultural and Gender sensitivity.

Culture refers to the beliefs and practices common to any particular group of people. It includes the understandings, patterns of behavior, practices and values shared by a group of people.

Gender refers to the culturally determined social attributes and opportunities associated with being male or female and the relationships between women and men and girls and boys.

Gender sensitivity refers to the ability to recognize and address the different problems and needs of men and women arising from their culturally determined role, and responsibilities, power relations and access to and control over resources.

## 2.12.4.5. Accountability and Transparency.

Accountability refers to being answerable for own decisions and actions. Transparency refers to openness, free sharing or communication without hidden agendas.

## 2.12.4.6. Farmer Centeredness.

Farmer centeredness refers to a situation where all actions or initiatives are focused to benefit the farmer.

## 2.12.4.7. Innovativeness, Knowledge and Skills for Enhancement of Human welfare.

Innovativeness refers to changing processes or creating more effective processes, products or ideas. Knowledge is defined as what is learned, understood or aware of. Skill refers to the ability and capacity acquired through experience and aptitude to carry out activities or job functions.

# 2.12.4.8. Professional Responsibility and Sustainability of Agricultural Extension and Advisory Services.

Professional responsibility implies to act in a trust worthy, reputable and accountable manner towards farmers, colleagues, partners, local authorities, and the community in which the services are provided. Sustainability of Agricultural Extension and Advisory Services refers to ensuring continuity of provision of agricultural services, and adopting an appropriate approach to resolving ethical dilemmas.

## 2.12.5. Rewards, Sanctions and Conflict resolution.

Rewards; An appropriate reward and recognition shall be accorded for good ethical conduct. The rewards shall include; but not limited to; word of recognition of good conduct, open appraise, letter of commendation, presents, certificate of merit, award of medals.

- Sanctions; Unethical conduct of the AEAS providers shall not be accepted. Violation of this code of conduct shall constitute professional misconduct leading to either a warning or withdrawal of certificate of practice. This will be done by the rewards and sanctions committee.
- ✓ Conflict resolution; Any dispute arising out of the violation of the code of conduct, which cannot be amicably settled or corrected by the concerned, shall be referred to adjudication/arbitration in accordance with the laws of Uganda.

#### 2.13. Plant Wise Diagnostic Field Guide.

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#### 12.13.0. Field diagnosis. (A process of elimination).

The process of diagnosing a plant health problem without any specialized laboratory equipment is called field diagnosis. This is the situation at a plant clinic and when making a farm visit.

Field diagnosis involves careful observation of the symptoms on a plant and linking those symptoms with possible causes. While some plant health problems are relatively easy to diagnose, others can be very difficult for a number of reasons. For instance, there may be multiple factors that cause similar symptoms and as a result it will often not be possible to make a highly specific field diagnosis, such as giving the name of a nutrient that is deficient or the pest species causing the problem.

The first step in narrowing down the cause of a plant health problem is to determine if the symptoms are caused by a living organism (biotic) or by a non-living factor (abiotic). Once the cause of the crop problem has been narrowed down to either biotic or abiotic factor, it will usually be possible to take the diagnosis to the next level of detail. For biotic causes this would mean identifying the pest group (virus, weed, mite, etc.) and for a biotic cause, this would mean determining whether the problem is associated with water, nutrients, temperature or some other environmental factor.

Remember to ALWAYS eliminate all the alternative causes before pronouncing your final diagnosis. Don't be in too much of a hurry. It is better to tell a farmer that you are unfamiliar with the problem presented than to make a complete guess at the diagnosis (although be sure to tell them as much as you do know e.g., what is **NOT** causing the problem).

#### 2.14. Field Visits.

Extension workers often have a limited amount of information available to them, especially if a farmer brought the plant sample to the extensionist. They may have collected the wrong part of the plant or the sample may have deteriorated in transit. It may be necessary to visit the field to see fresh symptoms and to gain other information on the pest. If you intend to send a sample to a colleague or a forms diagnostic support service, it is usually a good idea to visit the field yourself and to select a fresh sample of your own.

The following is a summary of what to do when visiting a field to observe the symptoms in the context of the entire crop. (All of the information gathered would be of interest to a diagnostic support service if a sample were to be sent.

## 2.14.0. Step 1. Get in close.

- ✓ What parts are affected?
- $\checkmark$  Describe symptoms using the correct terminology.
- ✓ Observe changes in shape, color and growth.
- ✓ Look for visible signs of insects, fungi or other pests.

## 2.14.1. Step 2. Look at the whole plant. (Including roots)

- ✓ Where are the symptoms within the plant?
- ✓ Which growth stages are affected?
- ✓ How do the symptoms progress from early to late stages?
- ✓ How severe is the attack?

## 2.14.2. Step 3. Examine groups of plants.

- ✓ Incidence: how many plants are affected?
- ✓ Distribution: random, edge of the plot only, in patches, pattern caused by use of machinery?
- ✓ Remember: consider plant variety, age and how it is grown.

# 2.14.3, Step4. Speak to farmers and other local extension workers. (

- ✓ When did the problem appear? Is this the first time?
- ✓ Record local name for the problem.
- ✓ Consider soil type and climate (patterns)
- ✓ Obtain information on the varieties used, recent history of chemical inputs used, etc.

## 2.15. Making Recommendations

## 2.15.0. Big 5 key considerations when making a recommendation.

Once a pest, disease or some other limitation to plant growth and productivity has been diagnosed, various options for control are open to extension workers. Each of these options (including doing nothing) will have consequences, implications and costs for the farmer. When making recommendation to intervene (or not), the following 'big 5' features of the advice should be considered.

When making a recommendation, advisors have to ask themselves if the advice they are providing has all of the following characteristics. If the guidance does not meet all of these criteria, the advice is either

of no use to the farmer or is poor advice. A recommendation must be, Economic, Effective, Safe, Practical and Locally available.

#### 2.15.1. Economic.

Generally, the control measures that you recommend to farmers must pay for themselves the increase in yield and /or quality is worth more than the labor and input you suggest. It is important to remember, and to remind farmers, that the presence of a pest does not necessarily require pest management action. Farmers should monitor their problems closely and only invest money and labor when the pest poses significant threat to crop quality or yield.

#### 2.15.2. Effective.

Any recommendations made to farmers must be effective, extension workers should only make recommendations that have either been scientifically validated, for example by national agricultural research stations, or that are based on commercially available products which have gone through all necessary registration and testing, or that are based on locally tried and tested farmer practices that have stood the test of time and that extension workers have witnessed and seen beneficial results for themselves.

#### 2.15.3. Safe.

Many crop protection products can be poisonous to humans and safety is an important concern. Farmers often take risks with pesticides. Extension staff should discourage unsafe practices and encourage farmers to wear appropriate, clean and relevant protection (and not then change their behavior and take greater risks because they are wearing it).

There are two kinds of poisoning: Acute and Chronotic. Acute poisoningoccurs when an individual is exposed to large single dose of pesticide, such as if a child were to drink some concentrate. You may see immediate and drastic symptoms, or it may take up to 24 hrs for the symptoms to appear. The kind of symptoms associated with organophosphate pesticide poisoning is provided in table 1. Below. If pesticides have been swallowed, wash the victims' mouth with lots of water. The pesticide label should tell you whether or not the victim should drink water to dilute the chemicals, so read the label carefully. Always seek medical advice.

Table 1. Showing symptoms associated with acute organophosphate poisoning (including chlorpyriphos, Malathion and Dimethoate).

Point of exposure	Symptoms
Inhalation	<ul> <li>Chest tightness and wheezing</li> </ul>
	✓ Coughing

	<ul> <li>Frothy sputum (foaming at the mouth)</li> </ul>
Skin	✓ Localized sweating
	<ul> <li>Muscle twitching</li> </ul>
Ingestion	✓ Increased salivation
	<ul> <li>Nausea and vomiting</li> </ul>
	✓ Diarrhea (often watery)
	<ul> <li>Cramping abdominal pains</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Involuntary defection</li> </ul>
Eyes	Constricted pupils
ала жал ажала аламаты ала аламата бал ажала такка такжа алам таккала жала такжаткан каккажа калана жала аламат	Pain
	✓ Excess tears
	✓ Blurred vision

**Chronotic poisoning** is the result of repeated exposure to the harmful chemicals at low levels over a long period of time, often due to absorption through the skin, inhalation of spray or dust as well as contamination of the mouth. This is most common among farmers who use pesticides regularly. Symptoms can include nervousness, slowed reflexes, irritability, and an overall decrease in health as well as arthritis.

## 2.15.4. Practical.

The practicality of the recommendation should be considered when providing advice. There are plenty of effective and safe methods of control which are entirely impractical for many farmers. This may be because they are too time consuming or require use of specialist equipment. For example, hand picking caterpillars from a field of kale could be effective but would be totally impractical except for a very small area.

## 2.15.5. Locally available.

If a product is not available to the farmers, then there is little point in making the recommendation. This may involve equipment as well as fertilize, seed and biological control agents as well as pesticides.

## 2.16. Integrated Pest Management (IPM)

Plant doctors are trained to offer sustainable plant health management advice to farmers following the principles of IPM. IPM involves the use of cultural, biological and mechanical methods, alongside targeted interventions with fertilizers and pesticides when justified defines IPM as the careful consideration of all available pest control techniques and subsequent integration of appropriate measures that discourage the

development of pest populations and keep pesticides and other interventions to levels that are economically justified and reduce or minimize risks to human health and the environment.

## 2.16.0. Pesticide Resistance Management.

When pesticides with the same mode of action are used repeatedly against a pest, the pest population may begin to develop resistance. This happens because some of the individual pest organisms may be able to tolerate the pesticide more than others. The more tolerant individuals will be more likely to survive and reproduce. The next generation will therefore consist of a higher proportion of tolerant (or fully resistant) pest individuals, making the pesticides less effective.

Pesticide resistance management is an effort to slow down or prevent the development of resistance, there by prolonging the effective life of pesticides. Therefore, rotating fungicides used will help to prevent the buildup of resistant strains.

#### 2.16.1. Alternative pesticides and home remedies.

In addition to the synthetically produced pesticides, there are naturally produced chemicals, usually extracted from plant tissue. Some common examples of so-called 'botanical insecticides' or 'botanicals' include extracts of neem (which is now widely used and sold in commercial forms), chili and garlic. Commercially available botanicals must be nationally registered for use as a pesticide in order to be included in pest management recommendations. However, these products are often locally produced by the farmers themselves. The quality and effectiveness can be highly variable due to the different methods of production and the unpredictable concentrations of the active ingredients in the plant material used. Hence, the correct dosage is difficult to establish.

Other ingredients, such as soap (applied as soapy water) or wood ash are used for pest management as they are cheap and readily available. Some can be effective, but some are not. However, some of these materials can also be toxic to the plants, so these factors should be considered before recommending their use.

#### 2.17. Invasive Alien Species

## 🗸 An alien plant.

Is an exotic, non-native, non-indigenous or foreign plant species that has been introduced by people, either intentionally or un intentionally, outside its natural range and outside of its natural dispersal potential.

## ✓ An invasive alien plant.

Is a species of plant that is both alien, as described above, and destructive to the environment in which it grows. As such, invasive plants can have negative impacts on biodiversity and or livelihoods.

## ✓ A naturalized plant.

Is an alien plant that has established self- perpetuating populations without any human intervention, but which is not yet considered to be invasive, in terms of being either wide-spread and or abundant or destructive in the areas where it is found.

✓ A weed.

Is a plant that is out of place and which has not been sown intentionally, or it is a plant growing where it is not wanted. Weeds have a negative impact on crop or pasture production, human or animal health, or other aspects of economic activity and development, and may be either native or introduced.

#### 2.17.1. Management of invasive alien plants.

In order to be effective, all invasive alien plant management strategies need to consider activities related to;

- ✓ Prevention
- ✓ Early detection and rapid response (EDRR)
- ✓ And control.

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## CHAPTER THREE.

## 3.0. Impact Of The Attachment

## 3.1. Social conditions and Work climate.

MAAIF is in very good location i.e. easily accessible by people and it also provides a very good working environment. The workers in the various sections at Ministry are very approachable and are always ready to guide students when need arises. The tight security, fine climate, practical learning experience and care make MAAIF an ideal place for any BUAC student to do industrial training. The climate was also quite favorable though there was some harsh condition which affected implementation of the activities planned.

#### 3.2. Mentoring condition.

It is dictated by the experience I gained during the time of internship. In fact, it was good as I engaged myself fully in the activities.

## 3.3. Skills and Qualifications gained during the internship period.

Though the time spent at MAAIF was relatively short, during the industrial training I was able to gain a lot from it. A number of practical skills and Qualifications were achieved thus mentoring was done in various areas thus imparting several professional skills to my life as shown below:

- ✓ Skills in building interpersonal relationship with the staff at the offices and other people at the sub county, as well as the farmers, making awareness material i.e. posters, fact sheets, brochure etc.
- Communication skills and confidence in training farmers on animal and crop management, practical skills and knowledge especially in writing official letters requesting for support.
- ✓ I also acquired skills in vaccinating and treating rabbits using the different types of drugs and also mobilization skills relevant in sensitization programs.
- ✓ I learnt how to respond to technical questions of the community and farmers and acquired office management skills relevant in the day to day running of the office.
- ✓ I learnt how to transplant and the management practices of straw berries and also acquired knowledge about how to develop activity memos for implementation.
- ✓ I was able to acquire new knowledge and experience in using different sector equipment's like computers, printers, and photocopiers which are in the organization and found out how to prepare work plans and budgets for extension field trainings.
- ✓ I discovered how to document Field data and unearthed how to draft loose minutes for requesting funds.

## 3.4. Experiences unearthed from the internship placement.

- I learnt that team work is very important at work places and that for effective work to be done there is need for good planning, full cooperation and team work especially during activities like mobilization of farmers.
- ✓ I also learnt how to deal with different categories of people differently regardless of their ages, education background, and economic status interacting with potential employers.
- ✓ I was able to learn, acquire new knowledge and experience in using different sector equipment's like, computers, printers, and photocopier which are in the organization and that consultations in work places are very important before making or implementing any form of action.
- I learnt that professionalism is an important aspect of life especially at work and that time management is very important at work places and in daily life.

## 3.5. Challenges faced by the student during the field work.

Several challenges were faced during this industrial training period among which were seen and recorded. This hindered the smooth running of the activities in one way or the other. The challenges included:

- I lacked financial support from the Organization since they were not offering any allowances to intern students.
- ✓ I also faced a challenge in writing this report which needed money for typesetting, printing and binding since the little I had got used up in facilitating myself while in the field.
- ✓ Facilitation in the field was also another challenge that I faced since the organization doesn't cater for the internees' accommodations and feeding thus affected my welfare as I had to spend the little I have for facilitating myself.
- ✓ I had a challenge of accessing information on MAAIF since I was referred to the internet for the relevant Data; something that made compiling of the report a bit difficult since the Area office didn't have such information.

## 3.6. How the challenges were managed.

- $\checkmark$  I also saved some money for my welfare of which helped me compile and make the report.
- ✓ I adjusted and appreciated the department working programs and working culture, by closely working along with the experienced staff such as staff CPD; MAAIF who were able to provide me with relevant literature about MAAIF.

## 3.7. Other Exertions conducted during the training.

- Attended a workshop intended to teach/ focus on how to make recommendations after diagnosing a pest/ disease.
- ✓ Reflected on knowledge of biology of pests.
- ✓ Held seminar on the Ethical code of conduct for Agricultural Extension and Advisory Service providers.
- ✓ Attended training on Integrated Pest Management.
- ✓ Drafted a letter by the Mon. Minister of Agriculture informing the Desert Locust Control Organisation for East Africa (DLCO-EA) requesting for support in control operations of the African Armyworm (*Frugiperda exempta*). The letter was addressed to the Executive Director of the Organisation.
- ✓ Wrote a public statement from MAAIF on the outbreak of Ape fly in Uganda.ETC

## 3.8. Influence of the attachment activities on future carrier plans

The training gave a lot of motivation and several skills to continue focusing on my career, and I am endowed that the skills and knowledge acquired will help me to exhibit the highest level of competence. These will surely prepare me for future opportunities because they are the same practices done in other farms all over the country.

## 3.9. Correlation of attachment activities with classroom knowledge

It is with no doubt that there was a positive correlation between the classroom knowledge imparted by lecturers with the activities that were done during industrial training at MAAIF. The activities tested how best one could recall and apply knowledge and skill acquired from the classroom in most course modules like; Extension Education, Weeds and Invasive Alien species, Crop protection, Life skills among others. They made the classroom knowledge more complete, backed up by the relevant practical aspects of livestock, crop husbandry and life skills that were all covered.

#### CHAPTER FOUR.

### 4.0. Conclusion

Industrial training as a program is a very important activity that all students in institutions of higher learning must undergo because it prepares them to face the working world after university/graduation.

Generally, the internship was a success despite the fact that it had a few challenges. The activities that are being carried out by the MAAIF Crop Protection Department enabled me to participate in addressing the aspects of agricultural management practices through the knowledge employed when handling the different tasks during the field work especially when it came to carrying out Demonstrations as there was chance for me to have hands on at every sensitization program and During the program, I managed to learn many things and acquired a multitude of skills in the little time I was there. I know I will never regret having gone to MAAIF for my industrial training.

The internship was carried out successfully and I was able to gain a lot from it. I was in position of getting practical skills and knowledge in line with my career and relating with people in the field. The technical advice that I provided addressed farmers' problems and needs. Much as all were successful, there were also some little challenges which hindered the smooth running of the activities.

In conclusion therefore the department's activities and tasks that I got involved in during internship were real and applied to the daily life of farmers.

### 4.1. Recommendations. (TO: MAAIF, University and students)

MAAIF should allocate more funds to the facilitation of intern students in terms of allowances and catering for students during field works to enable them get exposed not only to office works but also to the field.

In order for the internship to run on smoothly, the University (BUAC) should establish good relationship with MAAIF organization to which its students get attached, under the various departments it holds for Industrial Training programs.

Students should take this program seriously and ensure that they accomplish all the assignments given to them by the field supervisors so as to get exposed to the working environment that the University grooms them for after study.

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### APPENDICES.

# Appendix 1. (TABLES)

# Table 2. Indicating Field Diagnosis and Recommendation over view

DIAGN	IOSIS	RECO	MMENDATION.
1	Carefully examine the specimen and gather as much information as you can from the farmer.	~	Remember the big 5 features of a recommendation for managing a plant health problem.
1	Cut the specimen open (where appropriate) and look for internal symptoms, use a hand lens when appropriate.	1	Asses the severity of the problem and use your experience to judge whether management is required. This is probable the most difficult aspect of making a recommendation.
······································	Are the symptoms symmetrical on the plant? Is it localized? Does the whole plant appear to be suffering?	······	Ensure that pest management advice is based on IPM principles, using multiple effective methods and minimizing risks from pesticide use.
~	Consider whether you have enough information or if a field visit is required.	Ý	Make sure you provide advice on how the problem can be prevented or delayed next season.
Ŷ	Compare the symptoms with photos in this diagnostic field guide and others you may have available: use your own experience.	×	Encourage farmers to alternate between different active ingredients as resistance in insects and fungi is a big problem. Remember to avoid recommending pesticides that appear in the
¢.	Consider that the plant may be suffering from two or more problems (although some may be of little consequence).	Ţ,	Plant wise Pesticide red list. Make sure that you get feedback from the farmers so that you will learn from their crop management experience and share
~	Do not guess but provide the farmer with as much information as you can as to the cause of the problem.		that experience with your colleagues.

Table 3. Showing Examples of different control methods.

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Cultural control	Physical control	Chemical control
✓ Grazing	Manual and mechanical	✓ Wetters
✓ Flooding	✓ Uprooting	✓ Stickers
🗸 Fire.	✓ Hand pulling	✓ Penetrants
	✓ Slashing or felling	✓ Carriers
	<ul> <li>Ring barking</li> </ul>	✓ Anti-form agents
	🖌 Strip barking.	✓ Anti-evaporants

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#### Table 4. Indicates the Advantages and Disadvantages of Foliar applications and stem applications of herbicides.

	Advantages	Disadvantages
Foliar	✓ Easy to apply	✓ Cost of spray equipment.
applications	$\checkmark$ Large areas can be sprayed in a relatively	<ul> <li>Inconsistent or inadequate application rates.</li> </ul>
	short period of time.	✓ Can be undertaken only during growing season o
	$\checkmark$ Small areas, or even individual plants, can be	plants.
	targeted.	✓ Cannot be applied in windy areas.
	✓ Minimal soil disturbance	✓ Potential spray drift may result in off-targe
	✓ Relatively cheap	damage.
	✓ Not labor intensive.	✓ Large quantities of clean water are required at
		spray site.
Stem	✓ Most procedures are simple and require little	✓ The need for some training, in case of certai
applications.	preparation or training.	procedures.
	✓ The ability to kill large standing trees in	✓ Diesel, used as a carrier, can be expensive and i
	locations where felling might damage native	usually more toxic to people than the herbicid
	vegetation.	itself.
	✓ Minimal disturbance is caused to surrounding	✓ Dense infestations may require large quantities of
	vegetation	diesel, which may contaminate soil and water.
	✓ It is less labor intensive	✓ The woody biomass within large tress cannot be
	✓ It is target specific	utilized to offset control costs.
	✓ Can be applied at any time of the year.	✓ Frill and stem injection techniques can be slow.

### **Biology of Pest.**

Knowledge on biology of the pest enables us to consider the options we have in our attempts to control it. The following tables provide very general advice as to the biology of various pests.

The way in which the pest survives in the absence of a susceptible crop plant has great implications in the control of pests.

### Table 5. Indicates the means by which various pests survive in absence of crop plants

Pest	Resting stage	Notes
Fungi	Yes (spores)	Fungi often produce two types of spores: one for survival during dormant periods and one for rapid spread under favorable conditions. Necrotrophic fungi and bacteria can survive and continue to grow o crop debris (the biotrophic fungi such as rusts, Powderly mildews and smuts cannot do this).
Water moulds	Yes (spores)	As above, biotrophic water moulds include downy mildews. Necrotrophic ones include <i>Phytophthor</i> spp.
Bacteria	No	Plant pathogenic bacteria do not produce spores. They survive in crop debris or in the soil.
Nematodes	Yes (cysts, eggs)	Adult nematodes cannot survive for long outside the host but cysts and eggs can survive desiccation for many years.
Insects	Yes	There is no dormant stage equivalent to a seed, but most insect species have stages (usually egg or pupa that will survive for months of adverse conditions without feeding.
Mites	Yes	Some mites can pass periods of adverse conditions without food as eggs or adults. This is particular

		true in temperate regions, but also occurs during the dry season.
Viruses	No	Plant viruses generally cannot survive outside the host plant or vector (i.e. The insect which transmits the virus). They survive in volunteer crop plants, or alternative host plants including some weeds when there is no crop available. The main exception is tobacco mosaic virus, which can remain infective outside a host for years.
Phytoplasmas	No	As for viruses with no known exceptions.
Weeds	Yes (seeds)	Seeds of weeds can lie dormant for many years and can be transferred to new areas as a contaminant of crop seeds.
Parasitic	Yes	As for weeds.
plants	(seeds)	
Mammals		Can survive for days or weeks without food and will often change food source to what is available.
Birds		Highly mobile and can generally find food.

The features of pest transmission (how it moves around) will affect the control options available. Movement of irrigation water, soil and seed as well as vector behavior all influence pest transmission. Some insects are weak fliers but can be carried great distances by the wind. Mites cannot fly but are carried by wind on the fine strands of silk that they spin. Some fungal spores blow in from hundreds of miles around, even from other continents.

Pest	Wind	Water	Soil	Vector	Independent	Mechanical (Tools)	Vegetative planting material	Seed.
Fungi	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Water moulds	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	(No)	(no)
Bacteria	(yes)	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Nematodes	( <u>N</u> o)	Yes	Yes	(no)	(yes)	No	(yes)	(no)
Insects	Yes	No	Yes	-	Yes		Yes	No
Mites	Yes	NO	No	-	(Yes)	No	Yes	No
Viruses	No	No	No	Yes	No	(Yes)	Yes	(yes)
Phytoplasmas	No	No	No	Yes	Nő	No	Yes	No
Parasitic plants	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No		No	(Yes)
Weeds	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	-	-	(yes)
Mammals	No	No	No	No	Yes	-	-	-
Birds	No	No	No	<u>Nø</u>	ves		11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-	

Table 6. Shows means by which pests can be moved from one plant or area to another.

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Bracketed responses indicate that the statement is generally true but with a small number of important exceptions. For cases wher there is no response possible, a '- 'is shown.

Note that the table indicates whether any species within a pest group can be transmitted by means mentioned. It is very rare that all the species within a pest group can spread from plant to plant through the same process. For example, several species of fungi ar transmitted through seed but most are not transmitted in this matter.

### Table.7. Showing some pests, the damages they cause and their control.

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No	Pest	Damages caused	Control strategies.
1	African Armyworm	<ul> <li>Feeds on leaves creating a windowing effect and moist-like frass with in the whorl and the upper leaves.</li> <li>Kills the growing point early in the season preventing any cobs from forming. In young plants, the stem may be cut.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>✓ Cultural practices</li> <li>✓ Natural enemies</li> <li>✓ IPM and Resistance.</li> </ul>
2	Fall Armyworm	<ul> <li>Fall army worm larvae can attack maize at all growth stages.</li> <li>Larvae can defoliate and/or sever seedling maize plants at the base, producing damage similar to that caused by cut worms.</li> </ul>	(20-50 ml per 20 liters of water) or Thiameth – exam 141 g/l + lambda- cyhalothrin 106 g/l at rate of 10-20 ml
3	Papaya mealy bugs	<ul> <li>Stunted growth, deformation and death of the plant.</li> <li>Yellowing of crops, curling and carly drop leaves.</li> <li>Can lead to death of the whole crop.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Spot application of pesticides.</li> <li>Sanitizing of equipment before use.</li> <li>Pruning of infested branches</li> </ul>
4	Potato Cyst Nematode	<ul> <li>Reduced root system, stunted growth</li> <li>Yellowing of leaves and plants may wilt.</li> </ul>	seen.
5	Snails and slugs	<ul> <li>Create irregular holes with smooth edges on the leaves and flowers by scraping with their rasp-like tongues.</li> <li>The take bites on vegetables and fruits causing un sighty crops.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Biological control</li> <li>Chemical control.</li> <li>Use of baits.</li> </ul>

Table 8. Showing some diseases, their symptoms and management.

No	Disease	Symptoms	Management
1	Citrus Greening Virus Disease	<ul> <li>Visible psyllids or waxy psyllid droppings.</li> <li>Fruits remain green even when they ripen.</li> <li>Asymmetrical blotchy mottling of leaves.</li> <li>Yellow shoots and dieback.</li> <li>Stunted, sparsely foliated trees that may bloom off</li> </ul>	infected. by avoiding movement o plants and plant materials from areas under regulatory quarantin or where the insect or disease i present.
2	Banana Bunchy Top Virus Disease.	season. ✓ Stunted growth. ✓ Have rosette like or bunchy and chocked appearance	<ul> <li>Rouging</li> <li>Avoid carrying plants carryin aphids to healthy fields.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Narrow leaves with yellow margins</li> <li>Small deformed fruits or no fruits at all.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Use of clean banana plantin materials.</li> </ul>
3	Banana Bacterial Wilt	<ul> <li>Cream to pale yellow bacterial ooze appears soon after the pseudo stem is cut.</li> <li>A shriveled male bud and un even ripening of the factor.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Burying or burning infecter</li> <li>residues</li> <li>Sterilization of farm tools</li> </ul>
		fruit are typical symptoms The fruits rot and stay on the stalk.	
.4	Casava Brown Streak.	<ul> <li>Severe chlorosis and necrosis on infected leaves giving them a yellowish, mottled appearance.</li> </ul>	destroying all cassava plants which
		<ul> <li>Chlorosis may be associated with the veins, spanning from the mid vein secondary and tertiary veins or rather in blotches unconnected to veins.</li> </ul>	

WEEK AND DATE	ACTIVITI	ACTIVITIES EXECUTED	OBJECTIVES	RESOURCES	RESPONSIBLE PERSON(S)	REMARKS.
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From 28th	< Pa	Paid courtesy call to	into the department.	< Computer	<ul> <li>Mr. Kutunga David</li> </ul>	
4 <sup>th</sup> March	5 ∑ `	commissioner. Underwent induction.	<ul> <li>To undergo Unentation.</li> <li>To commence internship.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Laptops</li> <li>Textbooks</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Munguryek</li> </ul>	
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		Discussion with supervisor	pests (papaya mealybug		5, 1 2 <i>0</i> -	
		Designing of Work plan.	and Alrican ape fly)			
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		diagnostic field guide.				
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	ass	assemble sticky traps for			<ul> <li>Munguryek</li> </ul>	
From 7th TO		control of fall army worm.	<ul> <li>To provide students with</li> </ul>	< Computers.	Deborah	
11 <sup>th</sup> March	N N	Drafting a poster on	an opportunity to learn by	Note books	1.0 <sup>41</sup> 000 <sup>1</sup> 0	
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	To	Top Virus Disease in northern				

Table 9. Showing the Work plan for the Activities Consummated during Industrial Training at Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries

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<ul> <li>Data interpretation on seviriosity and incidence of fall army worm in eastern region.</li> <li>Field data entry and documentation.</li> <li>Writing a project concept note on management of Papaya.</li> <li>Mealy Bug in Uganda.</li> <li>Agricultural money harvest exposition at Kololo.</li> </ul>	To help researchers to categorize, manipulate,	< Computers.	/ Mr. Kutunga David.	With a family
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and invasive plants of east	some of the alien species	plant species.	<ul> <li>Other Crop</li> </ul>	
Africa.	that are invasive,		Protection	
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		Executive Director of the	<ul> <li>To he able to learn how to</li> </ul>				
		Organization.					
	5	Drafting a poster by the	provide messages intended				
		Ministry of Agriculture	to promote brand				
		(MAAIF) on African Army	awareness.				
		worm management.	<ul> <li>To offer open environment</li> </ul>				
	`>	Departmental meeting.	for discussions.				
	>	Inspection of orchards for	<ul> <li>To listen to farmers</li> </ul>			1 <sup>-</sup> 111-1	
		incidence of mango mealvbugs.	concerns.				
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	>	Staking and training of	for staking tomatoes.	Strawberry	srry.	A	
		tomatoes with locally available	C To Realize the importance	plants.	•		
		materials,	of irrigation in output.	< Mulch			
	>	Irrigation of vegetable gardens.	< To become aware of				
	>	Transplanting and mulching of	damages caused by not				
		strawberries.	mulching strawberries				
			being a perishable fruit.				
Week 7	>	Teaching farmers on benefits of	✓ To make farmers aware of	< Aloevera	la Ia	<ul> <li>Mr. Ogwang James</li> </ul>	Accomplished
-	,	Aloevera.	benefits	plants.		< Mr. Gidudu	successfully.
From 11 <sup>th</sup>	>	Field visit for inspection of	<ul> <li>To clear confusion for</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Different pest</li> </ul>	nt pest	Kenneth	
TO 15 <sup>th</sup>		reported African army worth in	farmers in identifying	species		Munguryek	
April 2022		Kakiri, Wakiso district at	different pests and	(African		Deborah	
		UMOJA farm.	diseases.	Armyw	Armyworm and	Farmers.	
	>	Writing and submitting of the	<ul> <li>To learn how to describe</li> </ul>	Fall			
		report for the field visit to	facts that occurred in the	Armyworm)	orm)		
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Week 8	>	Easter Monday.	<ul> <li>To acquire knowledge</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Note books</li> </ul>	voks	🖌 Mir Kutunga David 🗌	Were successfully done

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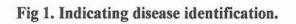




Fig 2. Indicating sexing of Rabbits.



Fig 3. Indicating a Departmental Meeting.Fig 4. Indicating inspection of maize gardens for

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Fig 5. Indicating irrigation of vegetable gardens.

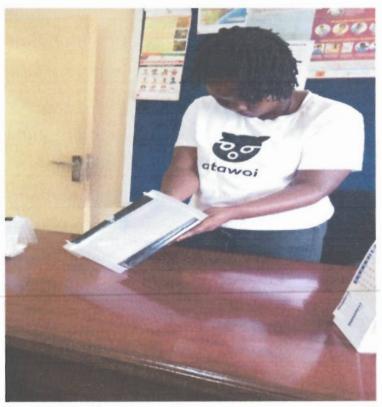


Fig 6. Indicating demonstration of how to set up traps



Fig 7. Indicating Transplanting of straw berries.

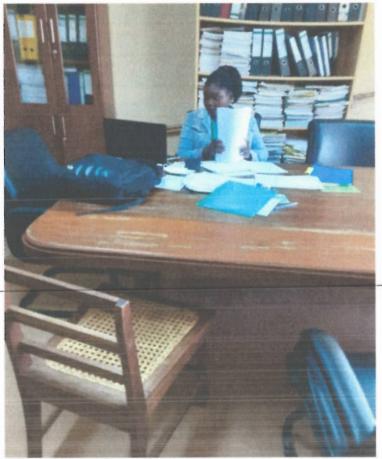


Fig 8. Indicating Office work and Management.



Fig 9. Indicating Sensitization on Aloevera plants. Fig 10. Indicating mulching of tomato plants.



## MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE ANIMAL INDUSTRY AND FISHERIES

# Biology, Damage and Management of Snails and slugs.

Identification and Biology.

Snails and slugs are among the most destructive pests found in gardens and land scapes.

Both are members of mollusk phylum and are similar in structure and biology except that slugs lack the snail's spiral shell.

All land slugs and snails are hermaphrodites, so they are able to lay eggs after mating with another individual.

Slugs reach maturity after about 3 to 6 months, depending on the species. They are most active at night and on cloudy or foggy days. On sunny days, they seek for hiding places.

#### Damage.

They feed on a variety pf lining plants and on decaying plant matter. They create irregular holes with smooth edges on the leaves and flowers by scrapping with their rasp-like tongues.

They are primarily pests of seeds, seedlings, underground tubers, leaves, fruit and herbaceous plants. Damage to seedlings often results in the death of the plant.

They eat any kind of foliage, but you will often find them doing the most damage to tender leaves and stems of seedlings.

They also take bites on vegetables and fruits( particularly soft fruits like straw berries), causing unsighty crops.

#### Management.

- A good snail management programs relies on a combination of methods. The first step is to eliminate as much as possible in all places where they can hide during the day.
- Cultural control by; planting susceptible and resistant plants, hand picking, traps, barriers.
- Biological control. They have many natural enemies including ground beetles, rats, pathogens, snakes, toads, turtles, and both domestic and wild birds.
- Chemical control.
- Placement of baits.

NB: when using a pesticide, always wear protective clothing and follow instructions on the product label, such as dosage, timing of application, and pre-harvest interval. For more information please contact the department of crop protection. P.O.BOX 1P2. Entebbe, Tel:0414320115/0414320801. Email.ccp/a agriculture.go.ug or a nearby agricultural extension worker.





Slug



Damage on leaves



Excessive damage on leaves.

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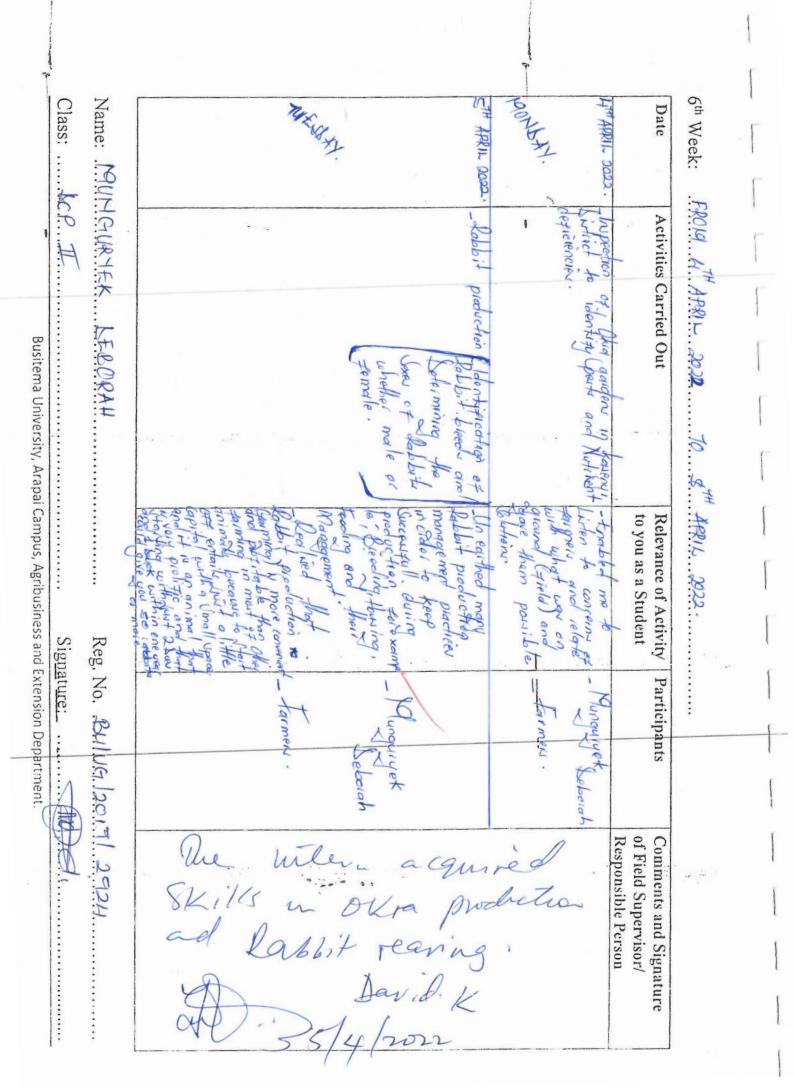
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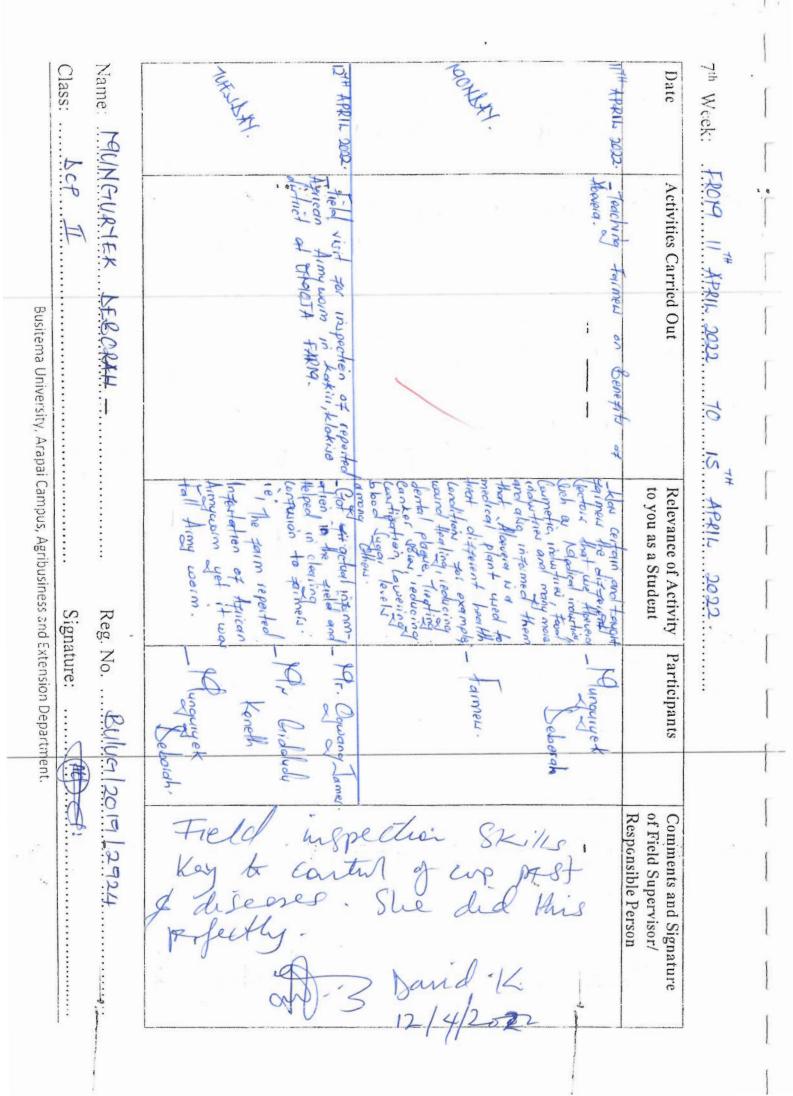
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