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Dedication;

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List of Abbreviations.

NaSARRI

National Semi-arid Resources Research Institute.

NARO

National Agricultural Research Organization.

E.g.

For example

IT.

Industrial Training

Cm

Centimeters.

Wk

Week.

PH

Potential Hydrogen.

NAROSORG

Naro sorghum.

SESIM

Serere simsim

BUAC

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BAB

Bachelor of Agribusiness.

SEPI

Serere pigeon pea

SERENUT

Serere groundnut

SESO

Serere sorghum

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Abstract:

This Internship was conducted for a period of 10 week, starting 28th Feb 2022 to 7th of May 2022, at National Semi-arid Resources Research Institutes, located in the Eastern agro-ecological Zone in Serere district, 27km south of Soroti city.

NaSARRI is one of the 17 Public Research Institutes under the National Agricultural Research Organization in Uganda.

Industrial Training is therefore an important mechanism which is always conducted to expose learners to Skill acquisitions. Implying that, they would be equipped with among others; the communication skills, administrative skills and operational skills. Its objectives are to enables learners acquire Practical knowledge, skills, methodology, monitoring, evaluation, among others in the field of Agricultural operation and other related fields.

Therefore, as an Agribusiness student, the Training was conducted under Seven section ie Farm management, Oil Crop Program, Socio economic, Dryland Cereal, Dryland Legumes, Cotton, and Livestock production, of which some were subdivided in to Subsections e.g. Farm management (Agroforestry, Animals traction, Meteorology studies, Principles of Horticulture, Pasture Establishment and Management).

However, the Orientation was conducted on Monday the Seventh day of March 2022 from 8:25am to 12:48pm, and was led by Mr. Obua Peter (The Research officer in charge of Crop Agronomy), alongside Mr. Okwang Dodah. This was attended together with few students from Nagongera Campus.

Thus as the Training commence, various activities were physically, experimentally and Practically performed, Casein point; Pest and diseases identification on pasture land, Grafting and Budding in mangoes and Oranges respectively, Emasculation in Ground nut, Data entrance, coding and analysis under Socio-economics, Nursery bed Establishment under Horticulture, Observing (selecting) of good animals for traction under animals traction, Seed laying and planting under Cereal and legumes, Seed counting and Bulking under Groundnuts, Telling wind direction under Meteorology,...

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CHAPTER ONE

1.0.0: INTRODUCTION (BACKGROUND) OF NaSARRI.

NaSARRI in full means National Semi-arid Resource Research Institute. It is one of the 17 Public agricultural Research Institutes under National Agricultural Research Organization (NARO) - which is responsible for conducting and coordinating agricultural Research in Uganda.

It was established in the early 1922 during the British regime and was initially established as Experimental station majorly for Ox- Cultivation technologies, purposely to support cotton production in Teso sub regions. As time goes on it was re-named as Serere Agricultural and Animals production Research Institutes (SAARI) in 1992., Thereafter in 2005, the institute was re-named as National Semi-arid Resource Research Institutes (NaSARRI).

1.0: NaSARRI Vision.

The institutional vision is to be a market leader in generation and disseminating of appropriate agricultural technologies for sustainable development in Semi-arid areas.

1.1: NaSARRI Mission.

Their mission is to generate, Package, and disseminates appropriately improved Agricultural products, as well as production technologies, and information for improved and sustained integrated crops and Natural Resource management in partnership with other Stakeholders.

1.2: The NaSARRI Mandate.

Their mandate is to undertake research on crop production for Semi-arid system. The operation areas cover the cattle corridor, and the five other agro-ecological Zones, comprising of the Eastern savanna (Teso region), Karamoja Dry land, Lango, Acholi, and the West Nile sub region

1.3: Objectives of the Institute (NaSARRI)

Basically among others, the institution has the following attainable Objectives;