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DEDICATION

I would like to dedicate this report to my parents Mrs. Ayaa Grace, Mr. Oyet Albert George, my brother Watmon Geoffrey and to all my sisters who supported me during the training.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

DAP Diploma in Animal Production and Management

BUAC Busitema University Arapai Campus

DFO District Fisheries Officer

CGA Certificate in General Agriculture

NGOs Non-Governmental Organizations

DCP Diploma in Crop Production and Management

NARO National Agricultural Research Organization

MAAIF Ministry of Agriculture Animal Industry and Fisheries

NAADS National Agricultural Advisory Services

ZARDI Zonal Agricultural Research and Development Institute

DFI District Farm Institute

CBOs Community Based Organizations

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ABSTRACT

This report contains the introduction describing the full meaning of Ngetta ZARDI and location, historical background, vision, mission, mandates, core values, activities and structure of the organization.

The training was to equip the researchers with the knowledge on practical skills required in agricultural activities. This is described through different activities carried out in different units. The units include; dairy production unit, goat unit, agro forestry, horticulture, germplasm (mangoes and citrus plantation), aquaculture, apiculture and adaptive research. Some of the activities were: cleaning, milking, treatment and feeding in goats and dairy units, budding and grafting in horticulture unit and among others.

Practical skills were gained for example milking, tick control, budding, grafting, potting, vegetative propagation and paddock management which had great positive impact on my future career.

Conclusion which shows that the attachment was successful, challenges and recommendations like the institute should employ farm attendants who know English.

Lastly, the last pages have a sketch map of the Ngetta ZARDI, figures and the work plan.

CHAPTER ONE:

INTRODUCTION

Title of the organization is Ngetta Zonal Agricultural Research and Development Institute

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

Ngetta ZARDI being a research institute has scanty historical background (historical background about the institute is not clear) but is believed to have started around 1930s as a cotton variety try center under Serere Agricultural and animal research institute (SAARI) currently known as NaSARRI after the first world war of 1939 to 1945.

After the post-World War II the center was used as orientation and resettlement of the war veterans

The center was turned to be a District Farm Institute (DFI) for training farmers on better agricultural practices after independence. In 1999 despite the political insurgency the center was handed over to NARO. The institute is being owned by the government. It works under MAAIF. Ngetta ZARDI offers quality seeds e.g. Maize, Cassava cuttings, Sweet potatoes vines etc. to its customers. They also offer outreach and farmer training to its customers.

Persons regarded as customers/beneficiaries of the organization are the staff of Ngetta ZARDI, local community (farmers), institutions (schools),

LOCATION

Ngetta ZARDI is located. 1170N of the Equator and 32.56°E of Greenwich meridian, in Northern Uganda, Lira City, Lira City East Division, Telela Ward, Okii oyere Cell along fira-Kitgum high way about 5 kilometers from lira town. The vegetation is savanna grass land with scattered trees and shrubs, the soils are well drained sandy loam and the topography is gentle slope (plateau). The elevation of the institute is 1000-1180m above sea level

OBJECTIVES/AIMS OF THE OGANISATION

The following are the objectives of Ngetta Zonal Agricultural Research and Development Institute (Ngetta ZARDI) under National Agricultural Research Organization (NARO)

- > To manage and carry out applied adaptive research for northern agro ecological zone
- To improve on the goats production. Dairy breeds and fishery to meet the increase demand and to improve on the dictary of the local population in terms of milk got from dairy cows