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## LIST OF ABBREVIATION

Abi-ZARDI:

Abi Zonal Agricultural Research and Development Institute

ARDC:

Agricultural Research and Development Centre

BOF:

British Ox farm

BUAC:

Busitema University Arapai Campus

CBSD:

Cassava Brown Streak Disease

CM:

Centimetres

CMBD:

Cassava mosaic disease

DCP:

Diploma in crop production and Management

DFI:

District Farm Institute

E.g.:

For example

Etc.:

And many others

G:

Grams

Kg:

Kilograms

KM:

Kilo Meters

M:

Meters

ML:

Mil litre

Mr:

Mister

Ms:

Mistress

NARO:

National Agricultural Research Organisation

NB:

Note

PHH:

Post Harvest Handling

VTC:

Variety Trial Centre

WNAEZ:

West Nile Agro-Ecological Zone

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## **ABSTRACT**

This report serves to provide information about my Industrial training conducted for two and a half month at Abi-ZARDI, a National Agricultural research Institution located 8km away from Arua city (Arua district) in Manibe ward along Rhino camp road. The university introduced the policy of industrial training to impact practical skills and knowledge to students. During the industrial training, several activities were conducted in several units like; crop, soil science, livestock, aquaculture and apiculture where qualified and technical technicians took students through. The units tackled over this period made me to attain skills and knowledge on; pest and disease control in crop, compost manure making, ear tagging, dehorning livestock, castration among others. Industrial training was done successful although challenges like inadequate tools, tools not being in good condition, dry season limiting on some agronomic practices, however the limitations can be resolved by; repairing work tools, provision of more tools, more knap sack sprayers to easy work in various units.

The recommendation to Abi-ZARDI was to train industrial students on agricultural mechanisation so that students gain knowledge on it. To the University; the University should prolong industrial training period so that students acquire more practical knowledge.



#### 1.0 CHAPTER ONE: INTRODUCTION

# 1.1 Introduction to industrial training

Industrial Training is a major component of the training program for the students of Busitema University who are pursuing; Diploma in crop production and management (DCP), Diploma in animal production and management (DAP), Bachelor, and Certificate in General Agriculture (CGA) that aims at providing students with practical knowledge of different agricultural discipline. Industrial training began on the 28<sup>th</sup> 02 2022 to 06<sup>th</sup> 05 2022.

# 1.2 Objectives of industrial training

To achieve and impact practical skills, knowledge and experience in the fields of agriculture

To understand the theoretical knowledge through practical

To build confidence among students

To broaden the minds and knowledge of students through internship program

To expose students to learn things outside class and this help students to know things down outside class.

Yield internship report for the partial fulfilment for the award of diploma in crop production and management.

This Industrial training was carried out at Abi-Zonal Agricultural Research and Development Institute (Abi ZARDI)

Abi-Zonal Agricultural Research and Development institute (ABI ZARDI) is one the National Agricultural Research Organizations (NARO) in Uganda and NARO is a semi-autonomous public agricultural research organization established by the act of parliament (National Agricultural act of 2005). Abi-ZARDI is headed by the Director of research and operating under NARO as a component of National Agricultural Research Organization.

## 1.3 Historical Background of Abi-ZARDI

Before it became ABI ZARDI, it was formally called Abi farm. In 1922, two (2) German veteran's (Mr. Basil Bushy and Mr. George Stub) arrived in West Nile looking for farm land, the elders of Oboopi clan under the leadership of their eldest son Ombanya gathered together and gave them 208 archers (83.2 hectares) of land that was previous a battle field. They opened the land and begun on farming tobacco and other crops and built a factory. They also