



IC PROJECT REPORTING TEMPLATE AS PART OF THE STRATEGY AND PROCESS ON HOW THE IC REVIEWS AND ANALYSES ICD PROJECTS

Project Title: Strengthening phytosanitary capacity for plant exports in Zambia

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To be filled in by the submitter	1. Project Profile	
	Recipient Region(s)/ Countries	Zambia
	Donor/ Resource Partner	STDF and EIF
	IC Representative (if applicable)	
	IPPC Secretariat Representation (if applicable)	
	RPPO Representation (if applicable)	
	Collaboration / Participating Organizations	Implementing entity: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EIF National Implementation Unit, Zambia. Partners: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plant Quarantine and Phytosanitary Service (PQPS), Ministry of Agriculture, • Zambia Southern African Development Community (SADC), • Zambia Export Growers Association (ZEGA), • Zambia Seed Trade Association (ZASTA), • Exporters and • PhytoSolutions Consultancy
	Project Budget (detailed funds and/or in-kind)	Total project Value: 629,697 (US\$) STDF Contribution: 254,675 (US\$) EIF Contribution: 200,000 (US\$) In-kind contribution: 175,022 (US\$)
	Project Timing	2018-11 – 2021-09
	2. Project Scope and Relevance to the IPPC and main outputs (max 200 words)	
<p>The project aims at improving Zambia's phytosanitary capacity and increase the confidence of its trading partners, especially SADC Member States, through compliance with their phytosanitary requirements.</p> <p>The project will develop an action plan to improve Zambia's phytosanitary regulatory system and recommend potential opportunities for improving Zambia's exports. This plan will also establish</p>		

	<p>priorities for making changes to Zambia's phytosanitary system and will consider a more risk-based approach.</p> <p>The project is relevant to the IPPC since Zambia's NPPO and its legislation does not formally recognise the country's obligations as a member of the World Trade Organization (WTO) and the Regional Economic Communities (RECs), as well as a signatory contracting party of the International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC). Therefore, the project will review the Plant Pests and Diseases Act (which provides for the eradication and prevention of the spread of plant pests and diseases) and associated regulations to address shortcomings in Zambia's national legislation and align it to international standards.</p> <p>Finally, the project will also organise several workshops to develop Zambia's NPPO strategy for future operations and a Zambia-led regional plant quarantine pest surveillance programme. NPPO staff will be trained in export phytosanitary regulatory systems.</p>
	<p>3. Project Supporting Materials [e.g. hyperlinks]</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project webpage: https://www.standardsfacility.org/PG-481 Project Application Form: https://www.standardsfacility.org/sites/default/files/STDF_PG_481_Application_Sept-17_0.pdf
To be filled in by the assigned IC member and revised by the IC	<p>4. List project technical resources (i.e. guides, training materials, tools) that could be useful and used by other stakeholders</p>
	<p>Improved access to trading partners' phytosanitary requirements and understanding of risk-based approaches to managing trade in plant products -identify opportunities for Zambia to export plants and plant products into the SADC region. Detailed information on import requirements applying to plants and plant products will be required by each member state. Identify relevant information sources and how they can be accessed for updates. The compiled information, hard and soft copy, will be made available to interested parties. The information will then be assessed to determine whether Zambian exports comply with other members' phytosanitary requirements, and if not, what additional measures need to be implemented by producers and/or Zambia's NPPO. Political and operational changes to Zambia's phytosanitary regulatory system will be necessary to better manage plant health risks. This means that pests representing high risks must be prioritized for attention within PQPS operations and all risk management options must be examined to ensure that practical and cost-effective measures are adopted based on the associated level of risk. Recommendations developed on potential opportunities for improving Zambia's exports and to improve Zambia's phytosanitary regulatory system will be collated into an Action Plan. This plan will also establish priorities for making changes to Zambia's phytosanitary system and will consider a more risk-based approach. The Action Plan is a document that PQPS can use to develop its five-year Strategic Plan.</p> <p>Strategies developed for future operations of Zambia's NPPO and a Zambia-led regional plant quarantine pest surveillance programme. The project will carry out a workshop to develop a five-year Strategic Plan for Zambia's PQPS. It will be developed through a five-day session for ten senior PQPS staff from PQPS's head office. The workshop, facilitated by an external consultant, will provide the staff the chance to participate in a systematic process of envisioning the service in a five year time framework, translating that vision into broadly defined goals/objectives, and lastly, using the Action Plan previously developed to define the steps required to achieve those objectives. After developing the five-year strategic plan for PQPS, the staff will also build up an Annual Operational Plan to assist the PQPS in implementing its five-year Strategic Plan and to justify the annual operating budget. This activity will involve a two-day meeting of 10 PQPS staff to define what portion of the Strategic Plan will be put into operation each year and establish the activities PQPS will deliver and the resources required to deliver them. Two other workshops will also be organized by the project. One to determine which quarantine pests along the SADC region require surveillance and another one to draft a SADC policy on cost sharing/resourcing arrangements for regional SPS surveillance activities. If a SADC Member State confirms that one or more quarantined pests require regional surveillance, a final workshop will be organized to develop a Regional Plant Quarantine Pest Surveillance.</p> <p>NPPO staff trained in export phytosanitary regulatory systems. A six-day workshop for 10 PQPS staff about bilateral market access negotiations. The workshop will use relevant commodity examples to be exported to South Africa and/or another SADC Member State. It will</p>

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	5. Provide a list of project experts that could be recommended to other stakeholders and describe why
	An 'expert' consultant will bring inside-knowledge of the market access processes and import risk analysis procedures followed by South Africa's NPPO and provide one-on-one guidance or mentoring to participants during a learning-by-doing workshop. <i>IC lead comment- need guidance by IC and the Secretariat sourcing expert from the region (PhytoSolutions, SADC or FAO & others).</i>
	6. Describe successes and challenges that could be promoted for the benefit of other stakeholders
	7. List targeted beneficiaries [i.e. regions, countries, RPPOs, NPPOs and other institutions]
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plant Quarantine and Phytosanitary Service (PQPS), Ministry of Agriculture, • Zambia Southern African Development Community (SADC), • Zambia Export Growers Association (ZEGA), • Zambia Seed Trade Association (ZASTA), • Plant based Exporters • Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA)
	8. List actions to be taken and describe IPPC network involvement [i.e. the technical resources to be reviewed by the IC; the experts curriculum to be reviewed by the IC; the successes and challenges of the project to be reviewed by the IC, possible project collaboration with the relevant IPPC governing bodies, subsidiary bodies or other committees].
	TBD
	9. Communication plan: on the basis of answers to questions 7 and 8, develop a detailed and targeted communication plan [indicate communication actions to be undertaken and stakeholders to be targeted and means for doing so].
	TBD