



Promoting cotton by-products in Eastern and Southern Africa

UN Development Account Project 1617K

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PROGRAMME

National capacity-building workshop

27-29 September 2017, Harare, Zimbabwe

1. Stakeholder workshop, 27-28 September

Day 1

8:00-8:45 Registration of participants

8:45-10:30 Opening session

Chairperson: Dr. Isaiah Mharapara, CEO, Agricultural Research Council

Introduction to the project: Ms. Yanchun Zhang, Chief, Commodity Policy Implementation and Outreach Section, UNCTAD

Remarks from UNDP: Mr. Amarakoon Bandara, Economic Advisor, UNDP Zimbabwe

Remarks from UNECA: Mr. Komi Tsowou, Economic Affairs Officer

10:30-10:45 Coffee break

10:45-12:30 Session 1: Presentation of survey results

Chairperson: Dr. Isaiah Mharapara, CEO, Agricultural Research Council

Survey results: Dr. Gibson Chigumira (author)

Discussant: Mr. Pious Manamike, Managing Director, COTTCO

Discussant: Mr. Admire Masenda, Director, Association of Cotton Value Adders of Zimbabwe (ACVAZ)

Moderated discussion

12:30-14:00 Group photo, followed by lunch

14:00-16:00 Session 2: Increasing seed cotton production in Zimbabwe

Chairperson: Mr. Pious Manamike, Managing Director, COTTCO

Expert presentation: Mr. Godfrey Buka, Consultant, former Director-General, Cotton Ginners Association of Zimbabwe (CGAZ)

Discussion

Agreement of recommendations

Deliverable

16:00-16:30 Coffee break

16:30-17:30 Session 3: Identification of an oversight committee

Chairperson: Mr. Admire Masenda, Director, Association of Cotton Value Adders of Zimbabwe (ACVAZ)

Deliverable

Day 2

8:45-10:30 Session 4: Priority cotton by-products activities for development

Facilitator: Mr. Tendai Makova, University of Zimbabwe, Economics Lecturer

Expert presentation: Dr. P. G. Patil, Director, Central Institute for Research on Cotton Technology (CIRCOT), India (*by Skype*)

Discussion 1: "Seed cake"

Discussion 2: "Cottonseed oil"

10:30-10:45 Coffee break

10:45-12:30 Session 5: Priority cotton by-products activities for development (continued)

Facilitator: Mr. Tendai Makova, University of Zimbabwe, Economics Lecturer

Expert presentation: Dr. P. G. Patil, Director, Central Institute for Research on Cotton Technology (CIRCOT), India (*by Skype*)

Discussion 3: "Cotton stalks"

Discussion 4: "Others, e.g. hulls"

12:30-14:00 Lunch

14:00-15:30 Session 6: Strategies for developing priority cotton by-product activities

Facilitator: Mr. Simon Matsvai, Director, Symacon Solutions

Priority product 1

Priority product 2

Priority product 3

Deliverable

15:30-15:45 Coffee break

15:45-17:15 Session 7: National action plan to develop cotton by-products

Chairperson: Mr. Admire Masenda, Director, Association of Cotton Value Adders of Zimbabwe (ACVAZ)

Discussion of strategies

Formulation of draft national action plan¹

Deliverable

17:15-17:30 Closing session

Chairperson: Dr. Dumisani Kutwayo, Director, Research and Specialist Services Department, Ministry of Agriculture

Adoption of deliverables

¹ Including both recommendations to increase seed cotton production (Session 2) and strategies for developing priority cotton by-product activities (Session 6).

2. Policy workshop, 29 September

8:45-10:30 Opening session

Chairperson:	Dr. Dumisani Kutwayo, Director, Research and Specialist Services Department, Ministry of Agriculture
Survey results:	Dr. Gibson Chigumira (author)
Draft national action plan:	Mr. Admire Masenda, Director, Association of Cotton Value Adders of Zimbabwe (ACVAZ)

10:30-10:45 Coffee break

10:45-12:30 Session 1: Gap analysis

Facilitator:	Dr. Gibson Chigumira, Executive Director, ZEPARU
Cotton cultivation	
Cotton by-products value addition	

12:30-14:00 Group photo, followed by lunch

14:00-15:30 Session 2: Best practices

Facilitator:	Dr. Gibson Chigumira, Executive Director, ZEPARU
Discussion	

15:30-15:45 Coffee break

15:45-17:15 Session 3: Policy proposals

Chairperson:	Government of Zimbabwe
Cotton cultivation	
Cotton by-products value addition	
Investment profiles	
<i>Deliverable</i>	

17:15-17:30 Closing session

Chairperson:	Government of Zimbabwe
Adoption of deliverables	

3. Contacts

General information on the project, including the project document, background materials and activity reports, can be found at the project site:

<http://unctad.org/en/Pages/SUC/Commodities/SUC-Project-1617K.aspx>

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