



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: Dr. Isaiah Mharapara, CEO, Agricultural Research Council

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, Economics Lecturer, University of Zimbabwe

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

10:30-10:45 Coffee break

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

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

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: Cottonseed meal with gossypol removed

Priority product 2: Products derived from cotton stalks

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 Kutuywayo, Director, Research and Specialist Services, Ministry of Agriculture

Adoption of deliverables

2. Policy workshop, 29 September

8:45-10:30 Opening session

Chairperson: Dr. Dumisani Kutuywayo, Director, Research and Specialist Services, 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)

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

10:30-10:45 Coffee break

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

Facilitator: Dr. Gibson Chigumira, Executive Director, ZEPARU
Cotton cultivation and 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: Mr. Collen Kabudura, Deputy Director, Ministry of
Industry and Commerce

Cotton cultivation
Cotton by-products value addition
Deliverable

17:15-17:30 Closing session

Chairperson: Mr. Collen Kabudura, Deputy Director, Ministry of
Industry and Commerce

Adoption of deliverables

Closing remarks: Dr. Dumisani Kutuyayo, Director, Research and
Specialist Services, Ministry of Agriculture

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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