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NAQIA Establishment, Governance & Management

- A statutory authority established by an Act of Parliament in 1997 within the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock to provide a sound science-based biosecurity services.
- ► Governed by a Board of Directors of key stakeholders from the Government and the private sector representing agriculture, fisheries and livestock industries.
- ► The Executive Management is headed by the Managing Director and the Divisional General Managers. NAQIA Management report to the Board and in turn report to the Agriculture Minister.
- ► The technical and operational services in all regions of the country are headed by Chief Plant Protection Officer, Chief Agriculture Quarantine Officer and the Chief Veterinary Officer.

NAQIA' Strategic Objectives & Functions

- Biosecurity Legislation, Policy and Planning
- National Biosecurity Policy
- PNG Biosecurity Bill
- Development of Regulations

NAQIA' Strategic Objectives & Functions (cont.)

- Plant Pests and Animal Diseases Control
- Surveillance and Monitoring
- Contingency Response Plans
- Advisory Services
- Public Awareness
- Containment and Management

NAQIA' Strategic Objectives & Functions (cont.)

- Trade Facilitation
- Laboratory Diagnostic and Testing Services
- Standard Setting and Compliance to WTO/SPS, IPPC and OIE rules and regulations at national level
- Quality Assurance Systems
- Border Surveillance, Inspection and Clearance of Cargoes.
- Market Access

NAQIA' Strategic Objectives & Functions (cont.)

- Capacity Building and Development
- Staff recruitment and development
- Staff training
- Information Communication and Technology
- Internal and External Collaborations

IPPC's Responsibilities for the National Plant Protection Organization (NPPO)

- The IPPC requires that Contracting Parties designate a National Plant Protection Organisation as the official authority for phytosanitary measures.
- ► The IPPC defines specific responsibilities of the National Plant Protection Organisation.
- Article 1 of IPPC: Purpose and Responsibility
- To secure common and effective action to prevent the spread and introduction of pests of plants and plant products, and to promote appropriate measures for their control, the contracting parties undertake to adopt the legislative, technical and administrative measures specified in this convention and in supplementary agreements

The National Plant Protection Organization in PNG

- NAQIA is the NPPO (excluding the Animal Health Section).
- Contracting Party to IPPC in 1967.
- The official and competent authority for phytosanitary measures in the country.
- Chief Plant Protection Officer as the official IPPC Contact Point.

TRADE ISSUES

- ► IMPORTS
- Pest risk analysis (PRA) reporting
- Lack of technical staff to conduct PRAs
- Lack of PEQ facilities.
- Lack of the Operations staff for border inspection and clearance.
- Illegal imports.
- Public awareness on import requirements.
- Development of online import application system.

TRADE ISSUES (cont.)

EXPORTS & MARKET ACCESS

- Pest Risk Analysis (PRA) requirements by importing countries.
- Importing countries import requirements
- Lack of technical staff to conduct market access proposals or studies.
- Pest free area declarations.
- Lack of export packhouses and treatment facilities.
- Public awareness on export requirements.
- Quality control assurance requirements.
- Product certifications and other required documents.
- Issuances of phytosanitary and animal health certificates.

TRADE ISSUES (cont.)

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Improve collaborations with other Government entities, industries and exporters.
- Improve bilateral relations with countries.
- Carry out more awareness on import and export requirements.
- Recruitment of additional staff in the NPPO.
- Training on issuance of electronic phytosanitary certificates.

THANK YOU

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