BIOSECURITY SOLOMON ISLANDS SPS — ISSUES & CHALLENGES.

Presentation

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Presentation Outline

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Update

- . 42 Staffs.
- □ Solomon Islands operates under a new Biosecurity legislation since 2013.
- New Biosecurity regulation- 2015
- Work instruction- 2015
- Two international airport and two international seaport
- Two international border (PNG, Vanuatu)



BIOSECURITY OPERATIONAL AREAS.

- 1.Border Operations (Seaport, Airport, Cargo, Mail)
 Provincial Operations (Western Province, Eastern Province)
- 2. Surveillance, internal control and PEQ Operations.
- 3. Compliance, enforcement and Audit Operations.
- 4. Publicity and Communications.
- 5. Strategy and Governance.
- 6. Market Access & trade.



Biosecurity Continuum

Post Border Biosecurity

(surveillance, response, control)

Border Biosecurity

- Airport. Seaport, Cargoes

 Pre-Border Biosecurity
- _- Import risk assessment.
- Pest Risk Analysis.
- Offshore inspection. permit



BIOSECURITY FUNCTIONS

- 1: Issues Phytosanitary Certificates for plants & Plant products. (Export)
- 2: Issues Sanitary Certificates for animal & animal products.
- 3: Carry out Pest Risk analysis for import products
- 4: Risk Assessments for animal products.
- 5: Inspection of imported Biosecurity risk cargoes.
- 6. Inspection of incoming passengers, vessels.
- 7. Issue multiple, single commercial permits both for plants/ animal products.(Import)
- 8. Issue personal consumption permits (25kg)
- 9. Surveillance,
- 10. Charge non-compliance
- 11: Disinfestation of consignments.
- 12; Capacity building (Legislation)



MARKET ACCESS.

- 1. Bilateral discussions is progressing with NPPO Kiribati.
- 2. Bilateral discussion is progressing with PRC.
- 3. SIG procure VHT equipment from Japan-
- 4. SI is maintaining access to the traditional export (cocoa, coconut, Kava, yellow Cassava.
- 5. Noni has be slowing down.
- 6. No fruits and vegetable being exported.
- 7. Complete System approach training.
- 8. PRA for orchids from Fiji.
- 9. PRA- Onion from China.

MANAGEMENT OF ESTABLISH PEST

- 1: Monitoring & Surveillance of pest free areas.
- 2: Eradicate, control and containment
- 3: Internal Biosecurity Control
- 4: Public Awareness on pest management.
- 5: Notification of any pest out break to IPPC.



MARKET ACCESS- EXPORT

- 1: Biosecurity Export Regulation Vetting at AG chambers.
- 2: Issue of Phytosanitary Certificate.
- 3. Export pathway for SPS products.
- 4. Issue of Export Certificate for wildlife, Live animal.
- 5. Export Certificate and Fumigation.
- 6. Monitoring and Compliance of export pathways.
- 7. Import Requirements of importing countries.



ISSUES & CHALLENGES.

- 1: STRICK BIOSECURITY REQUIREMENTS FROM IMPORTING COUNTRIES.
- 2: INADEQUATE CAPACITY TO DEAL WITH EXPORTS/ IMPORTS.
- 3: LACK OF TECHNICAL CAPACITY TO MITIGATE BIOSECURITY RISKS.
- 4; SOLOMON ISLANDS VULNARABLE TO NATURAL DISASTERS.
- 5: LACK OF LARGE COMMERCIAL FARMS IN THE COUNTRY.
- 6. LOW PRODUCTS EXPORTED OVERSEAS.
- 7: LACK OF PROPER FACILITIES TO MEET INTERNATIONAL REQUIREMENTS.
- 8: LACK OF PEST MANAGEMENT.
- 9: CHANGES IN IMPORT STANDARDS FROM TRADING COUNTRIES.
- 10: POOR COMMUNICATION & COORDINATION BETWEEN OTHER KEY STAKEHOLDERS.
- 11: LIMITED MANAGEMENT SKILLS TO MANAGE CHALLENEGS ASSOCIATED WITH DELIVERY OF SPS REQUIREMENTS.
- 12: LACK OF UPDATED PESTLIST.



RECOMMENDATION

- 1: INCREASE CAPACITY TO ADDRESS PEST & DISEASE MANAGEMENT.
- 2: CAPACITY BUILDING FOR CHANGES IN SPS REQUIREMENTS.
- 3: SUPPORT IN DISINFECTION FACILITIES TO COMPLY WITH SPS REQUIREMENTS.
- 4: BETTER COLLABORATION BETWEEN EXPORTERS AND SPS FORCAL POINTS TO ACCESS MARKETS.
- 5: CAPACITY BUILDING REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMODITY VALUE CHAINS.
- 6: IMPROVEMENT IN INFRASTRUCTURE, STORAGE/ CONSOLIDATION FACILITIES AND TREATMENTS TO

ENSURE PROPER COMPLIANCE FROM FIELD TO DESTINATION (FOR EXPORT)



Way forward and Conclusion

■ Biosecurity Solomon Islands to become a state own enterprise (Biosecurity Authority of Solomon Islands)

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