

OPENNING REMARKS OF DIRECTOR, ECONOMIC, TRADE AND INVESTMENT
DEPARTMENT, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, AMBASSADOR AKINREMI BOLAJI, AT
THE REGIONAL CROPWATCH TRAINING WORKSHOP, ON 2ND JULY, 2024 AT
JOHNWOOD HOTEL, BOLTON, 6 SOKODE CRES, WUSE, ABUJA

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2. May I, on behalf of the Honourable Minister of Foreign Affairs, express my deepest appreciation to the organizers of this important programme, for extending invitation to the Ministry, to attend this great and timely training on Crop Watch Innovative Cooperation Programme Workshop.
3. There is no doubt that a workshop of this nature is capable of promoting and transforming the economic fortune of our dear country especially in the areas of food security, job creation as well as strategic economic growth, through constructive engagement of our teeming youth in the productive Agricultural sector.
4. It is imperative to state that the application of science and technological innovation in the Agricultural sector will not only boost food sufficiency within the country but also facilitate the much anticipated Agricultural revolution that would serve as a dependable alternative source of oil in Nigeria.
5. To this extent, I therefore urge the relevant key stakeholders to leverage on the benefits of this Crop Watch Innovative Cooperation Programme (ICP), Workshop to facilitate and promote strategic capacity building in the relevant areas of interest in Agricultural sector within and outside Nigeria.
6. In line with Mr. President's Renewed Hope Agenda of aggressive Economic Reinvigoration and Transformation, the Ministry will always be ready to extend necessary institutional support within its mandate to ensure success and operation of Crop Watch Innovative Cooperation Programme.
7. Thank you all, for listening.