

ACTION PLAN FOR RICE SEED PRODUCTION IN NIGERIA

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Problem of Seed Production

- Poor Access to improved quality seeds by Farmers
- Delay in Varietal release system
- Inadequate weak / foundation / certified seed supply
- Weak varietal maintenance
- Mixed seed Varieties are used in the case of home Seed – grown
- There is not linkage between the Research Institute and the farmers

SOLUTION

- Uses of improved lowland rice varieties FARO44, 52,57, 60 and 61
- Organizing farmer into Cluster and linkage of the Cluster with modern research finding
- Introduction of the Growth Enhancement Support (GES) through the wallet scheme

Classification of seed in Nigeria

- Breeder Seed
- Foundation Seed
- Register Seed
- Certified Seed

National Seed Council of Nigeria

- Board Chairman
- Senate Committee on Agriculture – Member
- House of Representative on Agriculture – Member
- Permanent Secretary FMA&RD -member
- National Cereal Research Institute – member
- Rice Farmer Association of Nigeria – member
- Federal Ministry of Finance (FMF)- member
- National Planning Commission NPC- member

Problem and Action

TARGET	PROBLEM	PROPOSED ACTION
Researcher	Inadequate Researcher personnel	Review of employment Act
Extension officer	Inadequate of Extension officer	Extension officer to be strengthen
Private sector / seed Companies	Lack of Education back ground	Training of private sector at African Rice Center

AVO (Thank You)