



Presentation

Fiji Crops Forum:

Embracing the Changing Landscape
of the Fiji Crops Sector

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Introduction to BAF

Biosecurity is a strategic and integrated approach to analysing and managing relevant risks to the life and health of:

Humans



Animals



Plants



Environment



Current situation

- * New importations related to seeds, plant materials and tissue cultures.
- * Import Risk Assessments (DIRA & OVIRA) and Import permit requirements (BIS) related to agro related commodities and products.
- * BAF Border checks on imported fresh fruits and vegetables addressing the unforeseen risks tagged to such imports.
- * BAF treatments on non-compliance import consignments.
- * Approved BAP's to address post-entry quarantine requirements for imported plants and products.

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- * Facilitate import of Organic materials.
- * Facilitate export trade of fresh fruits and vegetables.
- * Facilitate Fiji market access request for the export of new agro products.
- * Follow up on non-compliance issues and feedback to trading partners.
- * Audit and giving needed assurance to our partners on existing BQA and commodity pathways.
- * Collaboration with MOA and other major stakeholders on the existing pathways.

Challenges

- * Regulated pest (and “hitch-hikers”) interceptions on exports of plants and products.
- * Monitoring and compliance of existing pathways (Systems Approach).
- * Ever changing (dynamic) biosecurity threats related to trade and the need to set SOPs for the effective collaborative approaches on existing pathways.
- * Treatment scenarios at all levels to address plant pests of concern.

Prioritize constraints

- * Import - Alternative treatments esp. for Methyl bromide
- * Export - Pathway compliance activities
- * Audits - Proper documentations
- * Collaborative - Need to meet often (work together)
- * Holistic approach on available resources

Possible Solutions

*“Networking and ongoing collaboration and engagements on a regular basis”.

WAY FORWARD

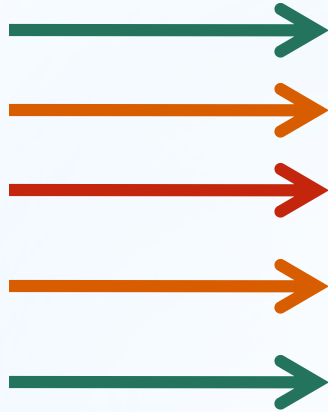


Strengthen network and collaborations with other agencies



Benefits

Exotic pests
and diseases

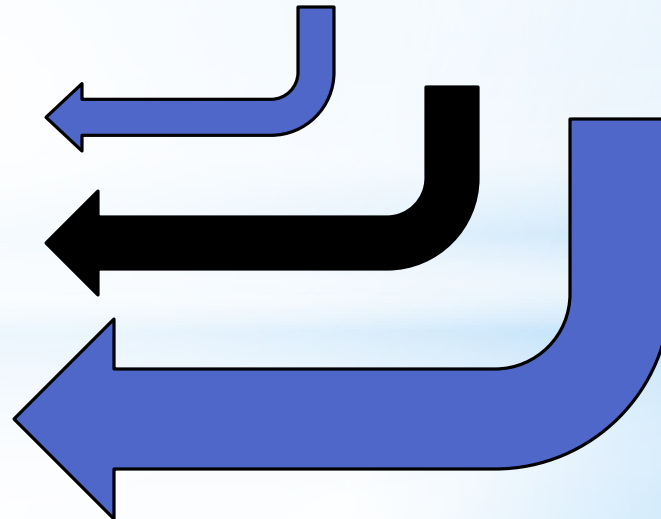


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- Facilitate Export
- Better Environment
- Tourism

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