

Regional IPPC Workshops 2015

Surveillance: Working together to strengthen implementation

The CPM agreed for an increased emphasis on surveillance in the next several years. This will take place through an Implementation Pilot Programme on Surveillance, which will be a coordinated effort with active participation from contracting parties and RPPOs. These efforts will build on the efforts made since your participation in the IRSS survey on ISPM 6 (Surveillance) in 2012.

The Regional IPPC Workshops are an opportunity to share experiences with surveillance activities such as: current status, upcoming plans, and successes and challenges of surveillance activities within your country.

Please submit this completed form in advance of the workshop and prepare a five-minute presentation on current and upcoming (next 2-5 years) of surveillance activities.

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Surveillance: An official process which collects and records data on pest presence or absence by survey, monitoring or other procedures (ISPM 5)

	Question	Answer
1.	What general surveillance activities take place in your country? (General surveillance is a process whereby information on particular pests which are of concern for an area is gathered from many sources, wherever it is available and provided for use by the NPPO – ISPM 6)	Huanglongbing of citrus and Citrus Leprosis. Provided to the NPPO or the Citrus Research and Education Institute by citrus growers and technical officers. Spinki mite Moniliophthora roreri Papaya Meleira Virus

2.	<p>What specific surveillance programmes (detection, delimiting or monitoring surveys for specific pests) take place in your country? (Specific surveys are procedures by which NPPOs obtain information on pests of concern on specific sites in an area over a defined period of time. – ISPM 6)</p>	<p><i>Ceratitis capitata</i> <i>Tuta absoluta</i> <i>Megacopta cribraria</i> <i>Candidatus Liberibacter solanacearum/Paratrioza cockerelli</i></p>
3.	<p>What current or upcoming surveillance projects, workshops or improvements are planned in your country for the next five years? Please include surveillance projects of any kind (for example funded domestically, through regional or international programmes, etc). <u>Plan to present this information at the workshop in 5 minutes or less so we can exchange ideas and updates in the region.</u></p>	<p>Surveillance for <i>Fusarium oxysporum</i> f.s. <i>cubense</i>, Tropical Race 4 in collaboration with the banana industry.</p> <p>Extension of the fruitfly trapping programme to incorporate national routes for <i>Bactrocera</i> Spp. other than only <i>Ceratitis capitata</i>.</p> <p>Two national workshops (first quarters of 2016 and 2017) to be conducted on surveillance with the objective of establishing a comprehensive programme for general and specific surveillance programmes. This will be geared at NPPO Officers, Extension Personnel of the Ministry of Agriculture as well as those of the relevant industries. Key industry personnel will be represented. A national system to capture surveillance information will be proposed.</p> <p>No regional projects (OIRSA) is currently planned but this may be possible given any eminent threat.</p>
4.	<p>What resources do you have to share related to surveillance (manuals, standard operating procedures, public outreach materials, etc)? Please list and identify if you are willing to share them.</p>	<p>Procedures for <i>Ceratitis capitata</i>, <i>Megacopta cribraria</i>, <i>Tuta absoluta</i> and <i>Candidatus Liberibacter solanacearum/Paratrioza cockerelli</i>.</p> <p>Some informational material also available.</p>
5.	<p>What do you think would help to address the challenges your country</p>	<p>A higher budget allocation (For operational costs and additional personnel).</p>

	has with surveillance programmes?	Better coordination with industry to share resources and common objectives.
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