

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)	<p>A country wide general survey was done in 2007 in an effort to update the pest list for St. Vincent and the Grenadines. This was a component of an SFA Project by FAO. The results have been published.</p> <p>General surveys of plant nurseries are conducted at least once per year by the NPPO</p>

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>A fruitfly detection and monitoring survey has been ongoing since 1985.</p> <p>Monitoring for banana leafspot diseases</p> <p>Detection and monitoring survey for Moko (<i>Ralstonia solanacearum</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>Red Palm Weevil Survey currently being undertaken by the Ministry of Agriculture with support from the USDA/APHIS</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>A manual is available for the Fruitfly Surveillance programme and can be shared.</p> <p>There is a protocol for conducting banana leafspot disease monitoring which can be shared</p>
5.	<p>What do you think would help to address the challenges your country has with surveillance programmes?</p>	<p>It would help if survey protocols are developed for specific pests of importance to the region. Also if information on materials and supplies to execute these surveys and where to source are catalogued.</p>