



STRENGTHENING FARMERS' RESISTANCE TO PLANT PEST AND DISEASE OUTBREAKS

The purpose of the International Plant Protection Convention is to secure common and effective action to prevent the spread and introduction of plant pests into endangered areas and to promote measures for their control. Implementation of the provisions made in the Convention are guided by the Commission on Phytosanitary Measures. The Implementation Review and Support System for the Convention, which was agreed subsequently, was designed to build on existing or planned processes approved by the Convention's governing body, facilitating and promoting its implementation.



WHAT DID THE PROJECT DO?

The project continued the review and monitoring of implementation through activities within the International Plant Protection Convention Secretariat's work programme, with the additional priority of undertaking activities within the implementation pilot on surveillance.

A number of case studies were undertaken to understand the causes of implementation challenges for the Convention's contracting parties.

In addition, a General Survey was undertaken to understand the global implementation situation and sought to identify emerging issues in plant health that might negatively impact their implementation by contracting parties.

IMPACT

Awareness of plant protection methods was raised significantly among farmers and in their local communities. In particular, understanding grew of how the Convention's contracting parties need to be supported and their capacity development needs to enhance the implementation of the Convention.

National phytosanitary systems are strengthened as a result of the project, contributing to the Convention's mission to secure cooperation among nations in protecting global plant resources from the spread and introduction of plant pests, in order to preserve food security, biodiversity and to facilitate trade.

KEY FACTS

Contribution

USD694 245

Duration

April 2014 – March 2017

Resource Partners

European Union (EU)

Partners

FAO/International Plant Protection
Convention Secretariat

Beneficiaries

Farmers, rural communities



ACTIVITIES

- Annual national reporting obligation statistics monitored (increase in reports from 1 183 in 2014 to 1 674 in 2016).
- International Phytosanitary Portal updated and launched in July 2016.
- Analysis carried out on the functionality and usability of the International Plant Protection Convention help desk.
- Two questionnaires – one on diversion from intended use for a project case study, the other on emerging issues associated with plant health – conducted in order to gather information on contracting parties’ experiences.
- Four case studies conducted – on equivalence, diversion from intended use, biosecurity and the benefits of implementing the Convention – and three fact sheets produced providing an overview of the project cycle.
- Annual reports of project activities compiled to update Convention governance and subsidiary bodies.



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



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