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Agricultural Extension, Innovations and Training

Course Objectives

On completion of the course, participants should be able to:

- Recognize the need for agricultural extension.
- Analyse the various extension teaching methods and approaches and its application
- Understand technology adoption process
- Understand various PRA tools and techniques for diagnosing rural development challenges
- Train personnel to man agricultural institutions, including research, extension services, agribusiness and school agricultural programmes
- Conduct in-service training programmes for agricultural extension
- Develop, field test, and disseminate curricula materials for agricultural extension and educational institutions;
- Design and conduct programmatic research activities that foster agricultural development
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Target Groups

- Land development Officers
- Agricultural Training Officers
- Extension workers
- Agriculture Economists, Agriculture Experts, Agriculturalists
- Rural development planners and experts
- Policy planners
- Donor Agencies
- Community leaders
- Resource planners

Course Outline

- General Management Principles and Skills
- Role of agriculture in food security and development
- Diagnosing Development issues in rural community
- Agriculture and agriculture extension
- Principles and Objectives of Agricultural Extension
- Agricultural Extension Programme Planning, Development and Advisory Systems
- Policy Issues Related to Developing Pluralistic Agricultural Extension and Advisory Systems
- Relationship between National Agricultural Development Goals and Agricultural Extension

Objectives

- Agricultural knowledge System and Extension-Research
- Primary Clientele Served by Agricultural Extension
- Approaches to Agricultural Extension
- Extension Teaching Methods

- Communication in Extension
- Understanding Agriculture extension innovation
- Actors in agriculture innovation systems
- Rationale For Investing In Coordination And Collective Action for Innovation
- Innovation Networks
- Building innovation networks
- Building innovation capabilities in coordinating bodies and organizations
- Challenges for the management of planning for innovation support
- Governance of agriculture innovation
- Incentives and structure for innovation networks
- Building Innovation Capabilities in Farmer Organizations
- Learning organisations and innovation
- Innovation Adoption and Diffusion Process
- Extension worker as change agent
- Group Dynamics in Extension Work
- Technology Transfer Extension Models
- Training and Visit Extension
- Participatory Extension Approaches
- Market-Oriented Extension Approaches
- Commodity-Based Advisory Systems
- Innovative, Market-Driven Extension Approaches
- Nonformal Education/Extension Approaches .
- Strengthening Agricultural Extension Systems
- Supervising, Monitoring, and Evaluating Agricultural Extension Projects
- Adoption & Diffusion of Innovation
- Action Planning

Dates: 05th – 16th December 2022

Duration: 2 Weeks

Course Costs: US\$2850/delegate

Venue: Kigali, Rwanda