

Newsletter

1st QUARTER ACTIVITIES 2019 (January - March 2019)

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This newsletter presents activities and events that FPEAK was involved in for the months of January, February and March 2019.



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Representation in National Technical Committees

FPEAK attended the following meetings in the months January, February and March. We continue to represent member interests in the various advisory and technical committees of the horticulture industry.

The committees include:

The Horticulture Competent Authority Structure (HCAs);

Discussions revolved around interceptions/notifications of fresh produce in the market place and the role of KEPHIS and other government agencies to facilitate Kenya in accessing new markets and trade in terms of Sanitary and Phytosanitary requirements.

• The committee on National Traceability System;

The audit of the National Traceability System has began support of RTI who have pledged to see the project through. Audit firm PKF has been contracted to carry out the audit services and have promised a 6 week turn around. We will update you on the progress of the audit.

• Technical Committee on Minor Crop Agrochemical Extrapolation;

FPEAK together with Pesticides Control Products Board (PCPB), Agrochemicals Association of Kenya (AAK) and Kenya Plant Health Inspectorate Services (KEPHIS) are working to extrapolate agrochemicals to have pesticides registered/include in labels for minor crops.



PRODUCE EXORA

Member Training on KS1758

Having completed the KS 1758 implementation and training tools, FPEAK continues to train export companies staff on KS 1758. The training sessions create awareness and equip on the requirement for compliance to the standard.

Two companies based in Naivasha have been trained and more will be in the coming weeks...



Staff members during the training.



Collective Training on Avocado Fruit Management.

As follow up on the Avocado workshop held in November 2018 at Boma Inn Hotel, Nairobi, COLEACP organized a collective training for Technical Staff for Horticultural Companies on Avocado fruit management. The training was aimed at building technical capacity on improved Harvest and post-harvest practices for avocados including maturity testing. The training covered production, harvesting, handling and packing procedures. The training targeted public sector inspectors and service providers that inspect fruit quality and provide capacity building services on avocado.





Minor Crop Agrochemical Extrapolation

FPEAK is working with Pesticides Control Products Board (PCPB), Agrochemicals Association of Kenya (AAK) and Kenya Plant Health Inspectorate Services (KEPHIS) to extrapolate agrochemicals and have pesticides registered/include in labels for minor crops. As at 25th February, 2019, 43 Permits on minor crops have been issued by PCPB as follows:

Crop	Insect Pests	Diseases	Weeds	Nematodes
Herbs	12	10	2	1
Broccoli	2	3		
Chilies	4	2		
Sweet corn	1		2	
Runner beans	1	1		
Snow peas		1		
Spinach	1			

PCPB has received 10 efficacy reports for crops as follows.

Efficacy reports received						
Crop	Insect Pests	Diseases	Weeds	Nematodes		
Chives	2	0	0	0		
Coriander	2	0	0	0		
Broccoli	1	0	0	0		
Snow peas	0	1	0	0		
Chilies	2	0	0	0		
Baby corn	0	0	2	0		

The process was slowed down as many of the trials were affected by last year's rain season and slow uptake from AAK members.

Upcoming Events





Macfrut Fruit & Veg Professional Show - Rimini Expo Centre

8th - 10th May 2019 https://www.macfrut.com/en/



7th Tanga International Trade Fair, Tanzania

28th May to 6th June 2019



International Flower Trade Expo IFTEX - 2019, Nairobi, Kenya

5th to 7th June 2019 https://hppexhibitions.com/iftex/



China Trade Week, Kenyatta International Conference Centre, Nairobi, Kenya

June 2019 http://www.ctwkenya.com



AGRITEC AFRICA International Exhibition & Conference on Agriculture Technologies

Nairobi, Kenya 19th to 21st June 2019 http://www.agritecafrica.com



43rd Dar es Salaam International Trade Fair (DITF 2019), Tanzania

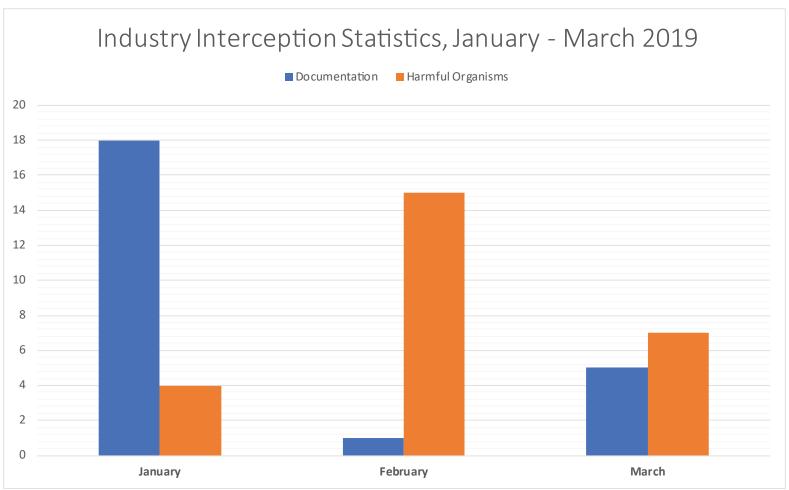
28th June to 13th July, 2019

https://tanzaniaembassy.fr/embassy/announcements/267-43rd-dar-international-trade-fair





INTERCEPTIONS



Documentation cases include: Additional Declaration Missing | Plant Passport: Incomplete | Plant Passport:copy/ Duplicata Not Endorsed | Incorrect Identity Declared On Documents | False Information | Non Compliance With Special Requirements | Additional Declaration Inadequate Or Invalid |

Harmful Organisms include: Liriomyza huidobrensis | Tephritidae | Thaumatotibia leucotreta | Bemisia tabaci | Liriomyza | Liriomyza sativae



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