

# **STAKEHOLDER WORKSHOP ON THE PROCUREMENT AND SUPPLY OF PESTICIDES FOR LOCUST CONTROL**

FAO Headquarters, Rome

Philippine Room (Building C, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, room C277)

2-3 September 2015

## **Provisional agenda**

### **Background information**

The workshop is a follow up to the 10<sup>th</sup> Pesticide Referee Group meeting (Tunis, December 2014) and after an informal meeting held with 'CropLife International' at FAO Headquarters (5 June 2015). The aim of the two-day workshop is to meet with the companies producing pesticides for locust control and review the existing pesticide supply chain mechanisms.

### **Wednesday, 2 September 2015**

#### **09:00 Opening of the workshop**

- Introduction of Stakeholders, outlining their role in locust control operations
- Objective of the workshop

#### **09:15 Requirements**

Companies producing pesticides recommended by PRG for locust control must:

- *Obtain or meet JMPS specification for their product, or*
- *Demonstrate full equivalence to JMPS specification by independent analysis, or*
- *Show determination of equivalence by a competent national authority*
- *Ensure that their products are registered against locusts and/or grasshoppers in affected countries*
- *Show that Packaging meets FAO and/or UN criteria*
- *Any other requirements*

#### **10:15 Coffee break**

#### **10:45 Supply chain issues**

What needs to be considered?

- *Location of formulating plant – at the manufacturer's site or could it be in the region?*
- *Guaranteed quantity and timescale for rapid formulation*
- *Quick logistics to deliver the product once formulated*
- *Clarify where safe/certified pesticide storage facilities are in place (e.g. specific locust-affected country(s)?)*
- *Improved coordination among pesticide donors and purchasing countries, to ensure that only the appropriate products are supplied and over-purchasing is avoided.*

#### **12:00 Lunch break**

#### **14:00 Supply chain issues (continued)**

Are there potential alternatives to existing supply chain mechanisms?

- *Possibility of holding rotating stocks of unformulated ingredients so that formulated product can be prepared quickly*
- *Other options*

**15:15 Coffee break**

**15:45 Equipment issues**

Are improvements required for formulations and equipment?

- *Discussion with pesticide producers to ensure solvents/formulations, especially those concerning IGRs, are compatible with available application equipment*
- *Ask industry which equipment is available to suit local conditions*
- *Any other issues related to equipment used for ground and aerial control*

**17:00 End of day**

## **Thursday, 3 September 2015**

**09:00 Product issues**

- *Discussion with companies on possibilities of new molecules to be tested for locust control – the “ideal locust control insecticide”*
- *Present FAO guidance on efficacy testing of insecticides for locust control and assurance of quality control*

**10:15 Coffee break**

**10:45 Product issues (continued)**

- *Discussion with biopesticide (metarhizium) producers on better availability of products*
- *Take-back options for unused locust control products*
- *Engagement of other stakeholders – especially AgroCare*
- *Encourage Industry to work with the three Regional Commissions that are in place to watch/follow-up on registration (CRC, CLCPRO, SWAC)*

**12:00 Lunch break**

**14:00 Conclusions**

- *Summarize and review of agreements for improving industry requirements and improvements to supply chain, equipment, products and coordination*
- *Recommendations, follow up action and next steps*

**15:15 Closing of the workshop**

**15:30 End of day**

**FAO Internal Session (English)**  
*for AGPMC, AGPMM, CSAP and TC staff only*

**15:45 Improved coordination and collaboration in the procurement and delivery of pesticides**

Commissions towards harmonizing work among concerned parties in order to avoid delays in the pesticide procurement and supply during emergency situations:

- *Are products checked against the appropriate specification, either provided by the manufacturer, WHO or FAO?*
- *Are FAO requirements for pesticides clear and adequate or do they need updating?*
- *Is there a list of approved suppliers, and on what basis?*
- *What is the process for receipt of certificates of conformance or analysis?*
- *Is there a mechanism for dealing with substandard materials or services?*
- *Supplier laboratories require standard operating procedures (GLP certified)*
- *Operational procedures for quality control*
- *Introduction of the new Pesticide Registration Toolkit*

**17:30 End of day**