

Food and Drugs Authority

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The Country Director
SNV Netherlands Development Organization
Accra
Ghana

Dear Sir / Madam,

SUBMISSION OF REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONTRACT BETWEEN SNV NETHERLANDS DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION, GHANA AND FOOD AND DRUGS AUTHORITY, GHANA

The Food and Drugs Authority submits the report on the implementation of the contract between SNV Netherlands Development Organization, Ghana and Food and Drugs Authority, Ghana.

Attached is the said report.

Yours sincerely,

MATTHEW GYANG NKUM REGIONAL HEAD, B.A.R.

For: Ag. Chief Executive Officer

cc: Chief Executive Officer, FDA, Accra

REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONTRACT BETWEEN SNV NETHERLANDS DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION, GHANA AND FOOD AND DRUGS AUTHORITY, GHANA.

INTRODUCTION

Food and Drugs Authority, Ghana is a national regulatory body to regulate food, drugs, food supplements, herbal and homeopathic medicines, veterinary medicines, cosmetics, medical devices, household chemical substances, tobacco and tobacco products that are locally manufactured, imported, exported, distributed, sold, or used are safe, quality and efficacious to ensure the protection of the consumer as envisaged by the laws.

For these reasons, the Authority carries out various activities including inspections, registration of products, licensing of manufacturing and storage facilities, GMP training, public education etc. to ensure full compliances of the laws and also safe guard public health.

SNV Netherlands Development Organization, Ghana, is an international Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) contracted the Authority as a Business Development Consultant to work with the Increasing Performance of the Cassava Industry in West and Central Africa (IPCI-WCA), to undertake a Food Safety and Quality Management Training of One Hundred (100) workers of Asueyi Agro Processing Company Limited and licensing of Gari Roasting Facility constructed at Asueyi in Techiman in the Brong Ahafo Region.

The Authority drew up a work plan for the implementation of the said contract and was agreed by both partners.

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ACTION TAKEN

The contract was executed within the scheduled timeframe from 15th October to 30th November, 2017.

- 1. A meeting was held between FDA team and SNV Project Assistant and representative of Asueyi Agro Processing Company Limited at the project site at Asueyi in Techiman in the Brong Ahafo Region.
- 2. The Authority carried out pre-licensing audit at the roasting facility including all the other gari processing facilities to ascertain if the facility will support the safety of the finished products (gari) starting from peeling stations, washing bays, grating machines, fermentation baskets, dewatering machines, sifting and sieving, roasting, grading and storage.
- 3. A detailed inspection report was sent to Asueyi Agro Processing Company Limited and copies were also sent to SNV Netherlands Development Organization Ghana.
- 4. The training of the one hundred workers of Asueyi Agro Processing Company Limited was done on two occasions at Asueyi. The participants were trained on Good Manufacturing Practices and Personal Hygiene in connection with gari processing. Attached is a copy of the training materials used.
- 5. All the participants had been issued with certificate of participation which were signed by the CEO of the Authority.
- 6. The roasting facility at Asueyi had also been issued with manufacturing facility license certificate by the Authority.

RECOMMENDATION

1. The coordinators of the Asueyi Agro Processing Company Limited should monitor all the processes of the gari production among their member groups to ensure the safety and quality of their finished products.

CONCLUSION

The Authority (consultant) was able to fully execute the contract with SNV Netherlands Development Organization within an approved time frame.

MATTHEW GYANG NKUM

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