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Sustainable Agricultural Livelihood Restoration, Rehabilitation and Resilience in Kenya

Training Manual

2.3 MODULE 3

CROP PRODUCTION AND MANAGEMENT

Introduction

Crop production plays a significant role in economic development as a source of; Income, employment creation, and saving on foreign exchange earnings through export of produce. Crop production faces numerous challenges including: drought, unreliable and inadequate rainfall, desert locust invasions, among other challenges which make farmers increasingly vulnerable. Proper crop management practices can improve production and improve the overall livelihoods of farmers.

This module focuses on crop production of selected crops that can be grown in marginalised areas under rainfed as well as irrigated agriculture. The module is divided into the following sub-modules;

- Sub-Module 1: Crop value chains suited for ASAL agro-ecological zones
- Sub-Module 2: Cropping systems and technologies
- Sub-Module 3: Integrated pest and disease management
- Sub-Module 4: Harvest and post-harvest handling, management and marketing