

**(C5) Effectiveness of Agricultural Extension Programmes in reducing
Crisis in Ihorin West Local Government Area Kwara State, Nigeria**

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Abstract

It is obvious that as the population of Nigeria is increasing, the demand for food is also increase. Efforts are geared towards increasing food production through various programmes such as the National Accelerated Food Production Programme, Operation the Nation, Green Revolution, River Basin Development Authorities, Agricultural Development Projects, and the Directorate for Food, Roads and Rural Infrastructures. Study was carried out in Ihorin West Local Government Area of Kwara State. Two hundred farmers who participated in the programmes were randomly sampled. Descriptive inferential statistics were used to analyze the data collected. The study shows that 50% of the respondents considered the programmes quite useful, majority of the farmers got information on crop production from radio, television, resources persons, demonstration and farm visitation. Majority of the respondents' yields increased in Cowpea, Yam, and etc. when considering before and after participation in the programme. Bulletin and Papers were not significant to adoption response and sources of information while all programmes through monitoring and evaluation of all aspects of physical farm performance.

Key words : Effectiveness, Agricultural extension programme, Crop production, crises.

**(C6) Factors Influencing Agricultural Communication Network Among Women
Farmers In Bida Local Government Area Of Niger State**

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Abstract

This study examined the factors that influence agricultural communication network among women farmers in Bida Local Government Area of Niger state. Data were collected from eighty (80) women farmers from six (6) villages in the study area using structured