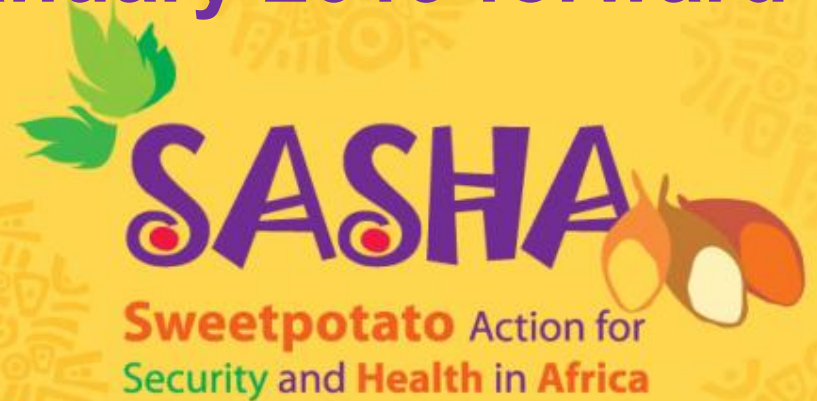


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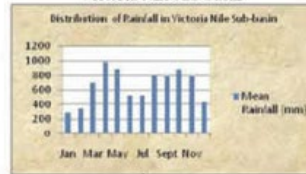
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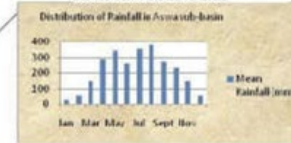
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- **GDP:** 25.9 Billion USD (World bank, 2018)

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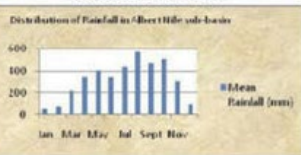
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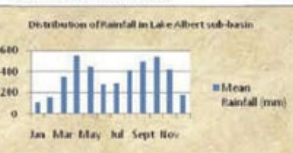
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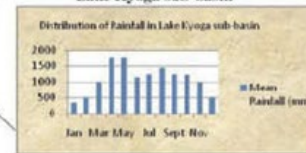
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Lake Albert sub-basin



Lake Kyoga sub-basin



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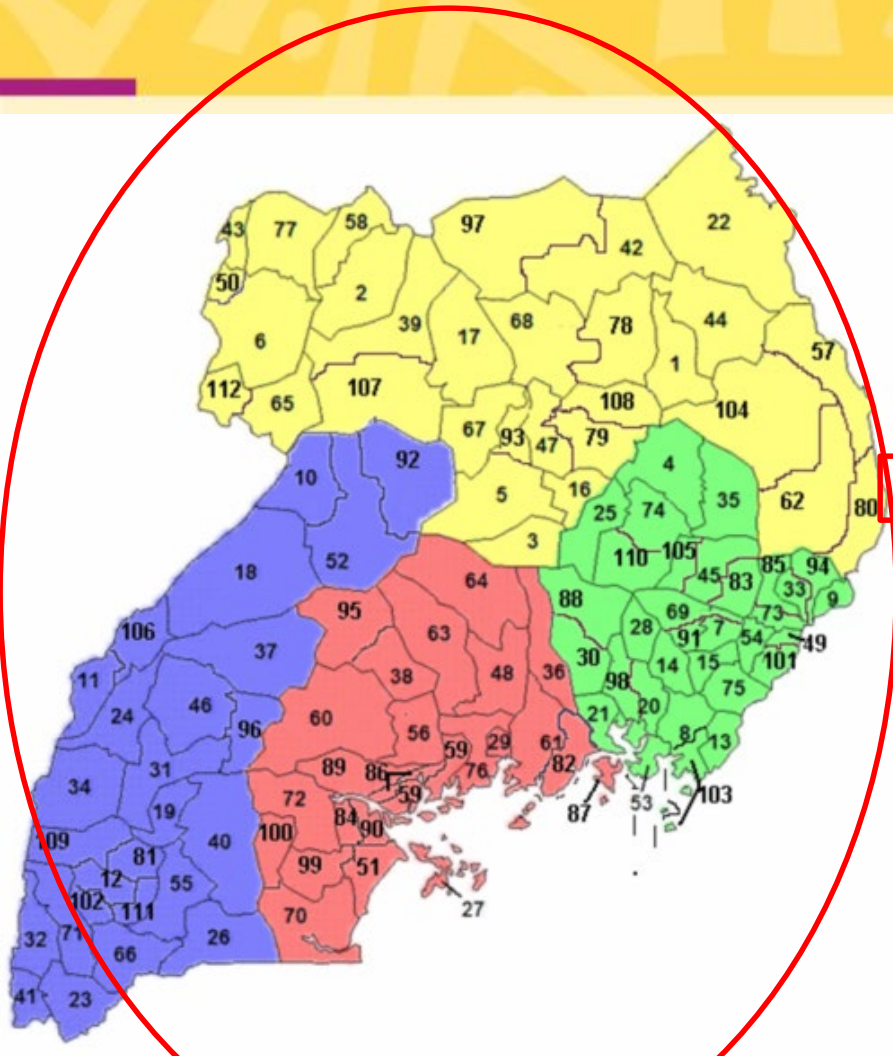
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Rainfall pattern:

- Bimodal: central, west and part of eastern region
- Unimodal: Northern region

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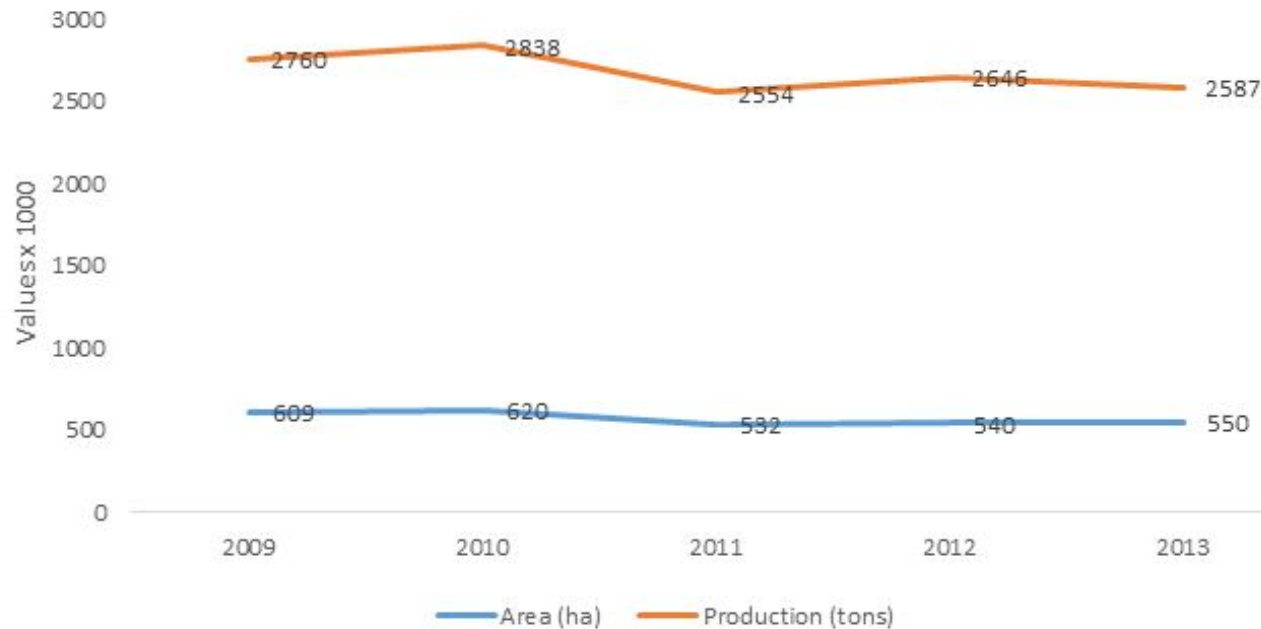


Company mandate:

- *Production and sale of vegetative seeds*

- Banana
- Cassava
- Potatoes
- Sweetpotato

- *Advisory services and training*



Staples of Uganda

1. Banana
2. Maize
3. Sweetpotato
4. Cassava

Figure 1: Five year production trends of sweetpotatoes in Uganda. Source: FAOSTAT⁹

Maintenance and bulking virus free vines



In vitro pre-basic production



Basic seed production

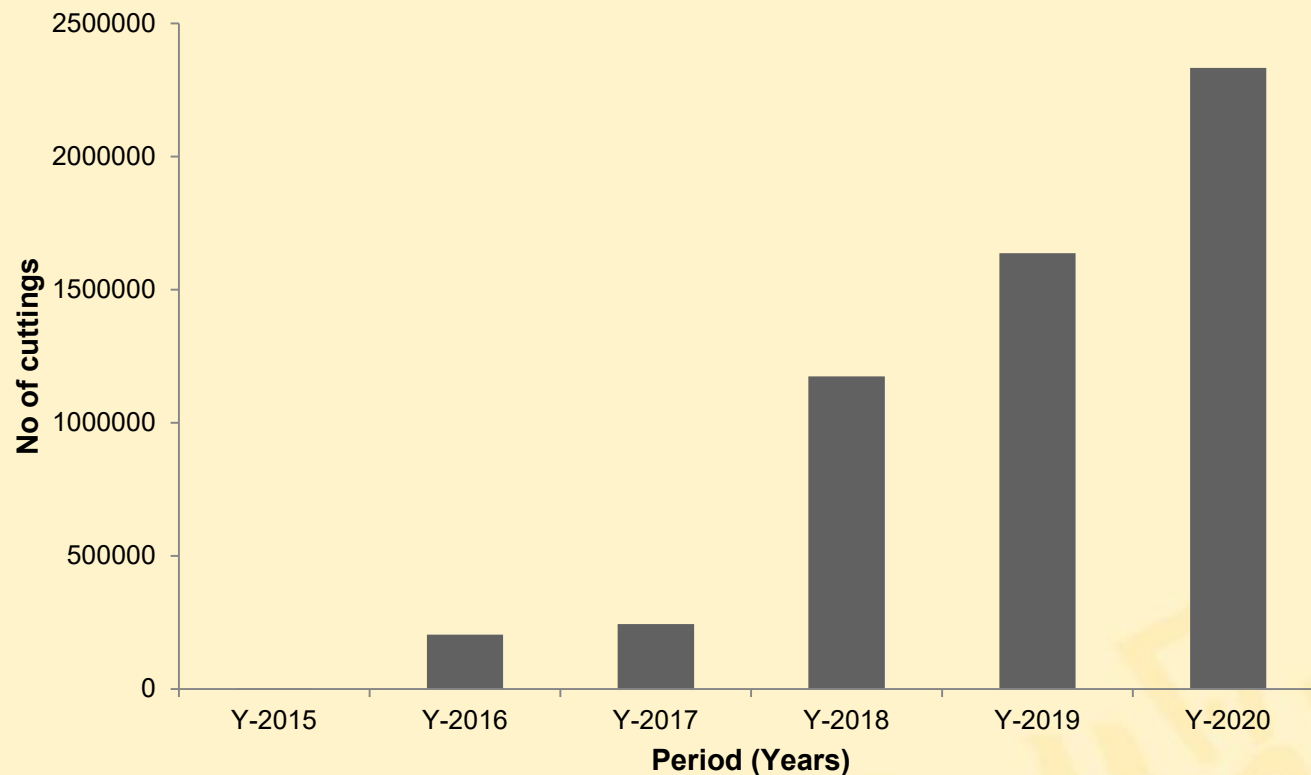


Quality control using
Ipomea sitosa

Varieties

1. Ejumula
2. Kabode
3. Kakamega
4. Vita
5. Naspot 8
6. Naspot 11
7. Naspot 12
8. Naspot 13

Production and trend



Progress with (TOWS) strategies to strengthen business plan



- Promotion campaigns
- Reduced cost of production
- Aligned budget to annual goals
- Established performance management & rewarding system.

Next steps with implementation of business plan



- Updating the business plan
- Updating costing at the different levels of production
- Demand projection
- Linking the lab to commercial root users
- Institutionalize the business strategies

Message of commitment from Head of Institution



- Comments on review of fact sheet & business plan continuity:
- **The profitability and sustainability of the vine business relies on an organised s/potato seed system and lucrative root usage**
- Expected production by 2020: **1,524,500 cuttings**