

THEMATIC DISCUSSION

GROUP 1

PARTICIPANTS

- CIVIL SOCIETY
- NGO'S
- EXTENSION SERVICE PROVIDERS
- TUSKEYS
- NAIVAS

TASK

- LINKING OFSP FARMERS TO THE MARKET



1. WHAT DO YOU CONSIDER AS
AN ACHIEVEMENT/GAME
CHANGING APPROACH IN THE
RECENT PAST

- PURCHASE OF VINE BY FARMERS
- CONTRACTUAL ENGAGEMENT ON VINE MULTIPLICATION AND ROOT PRODUCTION
- ORGANIZING FARMERS IN GROUPS FOR COLLECTIVE PRODUCTION AND MARKETING
- MARKET LINKAGE THROUGH FARMER BUYER FORUM

2. MAJOR CHALLENGE

- INCONSISTENT SUPPLY OF CRITICAL VOLUME OF THE RIGHT QUALITY FOR SUSTAINABILITY

3. WHAT NEEDS BE DONE DIFFERENTLY

- PROMOTING LARGE SCALE PRODUCTION UNDER FARMER GROUPS FOR INCREASED SUPPLY TO BUYERS
- ENGAGEMENT IN COMMERCIAL CONTRACTUAL FARMING
- PROCESSORS ALSO TO HAVE NUCLEOLUS FARMS

4. WHO NEEDS TO BE INVOLVED

- OFSP PROCESSING INVESTOR
- RESEARCHERS
- EXTENSION SERVICE ADVISORY
- REGULATORY BODIES (STANDARDS AND QUALITY)
- PRODUCERS/FARMERS
- GOVERNMENT AGENCIES
- NGO
- FINANCIAL SERVICE PROVIDERS
- ICT