



Update Report on Pest Management As at 27 January 2017

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Activity	Quantity	Remark
Rearing of fall armyworm (<i>Spodoptera frugiperda</i>)	-	Research initiated to study the biology and ecology of the pest under local conditions.
Advisory	3 samples	Maize (2) samples were received. Fall armyworm (<i>Spodoptera frugiperda</i>) was identified. 2 kg of Carbaryl 85% WP was issued for spraying. Tomato plant (1) sample was received. Tomato leaf miner (<i>Tuta absoluta</i>) identified and client advised on management.
African Armyworm (<i>Spodoptera exempta</i>)	-	No outbreak reported.
Positive forecast for armyworm outbreak	2 samples	Received from Mukumbura (Mashonaland Central) and Gokwe Central (Midlands)
Distribution of Carbaryl 85% WP and Karate	1 240 kg Carbaryl 85% WP and 460 L of Karate	Total amount so far distributed to areas with positive forecasts as a contingency measure during this season.
Training: Jointly between Plant Protection Research Institute and Plant Quarantine Services Institute	20 participants	AGRITEX staff from 7 districts of Matabeleland Provinces were trained on fall armyworm biology, management and crop damage assessment.