Evaluation of the viability and sustainability of cassava micro processing centers established in Nigeria

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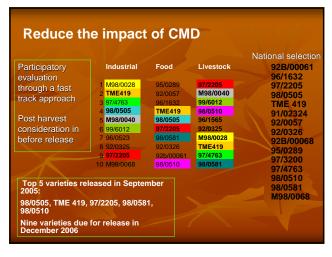


Project Objectives

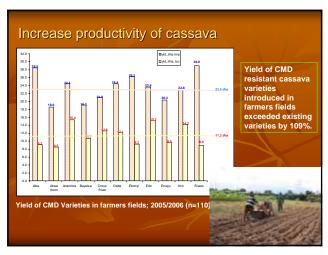
- 1. To mitigate the impact of Cassava Mosaic Disease and prevent its spread throughout Nigeria and West Africa through diversification, participatory evaluation, multiplication and distribution of CMD-resistant germplasm to farmers
- 2. To increase cassava productivity through deployment and promotion of improved germplasm, soil amendments, integrated pest management options and other proven 'best bet' practices
- 3. Develop and expand post-harvest processing and storage, and marketing outlets for cassava products to increase incomes and improve livelihoods in rural areas.









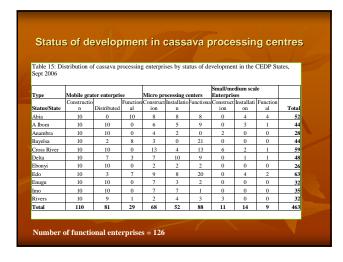








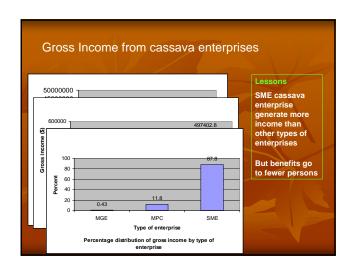


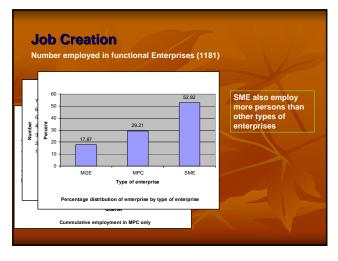


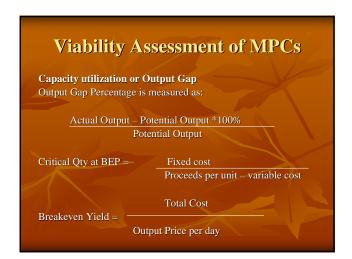












	MPC	Date Sta.	Prod. Days	Down Time	Output/tonnes		Cap. Utilz	All MPC's are
					Actual	Potential	(%) (Output Gap)	producing at excess capacity
- Akwa Ibom	Ikot Evo	2004	260	130	98.8	148.2	33,33	and have not been able to reach their installed capacit Mean number of days without production per year = 77 days per plant
	Ikot Obionso	2005	259	53	97,643	117,624	16.99	
	Afia Nsit Udua	2006	18	60	2.016	8.736	76.92	
	Okop Ndua Erong	2006	71	7	8.52	9.36	8.97	
- Cross River	Kobi Farm	2005	120	10	30	32.5	7.69	
	Ukpah Bekwarra	2005	69	87	0.552	1.248	55.77	
	Okpoma, Yala	2005	125	135	1.25	2.6	51.92	
	Okurikang, Odukpani	2005	152	146	0.608	1.192	48.99	
	Iyamoyong - Obubra	2005	182	104	546	858	36.36	
	Kanyang, Boki	2005	111	107	27.75	54.5	49.08	
- Abia	Ossah Ibeku	2005	197	115	137.9	218.4	36.86	
	Umuabali, Umuahia	2005	80	2	40	41	2.44	
	Osisioma Ngwa	2005	34	44	4.25	9.75	56.41	
	Amaoji, Isiala Ngwa	2005	112	96	16.8	31.2	46.15	
- Delta	Okuoke Elume	2006	32	32	19.2	38.4	50.00	Only 44 percent of enterprises had a positive gross margin an are breaking even
	Abavo	2005	56	60	6.4064	13.2704	51.72	
	Ozoro	2005	120	34	240	308	22.08	
	Bomadi	2006	49	107	27.44	87.36	68.59	
	Kpakiama	2006	62	34	78.12	120.96	35.42	
	Drena Farms - Edjekota	2006	25	131	9.75	60.84	83.97	
	Kokori	2005	22	40	1.1	3.1	64.52	
	Otor-Iyede	2005	39	161	19.5	100	80.50	



Conclusions Intensify capacity and training activities to inculcate the enterprise culture among groups and eliminate group disaffection Further improvements in machinery maintenance required to reduce downtime Discourage dependency on project through an effective weaning and exit strategy process Promote SME development to improve income and employment

