

GINGER BLIGHT EPIDEMIC CONTROL TASKFORCE

EMERGENCY **TECHNICAL** & RECOVERY & RESEARCH

CAPACITY & PRODUCTIVITY

& INDUSTRY

ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS (DONE)

- List of Plateau State Farmers affected by the ginger blight epidemic received from Plateau State Ministry of Agriculture and shared with NEMA.
- IITA is supporting the development of GAP tools: IITA team is currently conducting an assessment and will share draft protocols for review and feedback by the week of 19th February 2024.
- Secretariat has been in touch with all teams and respective Chairpersons, following up on planned activities, inter-group liaisons, and providing support.
- Secretariat has shortlisted state radio stations that would be contacted for dissemination of messages in English and local languages.
- Press conference scheduled for 20th February (to be confirmed) by the Honourable Minister of Agriculture & Food Security – Hon. Abubakar Kyari
- Emergency & Recovery committee (through NEMA) is finalising the budget for food relief intervention to affected farmers. Awaiting the receipt of data from Technical & Research committee to prepare the budget for recovery items.
- Secretariat has commenced development of the GBECT online portal/website.

PRIORITIES (PENDING)

- Honourable Commissioners requested to submit names of affected farmers for the preparation of budgets and verification activities with NEMA. List received from Plateau state only.
- Technical & Research committee to provide a technical position on the outbreak so that it can be reviewed and made ready for publication at the press conference on 20th February.

Technical & Research committee (through NASC) to provide seed map for 2024 season including list of companies and institutions that have clean seed available, with respective quantities available.



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