

The Impact of HIV and AIDS on Agriculture and Food Security in the SADC Region

From Research to Action

Methodology:

- To revisit the Policy recommendations
- To identify research areas that can add value

Recommendations:

- To monitor the situation in regular basis
- To put in place an AIDS warning system
- To come up with appropriate agricultural technologies
- To build up capacity for the community

Recommendations:

- To develop a transmission system of information, including:
 - the dissemination of information available to farmers
 - strengthening the awareness in the rural area
 - being creative

Recommendations:

- To develop support services
- To improve the targeting through quantified vulnerability data
- To identify and to develop
 - a tool for targeting
 - different programs for different levels of family vulnerability

Recommendations:

- For avoiding free food service abuse
 - To involve the community in targeting
 - To involve the community in
 - care services
 - implementing the programs
 - monitoring the program
 - To develop different packages for different vulnerability levels

Recommendations:

- To pick up the equity issues as real and critical issues
- To consider the drivers of HIV
- To recommend off-farm income generating activities
- To match the assistance with the vulnerability problem

Recommendations:

- To make farming attractive
- To complement farm income generation
- To undertake further studies on rural areas
- To address and quantify the impact on the extension workers & teachers
- To build capacity for women extensionists targeting women farmers
- To strengthen the farmer to farmer sharing experiences

Thank you for listening