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AMENDMENT TO TERMS OF REFERENCE

Technical Assistant Team (TAT) – Standards and Sanitary & Phytosanitary (SPS) Interventions Under the EU-Funded Business Environment and Export Enhancement Programme (BEEEP) Implemented by TradeMark Africa (TMA) Duration: 2 Years

Scope of Work (Additional)

The Technical Assistant Team will undertake the following key tasks:

A. Regulatory Compliance and SPS Measures

- Provide technical assistance to KEPHIS and AFA-HCD in implementing the systems approach for pest control, including development of pest risk management strategies and audit support.
- Support Kenya's preparedness and response to EU audits and inspections, especially on compliance with the EU False Codling Moth (FCM) regulation
- Assist in the development and review of phytosanitary protocols, inspection guidelines, and manuals.

B. Food Safety and Pesticide Residue Control

- Collaborate with PCPB to review and strengthen Kenya's pesticide regulation framework.
- Establish a monitoring system for pesticide residue levels in horticultural produce for export.
- Promote awareness of banned, restricted, or unregistered substances and alternatives such as biopesticides.

C. Traceability and Digital Systems

- Support the design and rollout of a digital traceability platform for registering and tracking production sites, exporters, and packhouses.
- Work with stakeholders to ensure data integrity, interoperability with EU requirements, and integration with inspection and certification workflows.

D. Capacity Building and Training

- Design and implement a national capacity building programme on SPS measures, good agricultural practices (GAP), food hygiene, and post-harvest handling.
- Develop training modules and conduct workshops for inspectors, extension officers, producer groups, and exporters.

E. Certification and Private Standards Support

- Facilitate uptake of private voluntary standards such as Global GAP, BRCGS, Fairtrade, Rainforest Alliance, among others.
- Provide technical assistance for pre-certification readiness, internal audits, and coordination with certifying bodies.

4 Composition and Qualifications of the Technical Assistant Team (TAT)

Position	Additional Responsibilities	Key	Minimum Qualifications
Firm Experience	Remain as per initial TOR		Remove requirement on number of years of existence (this is to accommodate consortiums) Experience required for implementation of similar project in Kenya or similar contexts in Africa
Lead Technical Advisor – Standards & SPS	Lead overall implementation and coordination; stakeholder engagement; regulatory alignment		PhD or MSc in Food Safety, Agriculture, or related fields; 10+ years relevant experience
Plant Health Expert	Support pest risk analysis, FCM and fruit fly surveillance; systems approach audits		MSc in Plant Health, Entomology, or Phytosanitary Sciences; 7+ years experience
Food Safety Expert	Oversee food safety and pesticide compliance activities		MSc in Food Science, Chemistry, or Toxicology; 7+ years experience
Voluntary Standards & Certification Specialist	Lead traceability system development and certification support; Develop training materials and deliver national training programme		Bsc Agribusiness, or Food Systems; 5+ years experience in certification systems in the private sector

Deliverables and Performance Indicators (additional)

Deliverable	Indicator	Timeline
Systems approach audit report for FCM compliance	Audit completed and submitted to KEPHIS/EU	April 2025
National traceability system designed and piloted	Platform functional and at least 250 sites registered	Year 1
Capacity building workshops conducted	At least 10 workshops and 500 personnel trained	Annual
MRL and pesticide compliance reports	Annual risk assessment and residue analysis shared	Year 1 & 2
Certified exporters under PVS	At least 50 new certifications facilitated	Annual

No further clarification/s requests will be received from 24/03/2025.

We sincerely apologize for the inconvenience caused due to this delay.

**Yours sincerely,
Head of Procurement,
TradeMark Africa.**