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Outline

Cashew Value Chain Actors

Major Government Policies

Investment in the Cashew Sector

Plans for the Cashew Sector.

Cashew Value chain

The Ghanaian cashew sector mainly involves;

- 1. Input providers
- 2. Research institution (Cocoa Research Institute of Ghana, CRIG.)
- 3. National umbrella body Cashew Council Ghana (CCG)
 - a. Nursery operators
 - b. Producers
 - c. Traders
 - d. Exporters
 - e. Processors

Cashew Value chain

1. CSOs

2. NGOs

- 3. A legally mandated Public regulatory body
 - Tree Crops Development Authority (TCDA)

Major Policy Interventions

- Establishment of the TCDA to regulate and develop the cashew sector
- 2. Formalization of value chain associations

3. Introduction of producer pricing mechanism

 Increasing area under cultivation through distribution of over 5million improved planting material to farmers

Investments in the Cashew

- 1. Investments into warehousing and logistics
- 2. Credit and technical support to cashew value chain actors.
- 3. Expansion of seed gardens and scion banks
- 4. Capacity building for actors
- 5. Increasing installed processing capacity and supporting existing processing facilities to utilize installed capacities.

Short- and Medium-Term Plan

Short term

- Fully Operationalize the TCDA
- Finalise the five-year strategic Plan
- Get the regulation passed by parliament
- Expand area under cultivation from 223000 Ha to 300,000 Ha to produce 300,000 MT

Short- and Medium-Term Plan

- Continue capacity building programs for actors
- Complete Registration of all actors
- Support value addition

Medium term

- Production and Value Chain Support
 - ✓ Provision of subsidy for in-country value addition
 - ✓ Support fabrication of machinery for value addition

 Development of a robust ICT system to capture and manage database of value chain actors.

 Establishment of dedicated cashew Research and Innovations center

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