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Sanitary & Phytosanitary Measures In Production & Processing For Trade (Livestock & Livestock Products)



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Introduction (1)

- **Food safety & security are a global concern:**
 - ✓ Pests and diseases are emerging and re-emerging
 - ✓ Access to markets is competitive
 - ✓ Population is increasing
 - ✓ Resources are scarce
- Requirements of International Standard Setting Organizations must be met (OIE, IPPC & Codex). However, standards represent a partial solution; **challenges and opportunities posed by standards can be better addressed by strengthening public and private capacities to manage food safety and agricultural health risks.**
- Holistic, cohesive and evidence based decision making is required.

Introduction (2)

- Nigeria livestock resource in 2010 was estimated at 13,885,813 Cattle; 34,453,724 Goats, 22,092,602 Sheep; 3,406,381 Pigs and 104,347,960 Poultry (FAOSTAT 2010).
- A 2011 survey of dairy industry in Nigeria showed there were 16 million heads of cattle of which 85% were managed by 12 million indigenous pastoralists; over 415 grazing reserves exist all of which are grossly underdeveloped & about N75 billion was spent annually on importation of milk (Department of Animal Production and Health, University of Agriculture, Abeokuta, Nigeria, 2011).
- National Bureau of Statistics Q1 GDP report for 2015 showed that agricultural sector GDP grew by 7.44 % (Year-on-Year) in the first Quarter of 2015; Crop and livestock production subsectors were the drivers with growth share of 73.73% and 17.73% respectively

Livestock



- Entered into force with the establishment of the World Trade Organization (WTO) on 1 January 1995.
- Requires that **SPS measures be applied only to the extent necessary to protect human, animal or plant life or health & is based on scientific principles**
- Consists of 14 Articles and 3 Annexes.
 - ✓ Annex A - Definitions
 - ✓ Annex B - Transparency of Sanitary & Phytosanitary Regulations
 - ✓ Annex C - Control, Inspection & approval Procedures.

Highlights on SPS Measures Agreement (1)

- Article 3- Harmonization
 - ✓ recognition and **application of common SPS measures** by members
- Article 5 - Risk Assessment & Determination of Appropriate level of SPS protection
 - ✓ Evaluation of **the likelihood of entry, establishment or spread** of pest or disease within the territory of an importing country
- Article 6 – Adaptation to Regional Conditions Including Pest or Disease-free Areas
 - ✓ All of **the country or part of the country**, identified by the competent authorities, in which a specific pest or disease does not occur (i.e. regional control measures such as establishment of protection, surveillance and buffer zones to confine or eradicate pest or disease)

Highlights on SPS Measures Agreement (2)

- Article 7 – Transparency
 - ✓ Notify changes in SPS measures & provide information on SPS measures
 - Establish a National Notification Authority (NNA)
 - Establish National SPS Enquiry Points

- Article 8 – Control, Inspection & Approval Procedures
 - ✓ Members should ensure that procedures to check fulfilment of SPS measures:
 - Are undertaken & completed without undue delay
 - Completeness of documentation is examined & applicant, upon request, is informed on the anticipated processing period
 - Fees charged for procedures on imported products are equitable to that for like domestic products and should not be higher than actual cost of service

Highlights on SPS Measures Agreement (3)

- Article 9 – Technical Assistance
 - ✓ Technical assistance to developing country Members:
 - bilaterally or through appropriate international organizations in the areas of processing technologies, research & infrastructure
 - Where substantial investments are required for the exporting developing country Member to meet the SPS requirements of the Importing country Member, the latter shall consider providing such TA to the developing country Member to enable her maintain & expand its market access opportunities for the product involved.

Highlights on SPS Measures Agreement (4)

- Article 10 – Special & Differential Treatment
 - ✓ Application of SPS measures shall take into account the special needs of developing country members:
 - Longer time-frames for compliance so as to maintain opportunities for export
 - Specific time-limited exceptions, upon request, taking into account financial, trade and development needs.

Transparency Obligation

Members are obliged to:

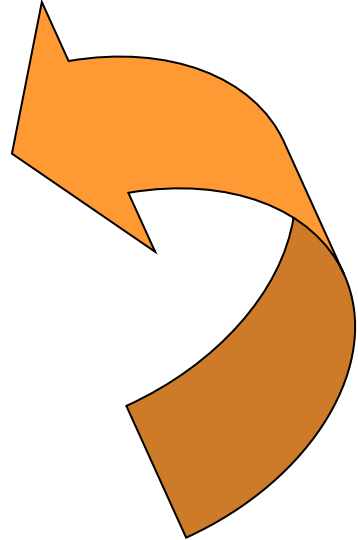
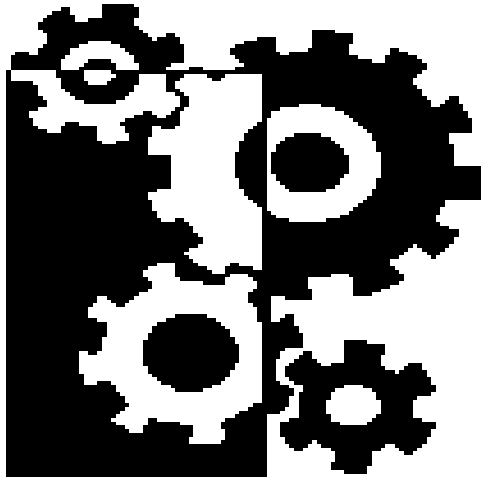
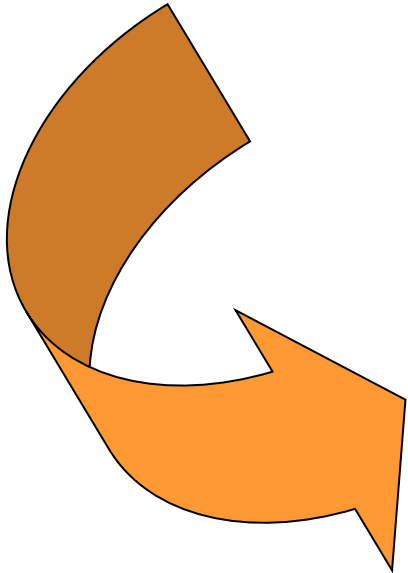
- Publish SPS Regulations
- Establish Enquiry Points
- Designate a Notification Authority
- Notify draft SPS Regulations that may have a significant effect on trade of other members

Article 7, Annex B
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Transparency Timeline



Enquiry Point



Other government bodies
Private sector
Geneva mission
OIE, Codex, and IPPC
WTO Secretariat

NNA & SPS Enquiry Points In Nigeria

One(1) National Notification Authority & three(3) Enquiry Points namely:

- Federal Ministry of Industry Trade & Investment - National Notification Authority (NNA)
- Department of Livestock, FMARD – Animal related issues (SPS-EP)
- Nigeria Agriculture Quarantine Service (NAQS) - Plant related issues (SPS-EP)
- National Agency for Food & Drug Administration & Control (NAFDAC) - Food safety related issues (SPS-EP)

Obligation:

Provide answers and documentation to all reasonable questions from interested Members

Other Roles:

- Collect/disseminate SPS information
 - ✓ SPS documents
 - ✓ SPS notifications received that could affect exports
- Inform other government agencies & private sector
- Coordinate comments on other countries' notifications

Roles of SPS Enquiry Points (2)

If an SPS regulation has an impact on exports:

- Ask for text of proposed regulation
- Provide comments - ask for explanation
- Bilateral efforts
- Raise issue in the SPS Committee
- Use good offices of the Chair
- Use OIE / IPPC mediation procedures
- Initiate dispute settlement procedures

What Are SPS Measures? (1)

- SPS measures are regulations, guidelines and provisions to safeguard human, animal and plant life or health applied in compliance with international standards
- They may include:
 - ✓ Test requirements
 - ✓ Production procedures
 - ✓ Processing requirements
 - ✓ Inspection procedures
 - ✓ Certification procedures
 - ✓ Quarantine/ confinements
 - ✓ Sampling procedures
 - ✓ HACCP
 - ✓ Risk assessment



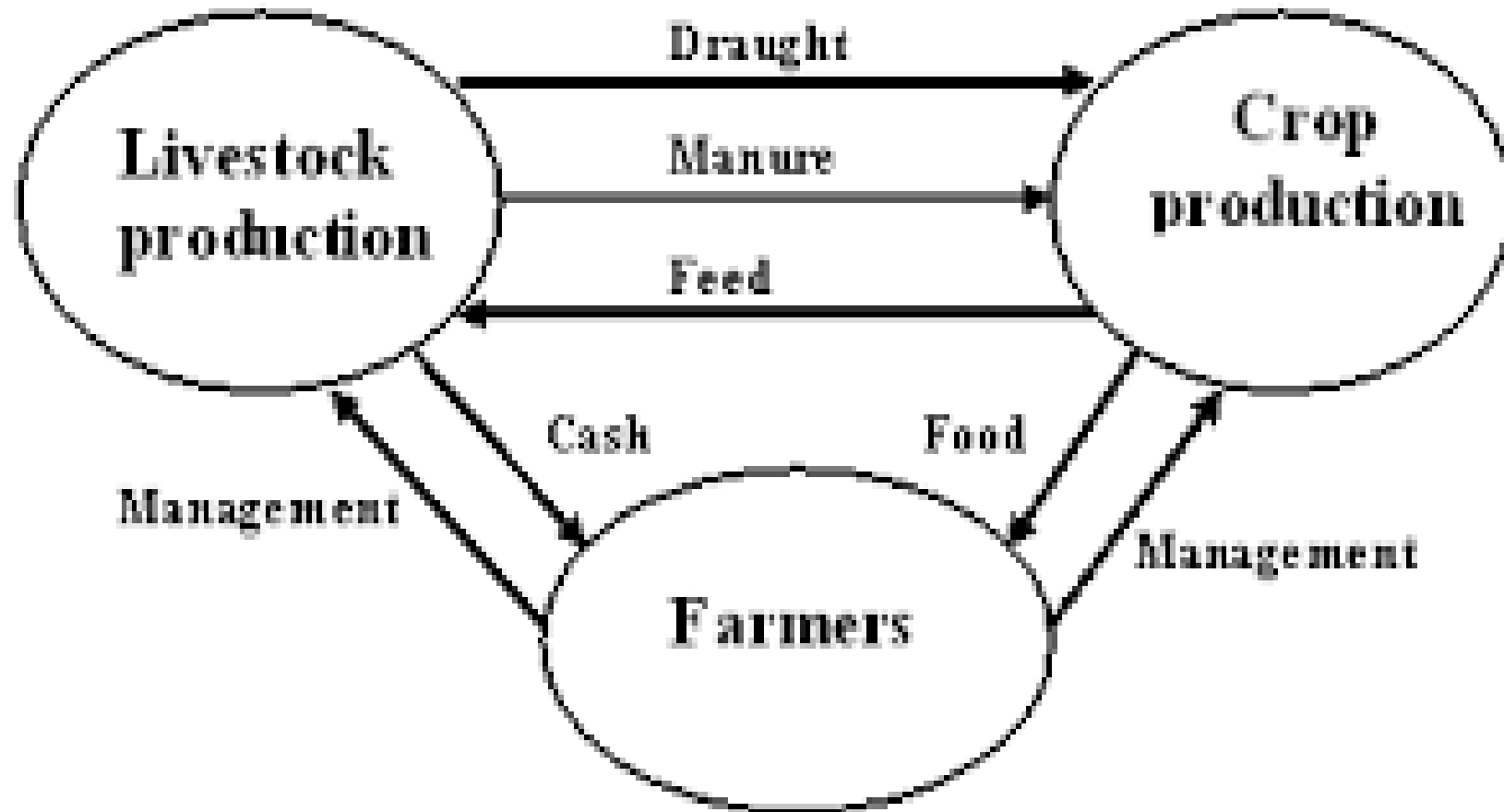
What Are SPS Measures? (2)

- ✓ **Harmonized agricultural and livestock policies and legislation that:**
 - support the availability of veterinary services at the producer level, through market channels, and at abattoirs and export gathering points.
 - provide a seamless approach to veterinary service delivery, making use of federal, state and private veterinarians as recommended by OIE
- ✓ **Infrastructure & sustained training for a more robust local and federal veterinary service that supports surveillance, diagnostics and trade certification in-country as well as for export markets**

What Are SPS Measures? (3)

- ✓ Improved livestock **disease control** to support livestock value chain
- ✓ **Disease surveillance** at the producer level with farmer training in disease recognition called “syndromic surveillance,”
- ✓ **Strengthening SPS laboratories** to support surveillance, trade and food safety
- ✓ **Strategic plans** and support from agencies such as AU-IBAR, USAID etc.

Livestock Production



- **Application of OIE standards to Livestock & Livestock Products :**
 - ✓ World Organization for Animal Health Terrestrial Animals Health Code (2014)
 - Animal disease diagnosis surveillance & notification
 - Risk Analysis
 - Quality of veterinary services
 - Disease prevention & control
 - Trade measures, import/export procedures & veterinary certification
 - Animal welfare
 - ✓ Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals (2013)

- **Application of Relevant Codex Guidelines & Codes of Practice to Livestock & Livestock Products :**
 - ✓ Codex Classification of Foods & Animal Feeds (1993)
 - ✓ Code of Hygiene Practice for Eggs & Egg Products (CAC/RCP 15 – 1976)
 - ✓ Code Of Hygienic Practice For Meat (CAC/RCP 58-2005)
 - ✓ Code Of Hygienic Practice For Milk & Milk Products (CAC/RCP 57-2004)
 - ✓ Code Of Practice On Good Animal Feeding (CAC/RCP 54-2004)
 - ✓ Guidelines For The Control Of *Campylobacter* and *Salmonella* In Chicken Meat (CAC/GL 78-2011)
 - ✓ Guidelines For The Control Of *Trichinella Spp.* In Meat of Suidae (CAC/GL 86-2015)
 - ✓ Guidelines For The Control Of *Taenia saginata* In Meat Of Domestic Cattle (CAC/GI 85-2014)

Conclusion

- International trade in high-value food products has expanded enormously over the last decades, fueled by changing consumer tastes and advances in production, transport, and other supply-chain technologies.
- For well-prepared countries and suppliers, rising standards represent an opportunity but for those that are poorly prepared, they pose risks related to safety and market access.
- Increasingly stringent SPS standards for high-value food products & high cost of compliance may present a barrier to trade;

However

- They have provided the catalyst and incentives for modernization of export supply and regulatory systems; and
- Enabled the adoption of safer and more sustainable production practices.



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