



Grenada

Significant achievements in 2010

- The Institute provided eighteen agri-entrepreneurs, including members of the national chapter of the Caribbean Agribusiness Association (CABA), with the capability to produce compost manure, and the record-keeping skills necessary to assist in the management of small agribusinesses. These activities were conducted with assistance from Grenada Solid Waste Management Authority (GSWMA) and St. George's University (SGU). Two of the agri-entrepreneurs have since become engaged in the commercial production of compost manure.
- The technical capabilities of five greenhouse farmers and five agricultural extension trainees were enhanced thanks to the training they received in greenhouse technology and to the field trips made possible by IICA and the Ministry of Agriculture (MoA).
- IICA organized a national forum on organic agriculture and agricultural policy. As a result 36 participants, including: farmers, agro-processors, farm input suppliers and representatives of farmers' organizations, the Grenada Bureau of Standards and the MoA's Planning, Extension and Research Divisions have become more aware of, and more responsive to, the demand for organically produced foods.
- An IICA initiative enhanced the MoA's capability to facilitate the development of organic agricultural production in the country, which resulted in the formation of an *ad hoc* Technical Committee comprising technicians from the MoA, IICA, the Grenada Bureau of Standards (GDBS), the Marketing and National Importing Board (MNIB), and others.
- With IICA's technical support in implementing an externally-funded project, the national chapter of CABA produced and packaged a quantity of compost manure which, together with other CABA products, was displayed during the Agricultural Exhibition and Trade Show, held during the Ninth Caribbean Week of Agriculture

(CWA). Similarly, significant quantities of agro-processed products were produced and packaged by the national chapter of the Caribbean Network of Rural Women Producers (CANROP) thanks to the implementation of an externally funded project supported by IICA. Many of these products were also exhibited and sold during the CWA.

- IICA promoted enhanced leadership skills and capabilities of the leaders of three rural groups: the national chapters of CABA, CAFY and CANROP. A total of 15 executive members representing the three rural groups participated in a leadership skills workshop, which has allowed them to perform their duties more effectively.
- IICA increased the technical capabilities and networking capacity of representatives of the national chapters of CABA, CAFY, and CANROP (a total of 25 members) who participated in three technical and institution-building workshops as well as many formal and informal experience-sharing activities undertaken with participants from other participating Caribbean IICA member countries, during the CWA.