



Achievements 2022

Grenada



- The Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA) supported the Ministry of Agriculture in evaluating its safeguarding systems through an analysis of the National Emergency Response Plan (ERP) that deals with the tomato leaf miner (*Tuta absoluta*). This was achieved through the engagement of key stakeholders in a tabletop simulation exercise supported by the Greater Caribbean Safeguarding Initiative (GCSI) project implemented by IICA. Thirty stakeholders participated in the exercise and are now better equipped to activate a full-scale response should pests of this nature, which can cause major damage to the agriculture sector, reach Grenada.
- Fifteen beekeepers in Grenada strengthened their capacities through a workshop on queen rearing, disease management, and monitoring of queen stock. The workshop was delivered by two apiculture experts from Argentina. The presentations on the different topics were well received by local beekeepers, as demonstrated by the high level of participation during the question-and-answer sessions. The purpose of the visit by the Argentine apiculture experts was to better understand issues relating to apiculture in Grenada, assist in the formulation of the API-Caribe Phase 2 Project, as well as provide Grenadian beekeepers with training on queen rearing, disease management of hives, and monitoring of queen stock.
- IICA collaborated with CARDI to conduct the first training session on a composting site that was established in 2021 at the CARDI Field Station within the framework of IICA's Bioeconomy Program. The purpose of this composting site is to train farmers and backyard gardeners on the science of composting. The Institute collaborated with CARDI to deliver a training session for twenty members of the Grenada Backyard Gardeners Network Initiative (BGNI), which allowed for improving their theoretical knowledge of and practical skills related to compost production.
- The Latin American Rural Extension Services Network (RELASER), which is hosted by IICA, is implementing the Last Mile Project in Grenada through the Grenada Country Forum. A four-day training course on animal husbandry was delivered to extension officers and farmers. The training course transferred knowledge and skills to enable extension agents to effectively and efficiently assist livestock farmers in matters related to climate-smart and sustainable livestock farming practices. Approximately 23 extension staff and farmers participated in the course over the four-day period.

