



What are some of the Field Projects?

Some of the field projects undertaken by CDSS are:

- Black Sigatoka Disease DEMO plots across Guyana.
- Production of citrus with chicken manure.
- Plastic mulching on white sand.
- Legume production using inoculum.
- Control of Anthracnose in solanaceous crops
- Increase production of pineapples in specific areas with women and youth
- Farmer field school on specific crops development
- Growing Cole crops under shade at schools and farmer groups
- Hydroponics at schools and institutions



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What is CDSS?

CDSS means Crop Development & Support Services.

Mandate of CDSS

CDSS is mandated to promote greater efficiency in the crops and agricultural product industry, by providing enhanced services in Agricultural Extension and related functions.

What are some of the Objectives of CDSS?

- To transfer new farming technologies to farmers, which benefits the **OTHER CROPS** sector across Guyana.
- Distribution of inputs to support production which includes seeds, fertilizers, chemicals, planting materials, acoushi ant bait, tool & equipment among others.
- Data Collection

What is the Focus of the Department?

The focus of Crop Development & Support Services (CDSS) is to promote and support the diversification and expansion of new crops while addressing crop issues through information sharing on best practices, and new technologies to farmers and stakeholders with the aim of increasing production and achieving food and nutrition security in Guyana.

Importantly, when extension staff is confronted with issues during interaction with the farmers during visits, the findings or samples are passed on to the Researchers at NAREI with information on the challenges experienced by farmers.

In the absence of immediately available solutions, the Researchers conduct research programs both at research stations and on-farm with farmers where the findings will be communicated to the farmers for implementation and adoption.

To address diversification, CDSS provides technical assistance in terms of farm planning, pest and disease identification, and management, as well as information on the value chain to complement the grants and assistance that are provided by the Agriculture Sector Development Unit (ASDU).

CDSS' capacity is also strengthened through training and farmers' exchange programs.

This Department is divided into four sections:

- Coastal Extension Services
- Hinterland Extension Services
- Training
- Support to the nurseries and other departments where seeds, seedlings, and other inputs are disseminated to farmers.

What are some of the Services Offered?

Here are some of the things our department does:

- Farmers' Field School
- Demonstration Plots
- Farmers' Training
- Farm visit
- Exhibition
- Farmers' Clinics
- Outreach Programs
- Rendering technical advice to Schools, and other institutions, as well as careers guidance
- Farm data collection
- Farmers Group Formation
- Distribution of Agricultural inputs to farmers among others.
- You can get prompt and reliable technical advice on crop production.
- On-farm soil and water sampling free of cost.
- Advice and guidance on crop loss due to adverse climate conditions.
- On-farm diagnostic of pest and diseases, with an immediate recommendation.
- Issuing of Filter press permits.