

Consultancy: Review of the joint crop-livestock clinics' operation guidelines

Timeline: June 2025



This assignment is perfect for someone looking to apply their experience and Knowledge within an organisation that is focused on helping to deliver 8 of the Sustainable Development Goals: (1) No Poverty; (2) Zero Hunger; (3) Quality Education; (5) Gender Equality; (12) Responsible Consumption and Production; (13) Climate Action; (15) Life on Land; and (17) Partnerships for the Goals.

We live in a world where the demand for multiple land uses constantly rises, and climate change places additional stress on the sustainable use of natural resources. While solutions to issues such as hunger and poverty are now within our reach, how we act today will make a big difference to how we live tomorrow.

Introduction and background

CABI envisions a world in which women, youth, and marginalised communities are included in agriculture, and become key to ensuring equity, increasing participation in agribusiness, and reducing youth unemployment; promoting livelihood improvement; increasing production and reducing poverty. CABI's *Medium-Term Strategy (2023-25)* pursues five major goals: 1. Improve the food security and livelihoods of smallholder communities. 2. Help communities adapt to the impacts of climate change. 3. Reduce inequality through better opportunities for rural women and youth 4. Safeguard biodiversity and support the sustainable use of natural resources 5. Increase the reach, application, and impact of science in agriculture and the environment.

Starting in 2021 in Uganda, CABI and partners have established joint crop-livestock clinics - a novel type of farmer service that explores 'One Health synergies and benefits' of joint croplivestock services to address major production and health constraints that farmers face in their field crops and animals. The long-term vision of the project is to contribute to improved health and livelihoods of farming communities through effective One Health (OH) action. The joint clinics are currently operating in six districts: Central Uganda (Buikwe, Kayunga, Luwero, Mukono) and Western (Hoima, Kagadi), and the project expanded to Kenya in 2022 in three counties: Trans Nzoia, Baringo, and Elgeyo Marakwet.

Integrated crop-livestock services have the potential to enhance service delivery. Additionally, a pilot tested the following assumptions using a stepwise approach to learn and gather evidence about these aspects:

- cost efficiency in reaching more farmers with existing resources that are cost-saving for farmers
- cross-sectoral synergies such as knowledge, learning, and action
- long-term impact on production, health, and welfare outcomes

By sharing knowledge and science, CABI tackles global issues like poverty, hunger, education, equality, sustainability, climate change and biodiversity. We do this by helping farmers grow more and lose less of what they produce, combating threats to agriculture and the environment from pests and diseases, protecting natural habitats from invasive species, and improving access to scientific knowledge.

CABI is an international, intergovernmental, not-for-profit organization that improves people's lives worldwide by providing information and applying scientific expertise to solve problems in agriculture and the environment. Our approach involves putting information, skills and tools into people's hands. CABI's 49 Member Countries guide and influence our work which is delivered by scientific staff based in our global network of centres.

CABI is committed to making a difference, playing its part in creating a brighter, more equitable and sustainable future.

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Purpose of the Consultancy

The purpose of this consultancy is to review draft joint clinics operation guidelines developed by the project implementation team. These guidelines are intended to support the scale-out of the joint clinic approach to other districts beyond the initial project location. The final version is expected to be adopted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Industry, and Fisheries (MAAIF) to facilitate the sharing of lessons and experiences from the project and promote the wider adoption by the various district extension staff and other stakeholders within Uganda and beyond, who may be interested in running joint clinics. The specific objectives are:

- Review the draft guidelines developed by the project team
- Design and layout a user-friendly, joint clinics operational guideline for the target audience, which includes any illustrations that may be necessary and agreed-upon branding.

We seek an experienced technical writer who can bring together the information gathered into a well-structured manual that can be easily understood and used by the target audience. The exact structure of the guidelines will be discussed and agreed upon with the CABI team once the consultant has familiarized themselves with the draft material. The CABI team will stay closely engaged with the consultant through regular video calls, emails, or face-to-face meetings to give feedback, inputs, answer questions, etc. CABI will also provide sufficient additional sources to help the consultant contextualize the assignment.

The scope

The draft guidelines were drawn by the project implementing team from MAAIF, the six participating districts of Uganda, and CABI. The team developed subtopics relevant for consideration in clinic operations and drafted step-by-step messages to guide in running clinics based on their experiences. This includes the process of each step for successful joint clinic operations, lessons, and recommendations.

Deliverables

The final product is expected to be a manual/book entailing the set of procedures to guide in the establishment and running of joint clinics, which can also be used as a training guide for extension staff. The format should be agreed upon with the CABI team.

Timeline

This assignment is expected to be spread and delivered in 14 days as follows:

- First draft for review by the CABI team within seven days after signing of the contract.
- Final submission within seven days after the draft review by the CABI team

Consultant Profile

- Technical writer/science journalist with a proven track record of at least 10 years of working experience in this field
- Excellent writing skills, with the ability to compile and synthesize vast material
- Excellent editorial skills

Proposal Submission

Interested individuals must submit the following documents/information:

- 1. CV that includes all previous experience from similar assignments, contact details (email and telephone number) of the candidate, and at least three (3) professional references.
- 2. A technical proposal that specifies the candidate's qualifications, relevant experiences, and availability. Preferably attach sample(s) of accredited publication(s).
- 3. A financial proposal, specifying the professional fees for this assignment.

Contract duration

The duration of the consultancy is two months from the effective date of the contract.

Submission details

Interested consultants should upload their technical and financial proposals to the CABI contractors' work suite platform using the link below.

- For existing contractors who are yet to update their profiles <u>https://cabi.worksuite.com/invite/58edd5c5e4e14b44b49c4933f786d18b/.</u>
- For new contractors who should first create an account in the system and also update their profiles. <u>https://cabi.worksuite.com/invite/d48e3ba552a6484eb3d2759f4aec5b38/.</u>
- For any queries/clarification/challenges in uploading the proposal, please write to procurement-africa@cabi.org.
- The deadline for submission of proposals is 8th June 2025.

Ref documents

CABI. Joint crop and livestock services for smallholder farmers. <u>Project overview</u> and <u>video</u>. Danielsen, S., Alokit, C., Aliamo, C., Mugambi, I. 2022. <u>How crop-livestock clinics are</u> <u>advancing One Health: A pilot case from Uganda</u>. CABI One Health Cases, December.

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