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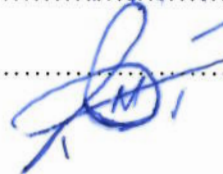
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## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

Gulu DFA- GULU DISTRICT FARMERS ASSOCIATION.

AES- Agricultural Extension Supervisor.

FaaB- farmers on farming as a business

CAR- Community Access road

UNFFE- Uganda National Farmers Federation

FAM- finance & Administration Management

NUREP- Northern Women Empowerment program

VSLA- Village Savings and Loan Associations

G.A.P- Group Action Plan

B.A.P- Business Action Plan

ATS- Animal Traction Supervisor.

AEO- Agricultural Extension Officer.

APM- Agricultural Production and Marketing.

GAPs- Good Agricultural Practices.

DEMO- Demonstration

N P K- Nitrogen. Phosphorus Potassium.

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DAP- Dia-animonuim phosphorus

LLG- Lower Local Government.

Fot-fertilizer optimization tool

FFS-Farmers Field School

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## ABSTRACT

The field attachment was carried out at Gulu District Farmers Association (GDFA) which is a member-based organization that was formed in 1992 with the objective of mobilizing the farmer community to have one voice under one independent umbrella organization. Gulu DFA is also registered member of the Uganda National Farmers Federation (UNFFE), the umbrella body for all farmer organization in Uganda. Gulu DFA is located in Northern Parts of Uganda and currently have registered membership of 25000 farmers and 834 Registered Farmer groups in the whole of Gulu and Omoro district respectively.

Gulu District Farmers Association (GDFA) is dedicated to eradicating poverty in the smallholder's farmers households where the majority of the regions poorest, laborers, herders, fishers and small-scale entrepreneurs depend on agriculture and related activities to survive. We give special attention to gender differences and to empower women, who account for a disproportionate numb.

Internship training is one of the practical requirements with the aim of equipping students with practical skills and getting exposed to the work environments carried out for a period of ten weeks from 20.05.2019 to 26.07.2019 on a theory ground like farmers training and practicals like demo site setting at Gulu DFA located at Lalogi sub-county in Omoro district. During the attachment period, several activities were conducted e.g. farmers training on GAP for soybean , rice, setting demo sites for the different crops, data collections for agro input dealers and produce dealers, monitoring of planting activities, follow up on land preparation, weeding which all aimed at equipping the students with skills on site selection for planting, data collection and analysis among others. While conducting the field activities few interventions like achievement of successful setting of demo site, GAP training on different enterprises, data collections etc. within the engagement period. Even though during the periods of attachment few challenges like weather effects, communication gaps with the farmers, , but all in all the industrial training was successfully done and its main aim of equipping students with practical skills was achieved following the different innovations made in order to perform the planned activities.

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## CHAPTER ONE

Here gives a brief description of the organization of attachment during the program to equip students with practical skills while conducting the project in order to compare and appreciate vast knowledge of exposure as far as agriculture is concern

Also here, contains brief descriptions of the study, its objectives and the purpose for carrying out or conducting out the activities leading towards the achievement of the main goal of the study which is to equip students with practical skills and knowledge of Extension as far as agriculture is concern.

### 1.1 Historical Background of the organisation

Gulu District Farmers Association (GDFA) is a member-based organization that was formed in 1992 with the objective of mobilizing the farmer community to have one voice under one independent umbrella organization. Gulu DFA is also registered member of the Uganda National Farmers Federation (UNFFE), the umbrella body for all farmer organization in Uganda. Gulu DFA is located in Northern Parts of Uganda and currently have registered membership of 25000 farmers and 834 Registered Farmer groups in the whole of Gulu and Omoro district respectively.

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#### 1.1.1 Organization Vision:

A sustainable farmers organization contributing to agricultural development in Uganda.

#### 1.1.2 Organization Mission Statement:

To improve farmers knowledge and skills on appropriate agricultural technologies, value addition and marketing.

#### 1.1.3 Goal of the organisation:

The goal of the association is Improved agricultural production and productivity in Gulu District by 2020