



Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

Significant achievements in 2011

- Stakeholders in the agricultural and related industries are better positioned to partner with IICA for the delivery of viable results for the sustainable development of agriculture following the consultative process involved in developing IICA's new country strategy for St. Vincent and the Grenadines. The strategy evolved from wide-ranging consultations with major stakeholder organizations and groups and members of IICA's technical staff and will inform the delivery of technical cooperation in SVG over the next four years.
- Members of the St. Vincent and the Grenadines Network of Rural Women Producers have improved on the profitability of their farm enterprises, the nutrition and well-being of their farm families and the diversity of products produced as a result of implementation of a project titled: Small Holder Poultry Development Initiative. The project proposal was presented by IICA to the Canada Fund for Local Initiative (CFLI) who provided the funding for implementation. Ten fifty-bird broiler units were constructed on the farms of ten rural women who were also trained in poultry production and agribusiness management.
- Beekeepers in St. Vincent and the Grenadines are better positioned to exploit the full potential of the beekeeping industry as a result of IICA's intervention and the hosting of a FAVACA expert to assess the state of beekeeping on the island and conduct training of farmers on innovative apiary management for higher productivity.
- Ten producer organizations have enhanced their organizational capacities and capabilities and are now empowered to address internal organizational issues and the effectiveness of the delivery of services to their membership following IICA's hosting of a workshop on group dynamics and organizational management and leadership.
- Agro-processors have increased their understanding of the principles underlying good manufacturing practices (GMP) for the processing of agricultural products and are now positioned to improve the efficiency of the processes employed in their businesses. This was accomplished through an IICA sponsored workshop on Good Manufacturing Practices engaging twenty-seven small-scale operators.