INDUSTRY SUSTAINABILITY AND SELF REGULATION IN THE PESTICIDE INDUSTRY

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BRIEF ON CLK/AAK

• Established in 1958, AAK is the umbrella organization in Kenya for manufacturers, formulators, repackers, importers, distributors, farmers and users of pest control products (pesticides).

• Current membership is 88 (55 manufacturers – local and international, rest affiliates and associates)

• Core mandate product stewardship which AAK has supported for close to 30 years
AAK STRATEGY 2016-2020

• better position itself as a leader on pest control products’ stewardship.

• provide a common understanding of, and vision for the industry in Kenya as regards sustainable and safe management of pest control products.
AAK has focused its interventions into four major pillars viz.

i. Product Stewardship
ii. Partnerships Building
iii. Regulatory Policy and Standards
iv. Institutional Development
PRODUCT STEWARDSHIP

- Research and Development
- Manufacturing
- Storage, Transportation, and Distribution
- Integrated Pest Management
- Responsible Use
- Container Management
- Management and Disposal of Obsolete Stocks
PARTNERSHIP BUILDING

Objective
To contribute to greater industry coordination, standards, knowledge/skills sharing and influencing with a view to improving the competitive positions for AAK members and collaborators.

Strategic Interventions
1. Membership Development
2. Alliance Building
3. Industry Coordination and Advocacy
4. Innovation & Best Practice Promotion
5. Strategic Linkages
REGULATORY POLICY AND STANDARDS

Objectives

1. To encourage and promote just, fair and honorable practices; as well as to oppose or prevent illegal/ malpractices within the industry.

2. To protect the common trade interests of AAK members and stakeholders where these are concerned with manufacture, formulation and distribution of agrochemical products.

3. seeks to enhance measures and mechanisms that ensure quality standards are upheld within the industry with a view to assuring improved safety and health.

4. facilitate the development and application of requisite industry policies, standards and best practices, amongst others, on safe use of genuine products and or technologies.
INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Objective

To support AAK become a dynamic, efficient and stable entity that is cost-effectively and sustainably achieving its mandate.

Strategic Interventions

• Governance
• Human Resources Management
• Quality of Internal Organisational Environment
• Sustainability
• Marketing and Communication
• Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEL)
• Self-regulation and quality assurance is key for the industry to thrive and offer its clients the best.
• Self Regulation in Kenya through an internationally accepted code of conduct (International code of conduct on pesticide management – FAO)
• enables farmers’ access quality inputs while at the same time ensuring the supply chain is streamlined and is served by professionals.
• Logo – mark of quality
• The industry is on an upward growth trend with increase in investment in Agriculture.

• Agro-inputs need to be availed to farmers by professionals. At the same time, the inputs need to be of high quality to ensure food security.

• This can only be assured through self-regulation in the supply chain.

• With self-regulation comes accreditation of all players in the industry who must adhere to a code of conduct and face consequences should they engage in mal-practices.
SOURCES OF FUNDING FOR CLK ACTIVITIES

1. Levy
2. Member subscription
3. Government – indirectly through collaborations
4. Donor Funding
5. CLAME/CLI
ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PESTICIDE LEVY

• In 1998, CLK established a voluntary, self-imposed levy fund at 0.6% of the F.O.B value for all imports of pest control products.

• PCPB was charging a 0.2% of F.O.B value as import permit fee

• CLK initiated discussions with MOA/PCPB to help in increasing funding to PCPB for Inspection, training and other activities so that the Industry was well regulated.

• Discussions lead to the establishment of the levy fund at 0.8% of the F.O.B paid by importers of pest control products to contribute towards the Safe Use Initiative Programmes in Kenya.

• Levy was to be divided equally between AAK and PCPB for Safe Use Initiatives.

• Levy was effected in 1999
These Regulations may be cited as the Pest Control Products (License Fees and Other Charges) Regulations, 2006.

The Board may charge an import fee at the rate of 0.8% free on board (F.O.B.) value of the product and shall be paid to the Board as agreed with the Agrochemicals Association of Kenya of which 0.4% shall be used by the Board to train end-users and other stakeholders on safe use of products and the remaining 0.4% shall be remitted by the Board to the Association for the same purpose of training.
ACHIEVEMENTS OF CLK UNDER LEVY SYSTEM

1. To CLK/Industry
   • Sustainability
   • Coverage of industry activities
   • Growth of membership
   • Secretariat
   • Attaining CLK set objectives of stewardship
   • Support government in its function towards sound management
   • Support government towards setting up favorable laws, policies and regulations
ACHIEVEMENTS OF CLK

1. RU/IPM training
2. Container management
3. Obsolete pesticides management
4. Safe-guarding of contaminated sites
5. Poison information center
6. Promotion of better environment through corporate social responsibility activities
7. Improved legislation and regulations
8. GHS
9. Crop Grouping
10. Industry forums