



Solar Dryer Building Training. Hamara Village, Kokoda LLG, Ward 14 . 2023



Stock feed making Training, Hamara Village, Kokoda LLG, Ward 14. 2023



Inland Fish Breeder Pond Construction, Hamara Village, Kokoda LLG, Ward 14. 2023—2024

SPISARD

Supporting Improvement and Attainment of Sustainability in Integral Modern and Traditional Farming Systems for the Rural People of Papua New Guinea, Melanesia and the Pacific

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Introduction

The South Pacific Institute for Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development (SPISARD) is a Centre for the promotion of Rural development through the Agriculture Department of the Papua New Guinea University of Technology (PNG Unitech).

The institute has operated through a Model Village Concept. Model villages were established over various agro-ecological zones in the country. These model villages have become conduit points for research, training and extension with active farmer participation. This approach is quite unique and different to the existing ones; in that the development process takes place in the farmers' environment with immediate "real time" feedback mechanisms based on the farmers' perspective and satisfaction.



Cocoa Budding & Husbandry Training, Budwood Garden Establishment. Masandanai Village, Karawari LLG, Ward 1. 2023

Vision

SPISARD vision is;

To be dynamic and innovative in providing leaderships and lifelong learning in extension and sustainable agriculture development, positively impacting on rural communities in Papua New Guinea, Melanesia and South Pacific Islands

Mission

The mission of SPISARD is to;

- Collaboratively advance and develop model villages to improve rural development processes,
- Create foster and implement collaborative action and learning opportunities through demonstration,
- Direct participation of farmers in the pursuit of improving their farming



Markham Bulb Onion Project in Partnership with NVS and FPDA. Leron—Umi. 2024

Functions

- ◆ To conduct applied research in sustainable agriculture, extension training and rural development.
- ◆ To train and develop human resources needs of agriculture and community development in Papua New Guinea, Melanesia and Pacific islands
- ◆ To develop and promote appropriate farm implements
- ◆ To develop and promote appropriate post-harvest and food preservation technology to promote nutrition.
- ◆ To provide agriculture extension services, including technical information in suitable forms to farmers.
- ◆ To provide market credit and agri-business management information to farmers.
- ◆ To develop and transfer improved agricultural technology.
- ◆ To develop appropriate extension methods.
- ◆ To evaluate research, extension and rural development policies.
- ◆ To provide advisory services to the rural communities, government and private sectors
- ◆ To preserve and promote agricultural diversity in crops and livestock farming.