

UNDERSTANDING
CHILDREN-IN-AGRICULTURE
PROGRAMME (CIAP)
IN NIGERIA

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tion. The CIA, therefore is conceptualised as a programme aimed at motivating farmers' children participating in farming activities to develop the intention and willingness to continue with farming profession in their adulthood.

THE CIAP: AIMS AND OBJECTIVES:

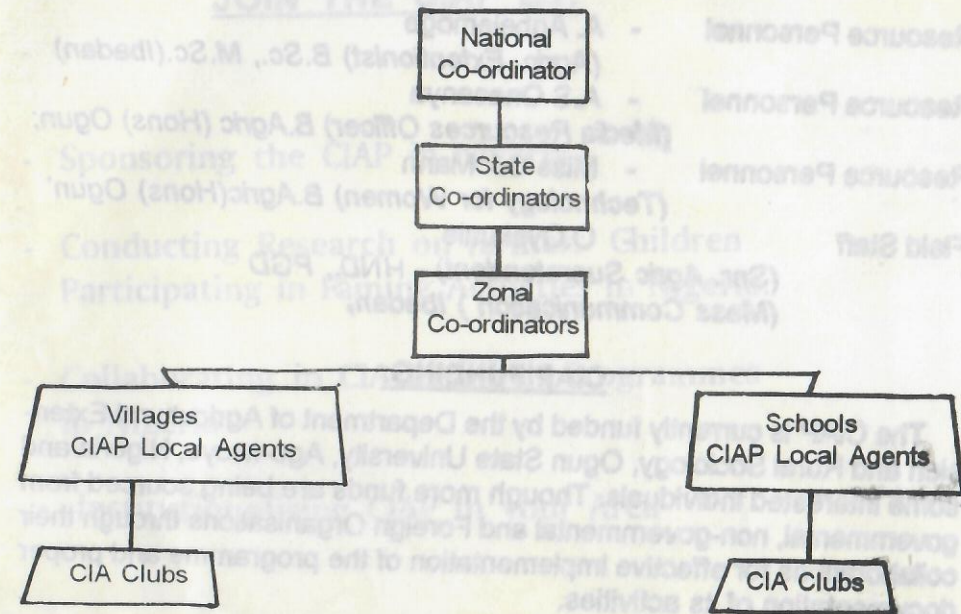
The Programme aims at enhancing a sustainable agricultural development in Nigeria, Since it will constitute part of the strategies for replacing the retiring aged farmers on the farms. It will also constitute a forum for up-dating and linking indigenous knowledge with newly improved farm practices. The following specific objectives are outlined for the programme:

- i. To organise the dependent Farmers' Children participating in farming activities into Children-in-Agriculture (CIA) club based in Villages and Schools.
- ii. To conduct researches on this category of children based on their needs and researchable problems peculiar to them and as identified by them.
- iii. To circulate CIAP book series or materials and/or any agricultural development information through the group.
- iv. To source, develop and promote talents in gifted members of the group.
- v. To develop ideas and/or organise programmes and/or engage in activities that will enhance adequate development of the group either solely or in collaboration with governmental/Non-governmental/Foreign Organisations.

CIAP OPERATIONAL STRATEGY:

The CIAP is to be established in Villages and Secondary Schools where the CIA clubs are formed with the permission of the Village heads and School Principals respectively. The CIAP Local agents appointed by the village heads and Principals in collaboration with CIAP Co-ordinator are made to undergo training on CIA club management for easy Co-ordination of the clubs. Only the interested Villages and Schools are Co-opted for participation in the programme.

CIAP Organisation Structure in Nigeria



CIAP Philosophical Anthem (8.8.8.8.8.8.8)

We are child-ren of farmers,
born and taught to live on farming,
seeing our dear parents everyday,
toiling and ageing on their farms.

We long to keep the profession on,
With love to feed our Fatherland.
Oh God, help our generation
to keep our determi-nation.

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CIAP COMPONENTS:

1. **CIA Clubs:** These are clubs formed in Villages and Schools for implementation of CIA Programme. The clubs are being Co-ordinated by the CIAP in collaboration with CIAP Local Agents appointed by the Village heads and School Principals.
2. **CIA Foundation:** This is established to source funds for adequate implementation of the CIA Programme.
3. **Research and Development Component:** This is mandated to research into needs and problems peculiar to Farmers' Children using the CIA club members as samples and also; to develop more programmes that will enhance the interest of farmers' Children in Farming Profession.
4. **Communication and Extension Component:** This is established to publish printed and non-printed materials of the CIA Programme; Such publications include bulletins, newsletters, conference papers, journals, e.t.c. for disseminating innovation or new ideas emanating through the CIA Programme.

JOIN THE CIAP BY:

- Sponsoring the CIAP in Nigeria.
- Conducting Research on farmers' Children Participating in Farming Activities in Nigeria.
- Collaborating in CIA Research Programmes in Nigeria
- Institutionalising CIAP in your Area

WE HAVE A LOT TO GAIN THROUGH
THE CIAP TO GUARANTEE A SUSTAINABLE
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