GHE Agribusiness Youth Training Series

Gambia Horticultural Enterprises (GHE) with support from The Youth Empowerment Project (YEP) is offering a series of on-the-job training programmes in agribusiness for Gambian youth. Three separate training programmes are open for application:

Agro-processing Training Programme

Dates**:** 4 June – 5 August 2018

Location: GHE Farm and Multi-purpose Agro-processing Centre at Kembujeh Village (some 50 km from Banjul) and GHE Banjulinding Agro-food Processing Training Centre

Application deadline: 11.59 pm on Monday 28 May 2018

Pest Control Training Programme

Dates: 2 July – 5 August 2018

Location: GHE Pest Control Unit at Old Jeshwang (7 km from Banjul)

Application deadline: 11.59 pm on Wednesday 20 June 2018

Agro-product Marketing Training Programme

Dates: 30 July – 9 September 2018

Location: GHE New Era Factory at Old Jeshwang (7 km from Banjul)

Application deadline: 11.59 pm on Wednesday 18 July 2018

The training programmes will be highly participatory with both theory and practical elements, including classroom, workshop, factory and field work. The training programme will be conducted in English, Wolof or Mandinka depending on the preference of trainees. All materials and equipment required for the training programmes will be provided.

All programmes include a 1-week training on entrepreneurship and business skills.

Trainees will receive a stipend during the course of the training. For the Agro-processing Training Programme, the stipend will be D 5,000 for youth from GBA and D 9,000 for youth from all other regions. For the Pest Control Training Programme and the Agro-product Marketing Training Programme, the stipend will be D 3,000 for youth from GBA and D 5,000 for youth from all other regions.

Successful trainees will be able to apply for start-up support after completion of the training.

Selection Criteria

* Must be Gambian
* Must be aged 18-35
* No prior experience is necessary but applicants must demonstrate a strong interest and desire to undertake the training.
* Rural youth, returnees and school leavers are particularly encouraged to apply. A minimum of 50% rural youths will be selected.

**AGRIBUSINESS AND AGRO-PROCESSING YOUTH TRAINING SERIES**

**APPLICATION FORM**

*This form should be filled, printed, signed, and submitted to one of the following locations*

* *The Regional Agricultural Office in your region*
* *The GHE Office at 16 Mamadi Manjang Highway, Old Jeshwang*

*Alternatively, the form can be scanned and sent by email to yep@intracen.org and gamhortmc@gmail.com.*

*Please take note of the respective* ***application deadlines****:*

Agro-processing Training Programme: 11.59 pm on **Monday 28 May 2018**

Pest Control Training Programme: 11.59 pm on **Wednesday 20 June 2018**

Agro-product Marketing Training Programme: 11.59 pm on **Wednesday 18 July 2018**

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| 1. Date of Application
 |  | 1. Which training programme are you applying to?
 | Agro-processing | Pest Control | Agro-Product Marketing |
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| 1. Name
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| 1. Date of Birth
 |  | 1. Gender
 | Female | Male | Other |
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| 1. Address
 | 1. Region
 | GBA | WCR | LRR | NBR | CRR | URR |
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| 1. Have you participated in any previous YEP-funded training(s)?
 |[ ]  Yes | 1. If so, which YEP-funded training have you attended?
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|  |[ ]  No |  |  |
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| 1. Are you a returnee?
 |[ ]  Yes | 1. What is your highest level of education?
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|  |[ ]  No |  |  |  |
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| 1. Do you currently run a business?
 |[ ]  Yes | 1. If so, please describe your business:
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|  |[ ]  No |  |  |
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| 1. Why would you like take part in the training programme? (Maximum 200 words)
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| 1. What do you hope to learn during the training? (Maximum 5 main points)
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| 1. What are your longer-term goals (within the next 5 years)? (Maximum 150 words)
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| 1. How will the training help you achieve those goals? (Maximum 200 words)
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| 1. Why should you be selected? (Maximum 50 words)
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| I declare that to the best of my knowledge, all information provided in this application is correct and complete. I am aware that any false information may lead to my application being rejected.**Signature** |
| **Date:**  |  |  |