

IPM CRSP Trip Report

Country Visited: Philippines

Dates of Travel: Oct. 20, 2010 to Nov 20, 2010

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Purpose of Trip: Meet with collaborators and participate in the survey of IPM-trained and non-IPM trained farmers in Laguna/Batangas

Sites Visited: Univ. of the Philippines at Los Banos, Laguna, Philippines

Description of Activities/Observations:

I met with Dr. Jose M. Yorobe, Jr., the local collaborator working with me to undertake the economic impact assessment of some of the IPM CRSP activities in the Philippines. We worked and finished our paper that examines the insecticide use impact of the IPM CRSP trainings conducted in Nueva Ecija, Philippines. This is based on the data collected last year from onion producers in Nueva Ecija province. Dr. Yorobe's insights during my visit helped in completing the paper. It is currently with Dr. Hammig and Dr. Norton for their review (prior to journal submission).

I also met with Dr. Au Baltazar (Weed Scientist, UPLB) who is in charge of the IPM CRSP training for eggplant producers that was supposed to be conducted in Laguna/Batangas province. However, just prior to my visit Dr. Baltazar's group decided to move the training site to Quezon province because there were not enough eggplant farmers in the Laguna/Batangas site. Given this development, we were not able to undertake the baseline survey for the IPM and non-IPM trainees that were supposed to be in Laguna and Batangas. However, Dr. Baltazar, Dr. Yorobe and I met to discuss and plan the trainings which will now be conducted in the first quarter of 2011. Dr. Yorobe will conduct the baseline survey for our impact assessment work at that time.

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