IPM CRSP Trip Report

Country Visited: Senegal

Dates of Travel: Jan 12, 2012 – Jan 18, 2012

Travelers Names and Affiliations: George N. Mbata, Fort Valley State University

Purpose of Trip: Participate in planning meeting for the project year 2011/2012. Commence potato tubermoth (PTM) trapping experiments in Senegal

Sites Visited

Senegal-Dakar- DPV, Thies, Niayes, Kayar

Description of Activities/Observations:

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I participated in the general planning meeting that took placed on January 15 and 16, 2012.

Discussions were held on activities that will be carried out in the year 2011/2012. Further monitoring of the tubermoth on farm and in storage was recommended for both Mali and Senegal.

Senegal PTM Activity:

Kemo Badji and I planned intense trapping experiments throughout year. We selected three towns across Senegal where potato cultivation is high for our trials. The towns include Notto, Kayar and Mboro. The sites were selected based on the advice of Mr. Mamadou Ndiaye, the coordinator of Potato Famers Cooperation in Senegal. He gave us names of specific farmers that we can work within the areas. In Kayar, we have already deployed traps in Mr. Pape Diouf potato plots. Kemo will deploy traps in potato plots cultivated by Modou Ndiaye and Mr Gollou Ndiaye in Mboro and Notto, respectively.

Kemo Badji of DPV and I traveled to Kayar on Jan. 17 and 18 where we deployed traps in a 6-hectar potato farm. Some tubermoths were caught in our traps within an hour of deploying the traps. Some specimens were given to the Malian team.

Six-day (Jan. 17 – Jan 22, 2012) Trap Data from the traps Deployed in Kayar

Trap#

	Delta Trap	Ball Trap*
1	16	2
2	8	0
3	11	0
4	11	0
5	8	1
6	21	2

Ball traps were tried in order to collect voucher specimens that can be shared with Malian group.

Suggestions, Recommendations, and/or Follow-up Items:

Funds for the project should be disbursed early enough to enable activities to be executed during potato cultivation season.

List of Contacts Made:

Name	Title/Organization
Kemo Badji	DPV, Senegal
Mamadou Ndiaye	Coordinator, Farmers Coop
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