



UCDA MONTHLY REPORT FOR JULY 2016

Highlights:

- This is the tenth report for the coffee year 2015/16. A total of 268,490 60-kilo bags of coffee valued at US\$ 27.06 million were exported in July 2016 at an average weighted price of US \$1.68/kilo, 2 cents higher than US\$ 1.66/kilo last month.
- Farm-gate prices for Robusta Kiboko averaged Shs. 2,300/= per kilo; FAQ Shs.4,850/= per kilo, Arabica parchment Shs 5,150/= per kilo and Drugar Sh. 4,250/kilo.
- Coffee exports for 12 months (August 2015 to July 2016) totalled 3.42 million bags worth \$336 million comprising Robusta 2.57 million bags worth \$236 million and Arabica 0.86 million bags worth \$101. million.
- About 78.10% of the total export volume was exported by 10 exporters, out of 33 who performed during the month compared to 83.39% in June.
- 133,557,033 seedlings are ready for planting during September- November 2016 season.
- The ICO Composite Indicator price increased from US Cents 127.05per lb. in June 2016 to US cents 132.98 per lb. in July 2016. It oscillated between US Cents 129.40-137.36 per lb.

1.0 COFFEE EXPORTS

Coffee exports in July 2016 amounted to 268,490 60-kilo bags worth US \$ 27.06 million comprising 218,983 bags (\$ 20.91) of Robusta and 49,507 bags (\$6.15 million) of Arabica (see Table 1).

Table1: Comparative Coffee Export Performance - 60-kilo bags; US\$

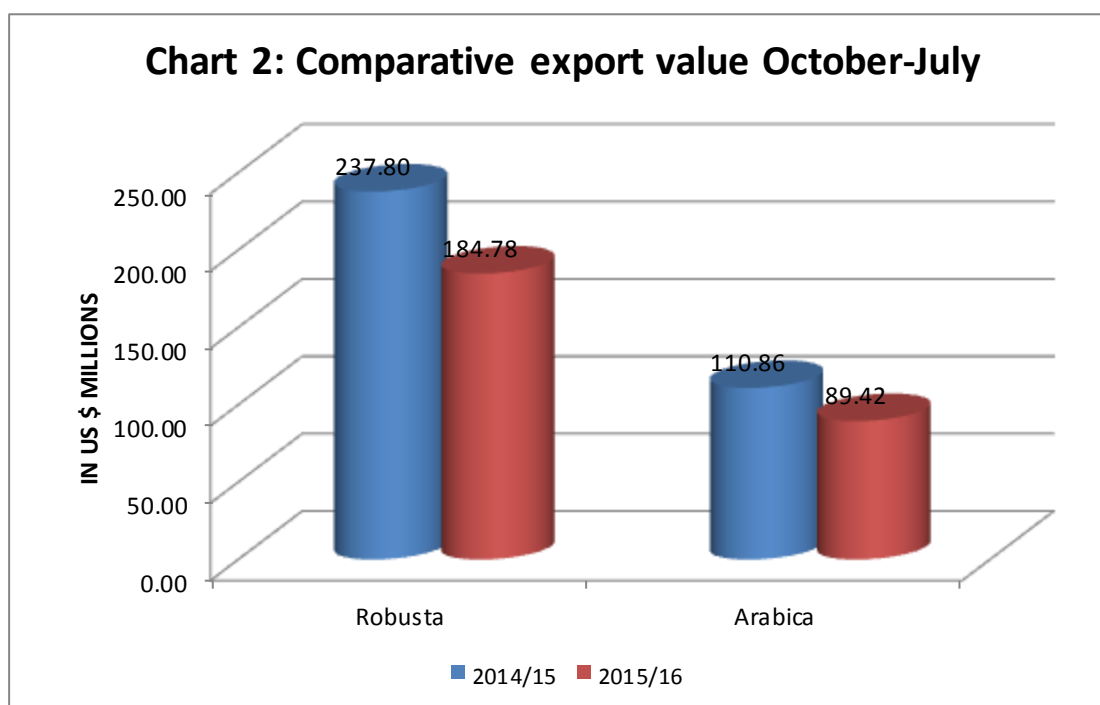
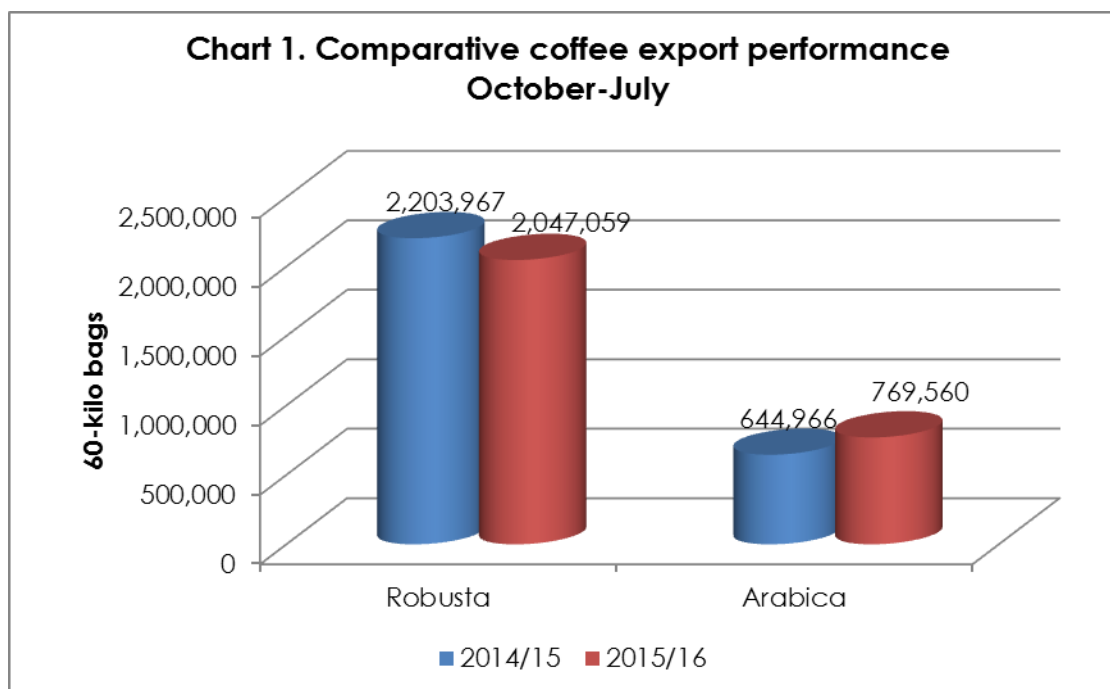
Coffee Year	2015/16		2014/15		%age Change	
	Qty	Value \$	Qty	Value \$	Qty	Value \$
Grand Total	2,816,619	274,194,226	2,848,933	348,662,985	-1.13	-21.36
• Robusta	2,047,059	184,777,165	2,203,967	237,803,146	-7.12	-22.30
• Arabica	769,560	89,417,061	644,966	110,859,839	19.32	-19.34
July	268,490	27,057,082	402,721	42,958,801	-33.33	-37.02
• Robusta	218,983	20,909,050	349,166	35,009,971	-37.28	-40.28
• Arabica	49,507	6,148,032	53,555	7,948,830	-7.56	-22.65
June	266,337	26,531,429	333,943	35,095,264	-20.24	-24.40
• Robusta	201,382	18,555,784	284,690	28,498,277	-29.26	-34.89
• Arabica	64,955	7,975,645	49,253	6,596,987	31.88	20.90
May	285,945	27,619,592	262,604	30,470,864	8.89	-9.36
• Robusta	207,012	18,464,212	194,035	20,581,329	6.69	-10.29
• Arabica	78,933	9,155,380	68,569	9,889,535	15.11	-7.42
April	326,793	31,120,627	264,065	32,805,613	23.75	-5.14
• Robusta	222,748	19,307,760	176,932	19,070,021	25.89	1.25
• Arabica	104,045	11,812,867	95,405	16,979,579	9.06	-30.43
March	247,838	23,117,889	310,773	40,787,188	-20.25	-43.32
• Robusta	165,833	13,679,762	215,368	23,807,609	-23.00	-42.54
• Arabica	82,005	9,48,127	95,405	16,979,579	-14.06	-44.41

February	271,941	25,121,054	290,475	36,950,799	-6.38	-32.01
• Robusta	204,921	17,298,345	230,750	25,794,351	-11.19	-32.94
• Arabica	67,020	7,522,709	59,725	11,156,448	12.21	-32.57
January	334,727	32,125,478	310,149	39,691,234	7.82	-19.06
• Robusta	257,330	22,889,563	244,366	27,033,929	5.17	-15.33
• Arabica	77,397	9,235,915	65,783	12,657,306	17.66	-27.03
December	342,429	33,584,753	224,803	29,750,803	52.32	12.89
• Robusta	263,214	24,234,767	176,711	20,587,890	48.95	17.71
• Arabica	79,215	9,349,986	48,092	9,162,913	64.72	2.04
November	248,921	25,048,473	219,948	29,494,827	13.17	-15.23
• Robusta	157,358	14,836,751	159,447	17,998,556	-1.31	-17.71
• Arabica	91,563	10,211,723	60,501	11,496,271	51.34	-11.35
October	223,198	22,867,849	229,442	30,657,591	-2.43	-25.20
• Robusta	148,278	14,301,171	172,502	19,421,213	-13.66	-26.03
• Arabica	74,920	8,566,678	56,940	11,236,378	31.58	-23.76

Compared to the same month last year, Robusta exports decreased by 37.28% while Arabica exports decreased by 7.56%. In terms of value, Robusta decreased by 40.28% while Arabica decreased by 22.65% compared to July 2015. Robusta exports for the 10 months of CY 2015/16 totalled 2.05 million bags while Arabica exports were 769,560 bags.

On a year-on-year basis, coffee exports for 12 months (August 2015 to July 2016) totalled 3.42 million bags worth \$336 million comprising Robusta 2.57 million bags (US\$ 236 million) and Arabica 0.86 million bags (US\$ 101 million).

Charts 1 and 2 give the comparative performance of the cumulative coffee export performance by coffee type in both quantity and value in 2 coffee years during the first ten months (October -July) of 2015/16 and 2014/15. Chart 1 shows a decrease in exports for Robusta attributed to drought conditions experienced in Masaka and South Western regions. However, there was an increase of exports for Arabica over last year attributed to the biennial cycle of Arabica production. Chart 2 shows a reduction in value for the 2 coffee types on account of low global prices.



2.0 EXPORTS BY TYPE AND GRADE

Table 2 shows coffee exports by type, grade and average realized price during the month of July 2016. The weighted average export price was US\$ 1.68 per kilo, 2 cents up from US\$ 1.66 per kilo the previous month. Robusta exports accounted for 81.56% of total exports compared to 75.61% last month. The weighted average Robusta price was US\$ 1.59 per kilo compared to US\$ 1.54 per kilo the previous month reflecting an increase of US cents 5. Organic Robusta fetched the highest price of US\$ 1.99 per kilo, fetching a premium of 20 cents over conventional Screen 18 sold at an average of US\$ 1.79 per kilo. Arabica fetched a weighted average price of US\$ 2.07 per kilo, US Cents 2 higher than US Cents 2.05 in June 2016. The highest price was for Fully Washed Sipi

Falls sold at US \$ 4.19 per kilo. It was followed by Organic Wugar at a unit price of US\$ 2.46 per kilo.

Table 2: Coffee Exports by Type, Grade & Unit Price in July 2016 in 60-kilo bags; US \$, US \$/kg

Coffee type/ Grade	Quantity 60-Kilo Bags	%-age Quantity	Value in US \$	%-age Value	Unit Price \$/Kilo
TOTAL	268,490		27,057,082		1.68
ROBUSTA	218,983	100.00	20,909,050	100.00	1.59
ORGANIC ROBUSTA	1,360	0.62	162,435	0.78	1.99
WASHED ROBUSTA	320	0.15	38,095	0.18	1.98
SCREEN 18	20,585	9.40	2,208,691	10.56	1.79
SCREEN 17	14,036	6.41	1,363,451	6.52	1.62
SCREEN 15	104,081	47.53	10,378,691	49.64	1.66
SCREEN 12	46,120	21.06	4,383,186	20.96	1.58
BHP 1199	16,040	7.32	1,216,497	5.82	1.26
OTHER ROBUSTA	16,441	7.51	1,158,004	5.54	1.17
ARABICA	49,507	100.00	6,148,032	100.0	2.07
FW SIPI FALLS	100	0.20	25,132	0.41	4.19
MT. ELGON A	3,070	6.20	446,696	7.27	2.43
BUGISU A+	720	1.45	104,763	1.70	2.43
RWENZORI A+	3	0.01	437	0.01	2.43
RWENZORI A	4,330	8.75	630,031	10.25	2.43
ORGANIC WUGAR	640	1.29	94,477	1.54	2.46
BUGISU AA	3,380	6.83	492,843	8.02	2.43
BUGISU A	4,427	8.94	622,636	10.13	2.34
BUGISU AB	1,280	2.59	178,626	2.91	2.33
BUGISU PB	320	0.65	42,328	0.69	2.20
MIXED ARABICA	5,414	10.94	574,081	9.34	1.77
WUGAR	1,950	3.94	268,893	4.37	2.30
DRUGAR	21,253	42.93	2,444,192	39.76	1.92
OTHER ARABICA	2,620	5.29	22,898	3.63	1.42

3.0 INDIVIDUAL EXPORTER PERFORMANCE

Table 3 shows the performance of the individual coffee exporting companies in the month of July 2016 in terms of quantity and market share. Kyagalanyi Coffee Ltd led with a market share of 15.14% compared to 10.47% last month, followed by Ugacof (U) Ltd- 12.93% (11.09%); Ideal Commodities (U) Ltd-9.58% (9.16%); Ibero (U) Ltd- 9.00% (7.06%); Bemark Coffee Co Ltd- 6.83% (9.60%); Kawacom (U) Ltd-6.67% (4.32%); Export Trading Co Ltd-5.04% (10.07%); Kampala Domestic Store Ltd- 4.54% (1.91%); Olam (U) Ltd -4.27% (10.47%) and Commodity Solution (U) Ltd- 4.10% (7.06%) The first 10 exporters held a market share of 78.10% compared to 83.39% in June 2016 reflecting a reduction in concentration at this level compared to the previous month. Changes in relative positions of exporters indicate competition among the actors at this level. *The figures in brackets represent percentage market share held in June 2016.*

Table 3: Export Performance by Individual Companies in July 2016

	EXPORTING COMPANY	POSITION HELD IN JUNE	QUANTITY (Bags)			PERCENTAGE MARKET SHARE	
			Robusta	Arabica	Total	Individual	Cumulative
			218,983	49,507	286,758	100.00	
1	Kyagalanyi Coffee Ltd	3	22,842	17,804	40,646	15.14	15.14
2	Ugacof (U) Ltd	1	34,067	640	34,707	12.93	28.07
3	Ideal Commodities Ltd	6	25,730		25,730	9.58	37.65
4	Ibero (U) Ltd	7	24,162		24,162	9.00	46.65
5	Besmark Coffee Co. Ltd	5	18,330		18,330	6.83	53.47
6	Kawacom (U) Ltd	10	9,000	8,913	17,913	6.67	60.15
7	Export Trading Co. Ltd	4	12,852	680	13,532	5.04	65.19
8	Kampala Domestic Store Ltd	12	12,178		12,178	4.54	69.72
9	Olam (U) Ltd	2	11,476		11,476	4.27	74.00
10	Commodity Solutions (U) Ltd	8	6,690	4,320	11,010	4.10	78.10
11	Ishaka Quality Commodities	9	10,190		10,190	3.80	81.89
12	Ankole Coffee Producers	21	6,626		6,626	2.47	84.36
13	Great Lakes Coffee Ltd	13		6,200	6,200	2.31	86.67
14	Savannah Commodities	17	3,026	3,126	6,152	2.29	88.96
15	LD Commodities (U) Ltd	11	1,368	4,410	5,778	2.15	91.11
16	Karaz Coffee Factory Ltd	25	3,486	37	3,523	1.31	92.43
17	Banyankole Kweterana Ltd	27	2,656		2,656	0.99	93.41
18	Ankole Coffee Processors	22	2,050	360	2,410	0.90	94.31
19	Bakhsons Trading Co. Ltd	18	1,988		1,988	0.74	95.05
20	Nakana Coffee Factory	14	1,958		1,958	0.73	95.78
21	Sena Indo (U) Ltd.	20	1,440	360	1,800	0.67	96.45
22	Bulamu Coffee Buyers Ltd	-	1,650		1,650	0.61	97.07
23	Mbale Importers & Exporters	23		1340	1,340	0.50	97.57
24	Coffee World Ltd	15	1,028		1,028	0.38	97.95
25	Pearl Crops Ltd	26	976		976	0.36	98.31
26	Zigoti Coffee Works Ltd	-	974		974	0.36	98.68
27	Kamba Petroleum	-	960		960	0.36	99.34
28	Kibinge Coffee	27	960		960	0.36	99.39
29	Bukonzo Joint Coop Ltd	28		640	640	0.24	99.63
30	Bugisu Cooperative Ltd	-		340	340	0.13	99.76
31	Bakwaenye Trading Co. Ltd			320	320	0.12	99.87
32	Kaweri Coffee Plantation	16	320		320	0.12	99.99
33	Katuka Development Trust Ltd	-		17	17	0.01	100.00

4.0 LOCAL SITUATION

During the month, farm gate prices ranged from Sh. 2,200-2,400 per kilo of Kiboko (Robusta dry cherries); Shs. 4,500-5,200/= for FAQ; Sh. 4,800-5,500/= for Arabica parchment; and Sh. 4,000-4,500/= per kilo for Drugar from Kasese. The averages were: Sh. 2,300 per kilo for Kiboko coffee; Sh. 4,850 for Robusta FAQ; Sh. 5,150 for Arabica parchment and Sh. 4,250/= for Drugar.

5.0 GLOBAL SITUATION

Coffee exports in the first nine months (October-June) of the coffee year 2015/16 were 85.1 million bags up by 0.2% compared to last year. Robusta exports were 6.5% lower compared

to the same period last year on account of poor Robusta crop and Arabica exports were 4.6% higher than last year due to favorable weather in Brazil and Colombia.

Global consumption in 2015 is still estimated at 152.1 million bags increasing at 2% p.a. The strongest growth in recent years has been recorded in Asia & Oceania, at an average rate of 5.2%, well above the global average. This growth has come from both producing countries, such as Indonesia, Vietnam and India, as well as importing countries like Turkey and Japan.

The ICO Composite Indicator price increased from US Cents 127.05 per lb. in June 2016 to US cents 132.98 per lb. in July 2016. It oscillated between US Cents 129.40-137.36 per lb. Prices increase as a result of a second frost scare in Brazil and the recovery of the Brazilian Real.

COFFEE EXPORTS BY DESTINATION

The destinations of Uganda's coffee exports during the month of July 2016 are illustrated in Table 4. Exports to EU countries amounted to 212,007 bags higher than 175,578 bags exported in the previous month. This represented a 78.96% of total exports. EU was followed by Sudan with 19,600 bags (7.30%) compared to 36,782 bags (13.81%) the previous month. India imported 12,200 (4.54%) and USA 10,380 bags (3.87%) compared to 2,283 bags (0.86%) the previous month. Coffee exports to Africa amounted to 25,060 bags, a market share of 9.33%. The figures in brackets represent the percentage market share of the previous month.

Table 4: Main Destinations of Uganda Coffee in July 2016.

	DESTINATION	POSITION HELD IN MAY	QUANTITY (60kg bags)			%AGE MARKET SHARE	
			Robusta	Arabica	Total	Individual	Cumulative
	Total		218,983	49,507	268,490	100.00	
1	EU	1	175,463	36,544	212,007	78.96	78.96
2	Sudan	2	19,600		19,600	7.30	86.26
3	India	4	10,740	1,460	12,200	4.54	90.80
4	USA	9	320	10,060	10,380	3.87	94.67
5	Israel	6	3,930	320	4,250	1.58	96.26
6	Morocco	10	2,630	320	2,950	1.10	97.35
7	South Africa	8	1,920	320	2,240	0.83	98.19
8	Russia	7	1,520	100	1,620	0.60	98.79
9	China	-	960		960	0.36	99.15
10	Albania	-	654		654	0.24	99.39
11	Singapore	13	640		640	0.24	99.63
12	Chile	-		320	320	0.12	99.87
13	UK	-	320		320	0.12	99.87
14	Egypt	16	270		270	0.10	99.97
15	Turkey	21	16	37	53	0.02	99.99
16	Oman	-		20	20	0.01	100.00
17	Switzerland	15		6	6	0.00	100.00

5.0 BUYERS OF UGANDA COFFEE

Table 5 shows the buyers of Uganda coffee in July 2016. The top 10 buyers held a market share of 69.65% higher than 67.43% of total exports the previous month. Sucafina led with a market share of 12.85% compared to 10.85% in June 2016. This

was followed Bernhard Rothfos -9.00% (7.06%); Altasheel - 8.46% (10.91%); Volcafe -7.77% (2.51%); Socadec -6.60%;(3.20%) Olam International -5.55% (10.28) , Ecom Agro Industrial-5.08% (2.62%) , Icona Cafe-4.90% (2.01%); Bercher- 4.85% (5.00%) and Strauss Commodities- 4.60% (4.01) The changes in relative positions of the buyers compared to the previous month reflect competition for Uganda coffee among different buyers. Note: *The figures in brackets represent percentage performance in the previous month -June 2016.*

TABLE 5 : Buyers of Uganda Coffee in July 2016

	BUYERS	POSITION HELD IN JUNE	QUANTITY (60kg BAGS)			%AGE MARKET SHARE	
			Robusta	Arabica	Total	Individual	Cumulative
	Total		218,983	49,507	268,490		
1	Sucafina	2	33,859	640	34,499	12.85	12.85
2	Bernhard Rothfos	4	24,162		24,162	9.00	21.85
3	Altasheel	1	22,720		22,720	8.46	30.31
4	Volcafe	12	8,922	11,930	20,852	7.77	38.08
5	Socadec	10	16,278	1,440	17,718	6.60	44.68
6	Olam International	3	14,896		14,896	5.55	50.22
7	Ecom Agro Industrial	11	5,970	7,659	13,629	5.08	55.30
8	Icona Café	14	11,878	1,280	13,158	4.90	60.20
9	Bercher	7	13,026		13,026	4.85	65.05
10	Strauss Commodities	9	7,950		12,354	4.60	69.65
11	Aldwami	6	8,750	4,680	8,750	3.26	72.91
12	Gebre Westhoff	15		3,200	4,680	1.74	74.66
13	Louis Dreyfus	-	1,354	360	4,554	1.70	76.35
14	Tropicore	-	4,180		4,540	1.69	78.04
15	Tata Coffee	-	4,320		4,320	1.61	79.65
16	ETG Commodities	17	3,200		3,200	1.19	80.84
17	Coex Coffee	8	3,006		3,006	0.98	81.96
18	Luigi Lavazza	16	2,620		2,620	0.97	82.94
19	Coffee Services	-	2,610		2,610	0.95	83.91
20	Vayhan	-	2,560		2,560	0.94	84.86
21	Briz Coffee	23		2,520	2,520	0.87	85.80

22	Guzman Global	18	1,340	990	2330	0.78	86.67
23	Abaco International	-	2,100		2,100	0.76	87.45
24	Aziende	21	1,700	350	2,050	0.67	88.22
25	Indus Coffee	13	1,800		1,800	0.63	88.89
26	Supremo	-		1,650	1,680	0.61	89.51
27	Deutsche	-	1,650		1,650	0.61	90.13
28	Sobhy Nacley	-	1,650		1,650	9.26	90.74
29	Others		16,482	8,374	24,856	100.00	100.00

6.0 COFFEE DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES

6.1 COFFEE PRODUCTION ACTIVITIES

6.1.1 The Weather Situation

Central Region

- On average, the weather was hot and dry during the first three weeks of the month. However, some parts of the Region received some sporadic and poorly distributed rains during the last week of the month. The newly planted coffee was observed to suffer from water stress. Though in very few part some Coffee was still flowering. Unfortunately the sporadic flowering of coffee that took place during June was in vain as lack of adequate moisture resulted into massive flower and berry abortion.
- Harvesting of the light fly crop that had started to be harvested by end of June in some parts of the Region was yielding less than expected.
- The prevailing dry conditions were threatening performance of the mature coffee.

Western Region

- Kyenjojo and Rwenzori sub regions experienced a dry spell characterized by dry hot winds that have affected most crops. For the coffee planted mid-May mortality rate is relatively high.
- Mityana and Hoima sub regions generally received minimal rains in the second week of the month with a few areas in Kibaale, and Mityana receiving average rains. These rains enabled the establishing of the seedlings planted in April but with no impact on the seedlings planted in May as damage had already been caused since there was no rain for three weeks after planting.

Northern Region

- The month was characterized by hot and dry weather in the first week which culminated into moderate rainfall in the second week. However, steady rains picked up in the third week which is expected to continue up to the end of the season. This signals a continuation of rainfall season especially for much of the mid-Northern Uganda

Eastern Region

- The weather during the month was partly cloudy sometimes breaking into occasional moderate to heavy showers in several districts in Eastern Uganda. This was particularly beneficial to the coffee trees which were bulging with flowers and facilitated bean filling of the maturing coffee berries. Post-harvest handling was not affected much as the volumes of coffee being handled at farm and store level are very low.

South Western Region

- The weather was generally dry during 1st half of the month across the entire region. However during start of second half of the month, heavy showers commenced and this relieved stress levels that had begun to be experienced by the newly planted gardens.
- It is hoped that mortality rate for April-May planting season, particularly for farmers that dug the right sized holes may not be as high as earlier anticipated.

6.1.2 Generation of Coffee Planting Material

- 24,000 Nodal cuttings are available with Nursery operators for distribution in September - November 2016 planting season
- Tissue culture seedlings generation for 500,000 seedlings is progressing at FICA Laboratory in Kyenjojo District. A total 128,000 ex-laboratory plantlets are in the process of weaning and hardening.
- Elite seedlings Generation - June - July harvesting, 9,939 Kgs of Robusta and 5,270Kgs of Arabica seed distributed to Nursery operators.

6.1.3: Management of Disease and Pest Out breaks.

- There were some serious incidences of Coffee Berry Disease (CBD) infections reported and noticed in a field in West Nile.
- Samples from the affected coffee berries were taken by NaCORI staff for laboratory testing to ascertain the CBD strains and origin for further recommendation
- Surveillance on Pest and Diseases continued and selection of new demonstration sites for Black Coffee Twig Borer (BCTB) was completed and farmers sensitized on carrying out phytosanitary measures.

6.1.4: Coffee Planting.

- Seedlings available for planting September - November season 2016.

Region	Nurseries	Seedlings	%
Central	566	45,915,600	34%
Western	372	36,783,500	28%
Eastern	264	17,298,038	13%
Northern	144	3,159,895	2%
South Western	302	30,400,000	23%
TOTAL	1,648	133,557,033	100%

6.1.5: Technical Extension Services and Quality Improvement

- Follow up was done after the Task Force Activity on Enhancement of Coffee Quality that was carried out in Greater Masaka Sub-Region during June 2016. There is improvement in post-harvest activities, and there was increased payment for Licenses by those who had been previously defaulting.
- There was low volumes of production are expected though of but better quality for both the main and minor crops below and above the Equator respectively.

6.2. Coffee Promotion Activities

- The 24th Source of the Nile Agricultural and Trade Show at Jinja show ground took place from 11th to 17th July 2016 under the theme “Promoting Sustainable Agricultural Land Management for Agricultural Transformation and Wealth Creation.” The opening ceremony was graced by H.E The President accompanied by the Minister of State for Animal Industry Hon. Joy Kabatsi. The UCDA stall attracted more than 1,400 show goers who were sensitized about the entire coffee value chain.

6.2.1 Capacity building of industry players through Training and Skills Development

- 80 processors and traders were trained about elementary basic quality control in Rukungiri and Ntungamo districts. Processors in Lwengo (42), Luweero/Nakaseke (26), and Kiboga (14) were also trained. Participants were taught how to analyse FAQ aimed at improving capacity their capacity to differentiate quality FAQ.
- They were taught how to analyse coffee; retention, FAQ grades, out turn, identification of defects, effect of high moisture on quality. They were also sensitized about the UCDA regulations.
- 21 roasters and brewers in Arua trained on coffee roasting, brewing techniques and sensory evaluation. The training was aimed at improving the skills of brewers and roasters to prepare high quality coffee.
- UCDA trained farmers and processors in Kasese (68), Bushenyi (55), Rukungiri (54) and Ibanda (81) on coffee quality, pricing and marketing. Determinants of coffee prices with relation to quality also explained, causes of price fluctuations and conversion of coffee prices was taught.
- Conducted an R graders course for 15 participants and 7 retakers. This was the first course to be facilitated by a Ugandan trainer. This is aimed at enhancing skills of cuppers to be able to differentiate and identify specialty coffees.
- Trained 37 farmers and processors in value addition in Luwero. Trained participants on adding value to coffee by practicing good post-harvest handling, selling graded coffee, specialty, and roasted coffee. Benefits of being in farmer groups were explained.
- UCDA trained 18 university interns in basic quality control. These were trained in green grading, cupping, roasting and barista and field work.

6.2.2 Domestic Coffee Consumption

- Promoted coffee consumption in Kabarole and Hoima districts in coffee consumption promotion campaign. Over 500 cups of coffee were provided for tasting and benefits of taking coffee were explained. Observed a high demand for coffee beverage although access to affordable quality coffee is still a challenge in the area.

- Promoted domestic coffee consumption at the Jinja Agricultural show. Over 600 cups of coffee were provided for tasting and benefits of drinking coffee were explained.
- Promoted domestic coffee consumption among health professionals at Kabale Referral hospital and at Kisoro Municipality. Over 800 cups of coffee were provided for tasting and benefits of drinking coffee were explained.
- Promoted local domestic consumption at the Kyankwanzi NRM retreat. Over 1000 cups of coffee were provided and health benefits of coffee were explained

Coffee productivity improvement meeting with Malaysian Delegation

UCDA, NAADS and MAAIF officials together with the H.E Stephen Mubiru, the Ambassador of Malaysia held a meeting on 4th July 2016 with Ms. Mina Choi, a Consultant with Dhong Oh group from Malaysia that handles fertilizers and machinery. In her presentation, Ms Mina Choi Dhong proposed that a soil nutrition status ought to be determined in order to apply the right fertilizers with the optimum quantities of Nitrogen, Phosphorous and Potassium. She also proposed phases to be implemented where a Malaysian private investor could invest in the fertilizer production under a Joint Venture between Dhong Oh and Government of Uganda. It was agreed that Dhong Oh writes a concept note to the PS MAAIF by end of July 2016 to actualize the proposal, carries out a feasibility study to ascertain the demand for fertilizers in the country and also soil nutrition status in order to produce appropriate fertilizers which would address the critical nutrient deficiencies of: Nitrogen, Phosphorous and Potassium as well as packaging that appeals to farmers' to ensure uptake bearing in mind that quite a big proportion of farmers is in the category of small holder.

7.0 OUTLOOK FOR AUGUST 2016

August exports are projected at 265,000 bags. The main season in South Western regions and fly crop in Bugisu region are underway.

8.0 UPCOMING EVENTS

- Consultative meeting for code of conduct for coffee sector player in Kamuli, Iganga, Kisoro and Ntungamo: **8th to 12th August 2016**
- Coffee on the Road coffee promotion in Masaka : **29th August to 2nd September 2016**
- Elementary basic quality control training in Kayunga, Kamuli, Iganga, Buikwe: **29th August to 2nd September 2016**
- Farmer training in Iganga, Mayuge, Bugiri, Mbale, Bulambuli and Sironko
- Roasting training for UCRA members in Kampala
- Barista and Brewers training in Jinja.
- Reginal consultative meetings to capture views to promote domestic coffee consumption in Mbarara and Mbale districts **8th -10th August and 15th -17th August respectively.**
- Monitoring exercise to ascertain survival rates of planted coffee in all coffee growing districts.
- **2nd - 4th November 2016.** Dubai, United Arab Emirates; International Coffee & Tea Festival. This festival will provide Professionals and coffee/tea businesses

the exposure to promote their products, launch new concepts and seek new business channels. www.coffeeteafest.com

- 2ND - 4TH September 2016 Boston. Uganda North America Convention and Expo. 3 Days of the Ugandan networking, business and education forums and political governance debates. www.unaa.org/convention