SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE TANZANIA (SAT)

INVITATION TO ATTEND THE 13TH WORKSHOP ON PARTICIPATORY RESEARCH DESIGN (WPRD) ON 12TH DECEMBER 2026

INTRODUCTION

Sustainable Agriculture Tanzania (SAT) is pleased to invite students from SUA to participate in the upcoming Workshop on Participatory Research Design (WPRD).
This workshop is part of our Farmer-Centered Agroecology Research (FCAR) model, which ensures that research ideas originate from real farmer challenges and that solutions are designed collaboratively.

WHY THIS WORKSHOP?

Farmers partnering with SAT have identified priority challenges affecting their crop production and livestock, post-harvest management, and marketing.
This workshop will allow students to:

- Engage directly with farmers and pastoralists to understand real agricultural and market problems.
- Develop skills in participatory research, agroecology, and community engagement.
- Contribute to innovation that strengthens sustainable agriculture in Tanzania.

KEY FARMER-IDENTIFIED RESEARCH CLUSTERS

Students will collaborate with farmers to design research on the following problems/Research clusters:

i. Crop and livestock pest and disease management
ii. Post-Harvest handling Issues
iii. Marketing
iv. Soil management

Additional Farmer Presentations

Farmers will also present other emerging crop and livestock challenges, providing a wider range of research opportunities for students in agriculture, animal science, veterinary medicine, rural development, crop production and management, environment, agribusiness, and related disciplines.

WHAT TO EXPECT

The workshop will include:

- Introduction to SAT's FCAR approach
- Farmer presentations on field challenges

- Previous research studies 2025/2026
- Group work to co-develop researchable titles

RESEARCH FUNDS

The maximum research funds supported to undergraduate is TZS 1,100,000/= and TZS 4,500,000/= to post graduate students. The only way to get these funds is to participate in the workshop and later participate in the concept note challenge.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

The workshop is open to:

- Sokoine University of Agriculture (SUA) Undergraduates (only year 3 students and year 5 students for BVM students) and postgraduate students
- Students from Agriculture, Livestock, Environmental Science, Social Sciences, Rural Development, Agribusiness, Animal Science, Veterinary Medicine, Crop Production and Management, and related fields
- Students passionate about agroecology, innovation, and working directly with farming and pastoralists communities

DATE, TIME & VENUE

- Date: 12th December 2026
- Time: 08:00 AM – 04:00 PM
- Venue: MLT 9 SUA

PARTICIPATION

To participate in this workshop, please send your expression of interest (EI) to participate in this workshop through our communication email wprd@kilimo.org no later than 6th December 2026. The EI should not exceed 100 characters. Those who write a good EI will be invited to attend the workshop. The EI should have your full name, registration number, Degree program, Phone number, and your email address.

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JOIN US IN CO-CREATING SOLUTIONS WITH FARMERS

Be part of a unique platform where students, farmers, and researchers come together to generate practical innovations for sustainable agriculture. Your participation will contribute to real change in farming communities across Tanzania.