



INNOVATE TODAY. NOURISH TOMORROW.

Greetings from the Caribbean Poultry Association (CPA)
In Observance of World Food Day 2026: "Innovate Today, Nourish Tomorrow"

The Caribbean Poultry Association (CPA) joins our CARICOM partners, regional governments, and the global agricultural community in marking World Food Day 2026 under the crucial theme, "Innovate Today, Nourish Tomorrow".

As the primary supplier of animal-based protein in the region—providing close to 82% of the high-quality protein consumed by Caribbean citizens, the poultry industry stands at the absolute vanguard of regional food security. To nourish tomorrow's generations amid climate volatility, global supply-chain disruptions, and rising input costs, we are continuously scaling up technological and systemic innovations.

Driving Regional Innovation

To deliver on our strategic long-term vision—including boosting broiler meat production across CARICOM—the CPA and its member operations are actively redefining Caribbean poultry systems in arrays including:

- **Climate-Smart Farming & Automation:** Transitioning to modern tunnel-ventilated housing systems and automated precision environmental controls to shield flocks from extreme regional heatwaves and severe weather.
- **Biosecurity:** Rigid on-farm biosecurity protocols to protect livestock from transboundary diseases while enhancing bird health and feed conversion efficiency.
- **Data-Driven Feed Solutions:** Collaborating closely with regional feed manufacturers to integrate data analytics and precision nutrition, optimising uses of local feed inputs to keep poultry products affordable and competitive.

Empowering the Agricultural Value Chain

Nourishing the region requires more than production; it depends on a sustainable, connected socio-economic ecosystem. Innovation also means reshaping collaboration between large integrators and small-scale farmers. The CPA remains committed to integrating small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), women, and young agripreneurs into our technology-driven logistics networks.

With increased local grain production (such as the expanding corn and soya bean sectors in Belize and Guyana), we are reducing the Caribbean's dependency on extra-regional imports as mandated under the CARICOM 25 by 2025+5 initiative.

A Call for Shared Regional Action

The ambitious goal of achieving food security cannot be realized by private industry or individual nations working in isolation. On this World Food Day, the CPA calls upon CARICOM governments and international partner agencies to partner with the private sector to:

1. **Modernise Intra-Regional Trade Protocols:** Harmonize sanitary and phytosanitary frameworks to allow seamless, rapid movement of poultry products and hatching eggs across Caribbean borders.
2. **Strengthen Farmer Support** – Ensure ongoing access to training, technology, extension support, and veterinary services.
3. **Improve Access to Capital:** Back innovative initiatives that extend affordable financing to livestock producers updating their infrastructure with modern tech and climate smart solutions.

By innovating today through science, infrastructure, and regional cooperation, the Caribbean poultry sector will continue to reliably and sustainably nourish our people tomorrow.

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