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VSU RESEARCH QUARTERLY REPORT OF ACCOMPLISHMENT FORM [January 1 to March 31, 2022]

Research Title: Establishment of Ten Hectares Abaca Hybrid Plantation at VSU and Evaluation of Fiber Quality for the Pulp Industry (Reported as Terminated Project)

I. Program/Project/Study Objectives (Please specify if it is a program/ project/study):

Project Title: Establishment of Ten Hectares Abaca Hybrid Plantation at VSU and Evaluation of Fiber Quality for the Pulp Industry

Objectives

- 1.To establish a 10-hectare abaca hybrids plantation.
- 2.To evaluate their fiber quality for the pulp and paper industry.
- 3.To determine the economic feasibility of the abaca hybrids in commercial scale.
- 4.To develop IEC materials and conduct farmers field day for abaca farmers
- II. Relevance to VSU & College's Thrust and Priorities: Relevant
- III. Highlights of accomplishments within the quarter
 - A. Targets for the quarter

Possible continuation of producing Bandala fibers for commercial pulping.

- B. Highlights of accomplishments
 - The project 2nd extension was officially ended/terminated on October 2021.
 - Continuation of activities were still conducted in the last quarter of last year (Oct-Dec 2021).
 - Still waiting for SPMI's response regarding the possibility that they will conduct the commercial pulping test even if the needed volume of fiber is less than 3.5 tons. And, whether they are willing to purchase decorticated fiber from Bandala hybrid. These information are needed by VSU and PCAARDD to finance the continuation or extension of the project.
 - Terminal Report making.
 - Proposal making.



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