



***** MONTHLY BULLETIN *****

The Monthly Bulletin is compiled from information retrieved from Monthly migrant pest reports received from SADC member countries and IRLCO-CSA.

MIGRANT PEST REPORTS AND MAP FOR JULY 2002

Migrant pest reports for July 2002 were received from: *Angola, Lesotho, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa (locusts + Quelea), Swaziland, Tanzania, Zambia and IRLCO-CSA.*

No reports were received from: Botswana, Malawi, and Zimbabwe.

SUMMARY

No reports of armyworm outbreaks were received from the region.

Except for reports of red locust concentrations and swarms which persisted in Tanzania, the red locust situation in the region remained calm. No reports of other locust species were received.

Quelea birds continued being a problem to small grain crops in Tanzania whereas elsewhere in the region the situation remained calm.

Armyworm (Figure 1)

No reports of armyworm were received from member countries.

Locusts (Figure 1)

Tanzania: (IRLCO-CSA report) Red locust concentrations and swarms, which were located during survey operations in June in the Iku-Katavi, Malagarasi and Wembere outbreak areas, persisted. Control operations are scheduled to commence in August.

The red locust situation in the outbreak areas of Malawi, Mozambique and Zambia, remained quiet.

No reports of other locust species were received from the region.

Red-Billed Quelea (Figure 1)

Tanzania: (IRLCO-CSA report) Quelea birds continued being a problem to small grain cereal crops in the Arusha region. Control operations were undertaken by Plant Health Services in collaboration with the Desert Locust Control Organisation for Eastern Africa (DLCO-EA), who supplied the spray aircraft. No further details were provided.



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No further outbreaks of Quelea birds were received.

GENERAL NOTICES

1. Please inform the Project Co-ordinator of any website addresses or forthcoming workshops that may be of relevance to our group.
2. Armyworm samples as still needed for the DNA analysis project in the UK. Contact the Project Co-ordinator for further details.
3. Collaborators are kindly reminded to make sure that ICOSAMP migrant pest monthly reporting forms are sent to the Co-Ordinator by the **5th day of the following month**, so that the information can be included in the Monthly Bulletins. Reports should be sent even if **NO** migrant pests were found, or **NO** surveys were conducted.

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www.sadc-fanr.org.zw/intro.htm - SADC-FANR homepage.

www.arc.agric.za - Agricultural Research Council, South Africa

www.weathersa.co.za - South African Weather Bureau Service

www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov/products/african_desk - Climate Prediction Centre - Africa Desk. A website providing short term climate and monitoring predictions for Africa.

www.npmoc.navy.mil - Joint Typhoon Warning Centre. click on "Satellite Imagery". Scroll down to the box with the "Meteosat 7 Imagery" and click on "M7 Western Indian Ocean" for the most recent satellite image of Africa.

www.web-agri.com - Web-Agri. A useful search engine for agricultural information.

www.fao.org/news/global/locusts/locuhome.htm - FAO locust home page

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Figure 1. Migrant Pest Situation Map for SADC Region: July 2002

