



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

The Monthly Bulletin is compiled from information retrieved from monthly Migrant Pest Reports received from SADC member countries, IRLCO-CSA, and the Armyworm Forecasting Service.

MIGRANT PEST REPORTS AND MAP FOR MAY 2005

Migrant pest reports for May 2005 were received from:

Angola, Lesotho, Mozambique, South Africa (I), Zambia, and IRLCO-CSA.

No reports were received from: *Botswana, Congo, Malawi, Namibia, South Africa (Q), Swaziland, Tanzania, or Zimbabwe.*

SUMMARY (Fig.1)

No outbreaks of the African armyworm were reported from the SADC member countries.

Locusts. Mozambique reported isolated populations of red locusts in the Lake Chilwa, Chiuta and Buzi-Gorongosa outbreak areas. Red locust populations persisted in the outbreak areas in Tanzania. No further reports of locusts were received from the Region.

Quelea were controlled on 2 sites in Tanzania. No further reports were received.

ARMYWORM

The region remained FREE of armyworm infestations.

LOCUSTS

Mozambique (A Ngazero). Surveys were undertaken in two outbreak areas, and isolated populations of red locust adults were observed in the Lake Chilwa, Chiuta, and Buzi-Gorongosa outbreak areas.

Tanzania (IRLCO-CSA). Control of settled red locust swarms was undertaken in the Wembere plains and the North Rukwa plains, using 200 litres and 100 litres of Fenitrothion Technical respectively.

The remainder of the SADC Region remained calm.

RED-BILLED QUELEA

Tanzania (IRLCO-CSA). Quelea birds continued to cause problems to small grain cereal farmers in Mbarali and Kapunga rice schemes in Mbeya district, Musoma, Mara, and Kilimanjaro regions. Control of the birds was carried out using Fenthion 60%, by the Ministry of Agriculture & Food Security in collaboration with the DLCO-EA.

No further reports of Quelea birds in the SADC region were received.

GENERAL NOTICES

1. The reporting rate for May is 43%. Country collaborators are reminded that reports should reach the coordinator by the **end of the 1st week of the following month** so that they can be included in the Bulletin. Reports should be sent even if there were **NO** migrant pest outbreaks, or **NO** surveys were conducted.

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ON THE WEB

This month's highlighted websites are:

Early Warning

www-web.gre.ac.uk/directory/NRI/pcs/MetCCD0.htm - Armyworm forecasting

www.fews.net/south - Famine Early Warning System Network for southern Africa

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Figure 1. Migrant Pest Situation Map for SADC Region: May 2005

