

Constraints of Oil Palm Production in Ife Central Local Government Area of Osun State, Nigeria

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ABSTRACT The study investigated the constraints militating against oil palm production in Ife central Local Government Area (LGA) of Osun State, Nigeria. Specifically, it determined the proportion of tree crop growers that were involved in the cultivation of oil palm. The survey was carried out in eight selected villages in Ife central LGA. Information which were elicited from 102 farmers using structural interview schedule were analyzed using descriptive statistics. Majority (92.9%) of the farmers growing tree crops were producing oil palm in wild state. Lack of land, fund and inadequate information about oil palm cultivation were the major problems confronting the farmers. Therefore, the farmers should be encouraged to form cooperative societies to solve the tripartite problems.