

## **CARIBBEAN BEEKEEPING CONGRESS: Guidelines for Country Reports**

Country reports are intended to summarise the history of the beekeeping sector, its current status, and recommendation/plans for the future. The reports, when viewed collectively should give a realistic snapshot of the status of beekeeping in the region and should serve to inform initiatives towards ensuring the sustainability of the sector, while developing its competitiveness.

1. HISTORY / BACKGROUND OF BEEKEEPING
2. BEEKEEPING DEMOGRAPHICS
  - No. of beekeepers (sex, age, years of experience, education, full time/part time, etc. According to the availability of data)
  - Total no. of colonies, no of colonies per beekeeper, spatial distribution of colonies on island/country, etc.)
  - Categorisation of no. of colonies managed by beekeepers
3. APIARY MANAGEMENT
  - Race of bees
  - Indigenous/Stingless bees
  - Types of hives used
  - Products harvested/produced
  - Pest and disease issues
  - Main problems experienced
  - Main constraints to growth/development
  - Availability and source of extension services/support
4. BEEKEEPING ENTERPRISE
  - Type of enterprise
  - Products marketed /issues with marketing
  - Degree of mechanisation/ equipment used in sector
  - Source of labour/ labour issues
  - Determinants of market prices for products marketed
  - Estimated annual value of (tangible) beekeeping goods & services.
5. PROJECTIONS FOR SECTOR GROWTH/DEVELOPMENT

**Presentation time: Twenty (20) minutes.**