

Obuo John Peter Emaidits profile.

Obuo John Peter Emaidits is a Research Officer employed National Agricultural Research Organization (NARO). His station of work is National Semi-Arid Resource Research Institute (NaSARRI) – Serere. He has worked in NARO for 22 years. He holds a master's degree in Agriculture majoring in agronomy discipline. He has trained in both short and medium term courses, which include; Dryland farming, Learning together for change in integrated agricultural research for development (IAR4D), Farmer participatory Research and Market research, Marketing, Team building, stakeholder analysis, Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation and Management Information systems, Participatory Monitoring and Evaluation and Leadership



Obuo has championed in release of a number of high yielding cowpea and pigeonpea varieties which are now popular among farmers. He has popularized animal traction labour reducing technologies, upland rice production, improved cowpea, pigeonpea, sorghum, cassava and finger millet in many farming communities in eastern and northern regions of Uganda. He has been a member of teams that carried out a number of farming system analysis in most agro-ecological zones in Uganda. He has done some consultancy with Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO), UN-World Food Programme (WFP), Veterinarios Sin Fronteras (VSF-Spain) and Vredeseilanden. He has trained many farmers and extension workers on cowpea, greengram, sorghum, finger millet, cassava, rice, pigeonpea, groundnut, soybean, citrus and sunflower production, seed production and animal traction. He has collaborated with ICRISAT, JICA and IITA in implementing a number of projects. Over years since he joined NARO, he has been a project leader for 6 projects, which successfully implemented.

He has produced training manuals for animal traction, cowpea production, pigeonpea production, greengram and maize production.

Obuo has published a number of agricultural research papers in referral journals and also contributed to four chapters (14, 15, 16 and 17) in the book titled "Agriculture in Uganda".

Currently he is the programme leader Dryland legumes, a programme which is in-charge of all research in cowpeas, greengram and pigeonpea. He is also a member of disciplinary committee and a Chairperson of sub-contract committee at NaSARRI.