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Support to the National Service of Agrifood Health and Service (SENASA) of Honduras

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CONTEXT

- Support to the National Service of Agrifood Health and Safety (SENASA) originated in the institution's participation in National Trade Facilitation Committee of Honduras (NTFC):

CONFACO's Strategic Plan



STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 1:

Reduction of time and cost in customs dispatch to expedite trade crossing borders.



STRATEGIC RESULTS:

- Reduction of clearance time
- Reduction of cost for trade operators
- Simplified procedures



STRATEGIC RESULTS:

- Coordination between institutions
- Simplification and harmonization of processes
- Use of technology



Base for the support provided to SENASA

SUPPORT PROVIDED

- New import licenses system

Development of IT modules to issue import licenses for plant products, animals, veterinary products and pesticides.

81% Time reduction to issue an import license

BEFORE:

60
HOURS

NOW:

11
HOURS



Increase in the number of issued licenses.

13%

Estimated savings of
US\$ 5.2 million
per year for the private sector

SUPPORT PROVIDED

- Coordination between Customs and SENASA

Development of IT modules that interconnect Customs with SENASA to allow for integrated border inspections.

36%

Time reduction for the clearance of goods at Puerto Cortés

BEFORE:

8.8
DAYS

NOW:

5.6
DAYS



Estimated savings of
US\$ 10.7 million
per year for the private
sector

SUPPORT PROVIDED

- New online payments system



More secure



Increased traceability



Interconnected with
the Ministry of Finance

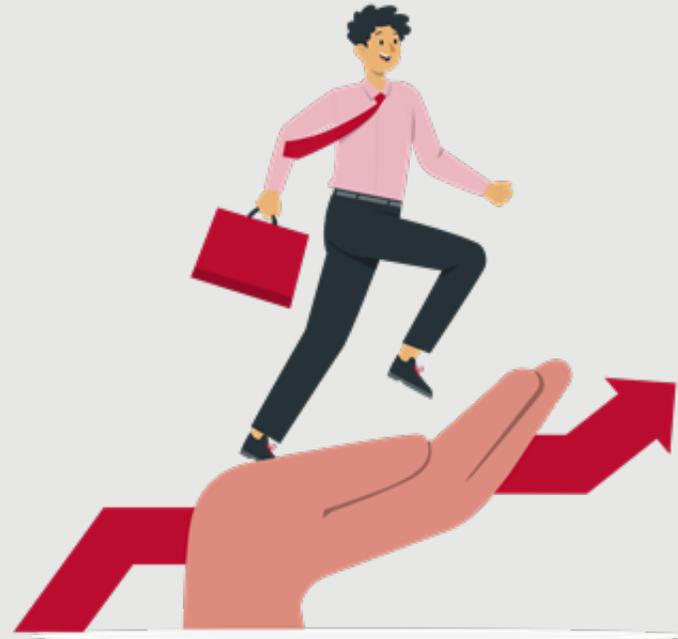


SUPPORT PROVIDED

- Capacity building

18

Training sessions developed on topics related to: leadership, proactivity, change management, users service, and more.



136

Agricultural officers strengthened their skills to provide a better service

3,700

Personhours of training

SUPPORT PROVIDED

- Updated regulations

Review and update of:

Regulations for the registration, control, inspection, approval and certification of food establishments

Under review prior to sending for international consultation with the WTO

Regulation on the registration, use and control of pesticides and related substances

In international consultation with the WTO

Agricultural quarantine regulations

Under review after international consultation with the WTO