



“I believe that my practical learning through shared experience and theories taught at the Coady is enriching. My skills are being sharpened daily and I believe this will give me an added advantage in empowering communities using participatory approaches and presenting knowledge and technologies in a simplified manner.”

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As a research institute we develop agricultural technologies to increase production, respond to climate change, increase rural incomes, and improve living standards. I am involved in up scaling these technologies through on-going trials for further performance evaluation with the communities for purposes of adopting affordable technologies. I train community groups on leadership skills, conflict management, proposal writing and developing strategic plans. The Coady experience brings quality to my every day life as a professional and as a citizen.

KARI contributes, together with its partners, agricultural innovations and knowledge towards improved livelihoods and commercialization of agriculture through increasing productivity and fostering value-chains while concerning the environment. One of the core values of the institute is to have a quick response to clients, including policy-makers, partners and collaborators, staff and particularly the farming community and producers.

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