

## TAA ZAMBIA BRANCH REPORT.

The TAA Zambia Branch convened an Inaugural Meeting on the 26<sup>th</sup> August 2015 at House 47, Kansenshi, Ndola.



**Chris Kapembwa**

**Dr Pannet 'Chris' Kapembwa** hosted the meeting, which was attended by 24 potential members (including six agriculture staff from the ministry of agriculture, led by the district senior agriculture officer, farmers' representatives and an agriculture Journalist from the AgriCorp Newspaper. Chris introduced the participants to the TAA - who we are, its aims, its activities, benefits, and branches and why there was a need for a national branch in Zambia.

The participants realized that this was an association that could add much value to the development of agriculture in Zambia and neighboring countries. Zambia is now looked upon as the hub of agriculture development in sub-Saharan Africa. It was agreed that Dr Chris Kapembwa would continue organizing the Branch and be assisted by the senior Agriculture Officer's office from the ministry of agriculture, under the office of the District Agriculture Coordinator.

An interim committee will be established, once participants have perused the TAA Constitution, to help the organizer to quickly mobilize the farmers and communities towards the aims of TAA national branch. The next meeting will be on 29<sup>th</sup> September. Participants will share challenges that can be considered for discussions before the end of the year. Generally the branch has started on an exciting speed we look forward to more support from the TAA headquarters and other already established branches.

Meantime, the TAA Executive Committee will meet in London on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2015 to formalize the Zambia Branch.

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**Inaugural Meeting Team**