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## Sierra Leone Cotton Tree Partnership Linkage Project

<b>Country:</b>	Sierra Leone
<b>Source of Funding:</b>	Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) Saint Mary's University and partner institutions
<b>Project Number:</b>	01843-54390
<b>Total Project Value:</b>	\$121,416
<b>CIDA Contributions:</b>	\$82,520
<b>Sectors:</b>	Community Development Participatory Development
<b>Start/End Dates:</b>	March 11, 1994 – December 31, 1995
<b>Duration:</b>	20 months
<b>Description:</b>	The overall goal of this project was to develop long-term social and economic linkages between citizens of Nova Scotia and Sierra Leone. To accomplish this, the project strategy comprised two phases; the contributions agreement between Saint Mary's University's International Education Centre, and CIDA/NGO Division related to the first of these phases. Phase I focused on development education and on defining an organizational framework for a future Phase II, which was to include longer-term community development activities. A dynamic outreach program increased understanding amongst Nova Scotians, particularly African Nova Scotians, about Sierra Leone's circumstances and development needs. Unfortunately, political instability in that country limited in-country activities, and continues to do so up to the present time.
<b>Partner Institution:</b>	Ministry of Education, Sierra Leone

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