

## OBJECTIVE.

In broad terms the objective of this study was twofold:-

- (a) To gain experience in the survey method of approach to a district. This implies both the approach to an individual peasant, with an enquiring mind seeking to learn of his methods and ideas, and the approach to a district as a whole when one seeks to study first the position thoroughly as it is, and to understand its way of life, its farming systems and its problems.
  
- (b) To collect any information on methods, systems or techniques which may be of some value either as a basis for local research and extension, or for application in the peasant farming areas in New Guinea.

The aim in writing this report on the study has therefore been not only to present selected detailed facts concerning the area, but also to try and illustrate that method of approach.

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