

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2

Review of action taken report of 65th meeting of Extension Council.

ACTION TAKEN REPORT

2.1 On the issue of improving functioning of Farmers' Mall, shifting the office of TNAU, Coimbatore was discussed at length and it was decided that the committee headed by Incharge, CATAT should proactively find out the facts and resolve the issue in collaboration with Estate section of IARI within one month

(Action: I/c CATAT, Head Team, Estate section of IARI)

- It was decided by the authority to convert the three room suites at the first and second floor of the Pusa Kisan Mall into farmers' Guest house annex.
- In this regard, an Initiative was taken to shift the office of the TNAU, Coimbatore functioning from the 2nd floor of the Pusa Kisan Mall. Previously the status of the allotment of three room suites at the second floor of Pusa Kisan Mall to TNAU, Coimbatore was not known.
- A proceeding was moved in this regard and it has come to light that following an agreement, IARI has allotted the space to TNAU, Coimbatore at Pusa Kisan Mall in lieu of 15 acre land allotted to the Institute at Aduthurai, Tamil Nadu for rice breeding programme, in addition to 4200m² land for building infrastructure.
- It was made clear that as per the standing agreement, the TNAU office may not be moved out of the Pusa Kisan Mall.
- Consequently, three room suites at the first floor of the Mall was considered for conversion into Farmers' Guest house annex and accordingly, the sanction approval for the same had been obtained from the competent authority.
- Subsequently, the sanction for equipping the guest house with necessary fixtures was taken. The furnishing of the guest house with the furniture and fixtures is being undertaken at present.

2.2 On the issue of committee for reporting success stories, technology screening for their extension and utilization of awardee farmers, it was discussed that the committee outputs need to be operationalized.

(Action: Jt. Director (Extension))

- This has been operationalized.

2.3 On the issue of discontinuation of extension activities presentation in Extension Council Meeting it was decided that the extension activities at divisional level and regional station level will be presented two days prior to Extension Council Meeting in the Chairmanship of Jt. Director (Extension) at IARI headquarter and the agenda items raised there will be made part of Extension Council Meeting for policy decision. The divisional presentations will follow technology day celebrations on previous day of Extension Council Meeting.

(Action: Jt. Director-Extn, All Heads of Divisions/Regional Stations)

- This has been implemented from this year onwards.

3.1 The structure of Extension Council will be revisited with inclusion of VO representative (2) Agro industry representative (1), Doordarshan representative (1) and AIR representative (1) for a tenure of three years. It was decided that the proposal for restructuring Extension Council and issue of TA and boarding/lodging expenses be submitted at the earliest for their formalization.

(Action: JD(Extn.)/Head, Ag. Extn)

- Proposal was submitted and approved by Board of Management, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi and this year they have been invited.

3.2 It was decided that modalities for selection of farmers for participatory seed production (PSP) programmes be devised. The procedures may also be devised for inclusion of production unit members in the process of selection of farmers for P.S.P. The tenure (maximum) of each participating farmers also be streamlined (not more than five years)

(Action: I/c SPU, Head, SST, JD-Extn)

- A committee has been constituted by the competent authority in this regard (Dr. Sanjay Kumar, Dr. J.P.S. Dabas and Dr. R.R. Burman) and detailed guidelines have been devised for selection of farmers.
- Production Unit members are members of this committee.

3.3 The possibilities for outsourcing of seed processing and storage to increase the capacity of seed production be explored.

(Action: I/c SPU, Head, SST)

- Quotations have been collected from some reputed processing companies, but storage facilities are not available at processing plant. Transportation cost is also a major concern as these plants are far away from Delhi.

3.4 All effort should be made to make technologies including varieties and strains, available to extension system of the Institute on priority basis. It was decided that a standing committee be constituted to enumerate the transferable technologies. The committee will also devise modus operandi for the adaptive trials as well as demonstrations of the technologies at farmers' field.

(Action: Jt. Director (Extn)/Director)

- Standing Committee of following members has been constituted

Jt. Director (Research)	Chairman
Head, Genetics	Member
Head, Agril. Chemicals	Member
Incharge, SPU	Member
Incharge, CATAT	Member

- The seventeen technologies have been identified and published.

3.5 It was decided that all HODs should provide list of experts and their contact numbers to attend to Pusa Call Centre. A new machine capable of transferring the phone calls to experts will be procured at ATIC for smooth functioning of Pusa Call Centre. A list of technologies will be prepared in consultation of all HODs (to be demonstrated at ATIC Cafeteria). Effort should be made to make available all technologies at ATIC with corresponding literature.

(I/c, ATIC, All HODs, JD-Extn)

- The list of experts by various divisions stand supplied to ATIC incharge. The experts on ATIC roll are as follows:

Nematology:

1. Dr. Harender Kumar, PS, Mo 7982380192, e-mail: hksharma@iari.res.in

2. Dr. Matyar Rehman Khan, Professor, Mo 9540829296/9903385756, mrkhan@iari.res.in

Ag. Physics: List of experts and their contact numbers provided to Pusa Call Centre

Ag. Engineering: The list of experts with contact numbers from the division has already been provided to ATIC. The soft copies of divisional technologies was provided to ATIC.

Agronomy:

S. No.	Name of Scientist	Specialisation	Contact number
1.	Dr Dinesh Kumar	Rice production	9968233749
2.	Dr T K Das	Weed management	9868128266
3.	Dr Y S Shivay	Nutrient management	9868337578
4.	Dr K S Rana	Drylands	9891683993
5.	Dr Shiva Dhar	Biomass production	9868354933
6.	Dr Anchal Das	Water management	8527759564
7.	Dr S SRathore	Oilseeds	9958652094
8.	Dr Raj Singh	Rainfed farming	9717407290
9.	Dr V K Singh	Farming system	9821349639
10.	Dr S L Meena	Dryland Agronomy	7982083502
11.	Dr Rajiv Kumar	Quality seed Agronomy	7042412069

Microbiology: Dr. YV Singh: 9868416215, Dr. G. Abraham :9871778380, Dr. Archana Suman: 9873755010 and Dr. Livleen Shukla: 8800933066

Plant Pathology: Dr. M. S. Saharan, PS, 9416988856, Dr. Dinesh Singh, PS, 9968246428, Dr. Bishnu Maya, Scientist, 9818386064

Ag. Chemicals:

Pusa Hydrogel	Dr. Anupama (8920154670), Dr. Tirthankar Banerjee (8826368562), Dr. Suman manna (9015650979), Dr. Neeraj Patanjali (8750907755)
Neem Coated Urea	Dr. Rajesh Kumar (9810760252)
Anthocyanin and Neem based	Dr. Supradip Saha (9013127773)

products	
Biopesticides	Dr. V. S. Rana (9899109141)
Nanotechnology	Dr. N. A. Shakil (9818196164)

Biochemistry: Dr. Aruna Tyagi (Hindi), Dr. Vinutha T. (Kannada & Tamil) and Mrs. Veda Krishnan (Malayalam)

IARI RS, Pune: Experts in Termite Management, Virology and Papaya cultivation.

3.6 The issue of recognition of scientist engaged in extension activities was discussed in detail. It was decided that a standing committee need to be constituted to draft guidelines for recognition of extension scientist in the line of IARI-Best Teacher award and recognition of extension scientist in technology commercialization and transfer. It was also decided to have a standing committee to decide the possibilities of awarding production unit members and other scientists engaged in extension activities.

(Action: Director/JD-Extn)

- Standing Committee of following members:

Dr. S.P. Kimothi	Chairman
Dr. J.P. Sharma	Co-Chairman
Dr. R.N. Padaria	Member
Head, FHT	Member
Head, Agronomy	Member
Dr. K.M. Manjaiya	Member
Incharge, CATAT	Member

- Guidelies have been drafted.

3.7 Regarding change of name of Centre for Agricultural Technology, Assessment and Transfer (CATAT), it was decided that the suggestions of new name of CATAT may be sought from Scientists and TO of the Institute.

(Action: JD-Extn/I/c-CATAT)

- Suggestions were invited from Scientists, PU Members and Nodal Officers of collaborative programmes. Following proposed names are received:

1. Centre for Technology Acceleration (CTA)
2. Center for Technology Integration (CTI)
3. Center for Agricultural Technology Integration (CATI)
4. Center for Agriculture Technology (CAT)
5. Center for Farmer Centric Research and Technology Acceleration (CFCRTA)
6. Center for Technology Upscaling and Transfer (CTUT)
7. Centre for Outreach Extension (COE)
8. National Extension Centre (NEC)
9. Centre for National Extension (CNE)
10. Centre for Technology Transfer and Farmers Welfare (CTT&FW)

However final decision regarding the change of the name is yet to be taken.

- 3.8 On the issue of phasing out of out-reach programme, it was decided that a committee be formulated to suggest the modus operandi to deal with the partners in extension programme

(Action: JD-Extn)

- Standing Committee of following members:

Dr. J.P. Sharma	Chairman
Dr. R.Burman	Member
Head, SSAC	Member
Head, Veg.Sc.	Member
Incharge, CPCT	Member

- 3.9 In order to sort out and decide on the prioritization and budgeting for extension, a committee with inclusion of audit and administration be formulated.

(Action: JD-Extn/Head-Ag. Extn/I-c, CATAT)

- Standing Committee of following members:

Head, Agril. Extension	Chairman
Incharge CATAT	Member
Incharge ATIC	Member
Dr. Prabhat Kumar	Member

Comptroller or his nominee

Member

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Member