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Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
(Crops & PHMF Division, NFSM-Cell)

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi,
Dated: 27th May, 2022

To,

Assistant Director General (Agri. Extn.)
ICAR, Division of Agriculture Extension
Krishi Anusandhan Bhavan-I,
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Sub: Administrative approval for the Project on “Cluster Frontline Demonstrations on Pulses during 20-22-23” funding under NFSM-regarding.

Sir,

I am directed convey the approval of the competent authority for the project entitled “Cluster Frontline Demonstrations on Pulses during 2022-23” funding under Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National Food Security Mission (NFSM) for the financial year 2022-23 with a total outlay of **Rs. 35,61,18,400 (thirty-five crores sixty-one lakh eighteen thousand four hundred only)**. Cluster Frontline Demonstration trials project on new varieties and technology will be done through ICAR, KVKs.


2. The component wise/ATARI/Zone-wise budget approved is as under: -

(Amount in Rs)

Implementing agency/ Zone	No. Of KVK	No of Demon & Area in ha ()	Budget for Cluster Demon @ Rs.9000/ ha (in Rs.)	Contractual Staff (amount in Rs.)*			Zonal Workshop cum Training	Group meeting (amount in Rs)	Misc. exp. (in Rs)	Total amount (in Rs.)
				SRF (for 12 month) No.in ()	DEO (for 12 month) No.in ()	PTA (for 6 month) No.in ()				
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ATARI,Zone -I, Ludhiana	61	6800 (2720)	24480000	495600 (1)	300000 (1)	600000 (10)	90000	50000	30000	26045600
ATARI, Zone -II, Jodhpur	63	10775 (4310)	38790000	495600 (1)	300000 (1)	1740000 (29)	90000	50000	30000	41495600
ATARI,Zone-III, Kanpur	88	14200 (5680)	51120000	1029000 (2)	600000 (2)	1800000 (30)	90000	50000	30000	54719000
ATARI,Zone-IV, Patna	64	12225 (4890)	44010000	495600 (1)	300000 (1)	2280000 (38)	90000	50000	30000	47255600
ATARI,Zone-V, Kolkata	55	9725 (3890)	35010000	533400 (1)	300000 (1)	2040000 (34)	90000	50000	30000	38053400
ATARI,Zone-VI, Guwahati	36	4050 (1620)	14580000	495600 (1)	300000 (1)	360000 (6)	90000	50000	30000	15905600
ATARI,Zone-VII, Barapani	22	2425 (970)	8730000	457800 (1)	300000 (1)	180000 (3)	90000	50000	30000	9837800
ATARI,Zone-VIII, Pune	70	7900 (3160)	28440000	533400 (1)	300000 (1)	540000 (9)	90000	50000	30000	29983400
ATARI,Zone-IX, Jabalpur	78	12475 (4990)	44910000	495600 (1)	300000 (1)	1740000 (29)	90000	50000	30000	47615600
ATARI,Zone-X, Hyderabad	66	7850 (3140)	28260000	533400 (1)	300000 (1)	360000 (6)	90000	50000	30000	29623400
ATARI,Zone-XI, Bangalore	38	3950 (1580)	14220000	533400 (1)	300000 (1)	360000 (6)	90000	50000	30000	15583400
Total	641	92375 (36950)	332550000	6098400 (12)	3600000 (12)	12000000 (200)	990000	550000	330000	356118400

* Contractual staff one SRF and one data entry operator for each ATARI and ICAR headquarter.

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3. The above project has been approved with the following conditions:

- The demonstrations of each pulse crop should be organized in cluster approach (at least 10 ha. in each cluster).
- ICAR should provide seed as one of the critical inputs to farmers for organization of demonstrations.
- The High Yielding Varieties of pulse crops to be included in the demonstrations should not be older than 10 years.
- More focus should be given to Pigeonpea and Lentil than other pulses crop.
- More focus should be given to organize demonstration on pulses in rice fallow areas in eastern India.
- Critical input amounting Rs. 8200/- out of Rs. 9000/- for Pulses should be provided to beneficiary farmers, Rs. 250/- for Organization of Field Day, Rs. 150/- for Display board publicity material (posters/pamphlets/leaflets etc.), Rs. 300/- for Visit of scientists excluding TA/DA, but hiring of Taxi/POL etc. and Rs. 100/- for Contingencies/typing of results/ minutes etc.
- Chemical fertilizers are not allowed as input under FLD. However, payment of various operations/ services and inputs (seed, bio-fertilizers, soil ameliorants, micro-nutrients etc.) are allowed. Farmers have to apply recommended dose of chemical fertilizers to attain potential yield.
- The scientists from KVK will conduct visit to the demonstrations site to resolve problem on spot.
- Each KVK will furnish cafeteria of interventions for each crop to be undertaken at the demonstration site.
- For individual farmer, FLDs should not exceed more than 0.80 ha.
- The qualification and salary of Senior Research Fellow and Data Entry Operator is admissible as per the approved norms of the ICAR/University.
- One SRF and one Data entry operator is allowed at ICAR, headquarter, New Delhi.
- Traveling Allowance and Daily Allowance is admissible as per norms of Govt. of India.
- The organization of workshop cum training and group meetings should be organized as per norms of ICAR.
- The list of beneficiary-farmers should be maintained at each ATARI level.
- The contribution of individual intervention should also be documented.
- KVKs which shall conduct FLDs in 100 ha or more area during both the cropping season of a year is allowed to hire Pulse Technology Agents (PTAs) for 12 months and KVK which shall conduct FLDs in at least 50 ha or more area either in Kharif, Rabi and Summer season is allowed PTA for six months.
- **All implementing ATARIs should ensure to organize at least 10% of the C-FLDs on bio-fortified variety of pulses or as per availability of seed in the districts with high burden of malnutrition.**
- **KVK should ensure to organize at least 10% of the CFLDs in the Aspirational districts identified by this Department to increase the production, productivity of pulses and income of farmer.**
- **Under CFLDs full package kit like seed, INM, IPM material should be given to farmers at the time of sowing.**
- Each KVK should try to choose interior areas; farmers have generally been deprived of demonstrations conducted by extension agencies.
- KVK should focus on use of micro-nutrients, soil ameliorants and IPM practices.
- Each ATARI designated for a particular zone will prepare a detailed report on the demonstrations of pulses and a final report will be submitted by Agricultural Extension Division, ICAR, New Delhi.
- Geo-tagging of all CFLDs is compulsory which is to be included by each KVKs during 2022-23.
- In view renewed efforts, ICAR may demonstrate technologies like transplanting and early maturing varieties of pigeon pea.
- **The CFLDs in states Viz; West Bengal, Bihar, Odisha and North Eastern Region, LENTIL crop during Rabi may be given priority over chickpea.**
- **In view of the general dearth of quality seeds, farmers may be trained in quality seed production, primary processing and encouraged to use those self-saved seeds.**

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. A. P. Singh)

Additional Commissioner (Crops)