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Online Review Meeting of KVKs of ANDUAT, Ayodhya

A review meeting was held on 18.01.2022 to review the expenditure up to 31.12.2021 and plan to utilize remaining grant before 31.3.2022 by KVKs under ANDUAT, Ayodhya. During the meeting following points were discussed with all the Heads of KVKs and Director of Extension: –

- ANDUAT, Ayodhya has left unspent balance of Rs. 3.60 crore (1.85 crore under salary, 1.09 crore under capital, and 0.66 crore under general) for the year 2020-21. The University has refunded Rs. 1.85 crore on account salary unspent but the unspent amount of Capital & General contingency not so far refunded. Dr. A P. Rao, Director Extension informed that the file of unspent balance is put up to Vice Chancellor for approval. We have requested to depute some official to expedite the refund so that further grant may be released.
- The expenditure under TSP & SCSP are not up to the mark. The Director Extension/ Head KVKs has stated that files for approval for purchase of Capital items has been put up for approval/ sanction. Director Extension has been requested to submit a details of equipment with its cost of all SCSP & TSP Centre immediately to ICAR-ATARI. The funds allocated should be utilised before 31.03.2022.
- KVK wise, head wise review of BE , expenditure up to 31.12.2021 & funds required in RE 2021-22 has been made. The Head, KVKs have been directed to demand realistic fund under Salary so that it should fully utilized.
- Director Extension requested to provide some grant for minor repairs & white wash of Office Building , Farmers Hostel & Staff Quarter at KVKs where very old Buildings. Due to cut of grant under RE 2021-22, it would not be possible to provide more funds, we have advised to expend some amount from Revolving Fund.
- Some KVKs have requested for replacement of Old Vehicle & Tractor, Vehicle for newly Established KVKs. It may be provided immediately when EFC approved as per provision made.
- Director Extension has informed that the Audit Utilisation Certificate (AUC) of Swachhata Action Plan, NICRA & ARYA has not so far been received which must be submitted immediately.
- Director Extension has been requested to provide the matrix/chart of project running other than ICAR grant in respect of all KVKs under ANDUAT Ayodhya.

Virtual review meeting on DFI success stories

Online meeting regarding Correction in DFI Success Stories was held on 27.01.2022 with the Director of Extension of CSAUAT Kanpur, BUAT Banda, SVPUAT Meerut and ANDUAT Ayodhya under the Chairmanship of Dr. U.S. Gautam, Director, ICARATARI, Kanpur. During the meeting following points were discussed.

- Director Extensions and Head KVKs will insure that each case of DFI must be checked and corrected before final submitting to ICAR-ATARI Kanpur latest by 4th February 2022.
- Keep Times New Roman Font (10 font size).
- Delete blank rows, where data is not given.
- Give brief caption under all photos (single line).
- Keep numerical data of tables under center alignment.
- Improve photo quality and it should be in accordance with success story which is most important (change it wherever necessary).
- Fill all the columns with data, don't leave blank.
- Don't give income amount in Rupees under 2nd table of last two columns (% increase over base year), only percentage is needed.
- Average of income should be 100% or more. (Rag



Online Review workshop of ARYA Project

Online Review workshop of ARYA (Attracting Rural Youth in Agriculture) project was held on 16.02.2022 under the chairmanship of Dr. U.S. Gautam, Director, ICAR-ATARI, Kanpur. Following KVK Muzaffarnagar, Varanasi, Gorakhpur, Kaushambi, Pratapgarh, Saharanpur, Deoria, Basti, Ghazipur & Lucknow participated in this review workshop.

Important Points for necessary action were these.

- ARYA project KVKs need to publish atleast one publication before 1 March. (All KVKs)
- KVKs will send their achievements for publication before 1 March 2022.
- KVKs must involve ATARI in the work being done by them.
- Make a team for collection and documenting success stories for print/publish.
- Success Story of the ARYA project will be send to ATARI from each KVK for publication.
- KVK Muzaffarnagar-I need to send revised financial status to ATARI immediately.
- KVKs must show publications in presentation.
- Send the budget in template. (KVK Sahranpur)
- KVK Deoria having less staff which is effecting the work.
- Slide of action plan also need to be included in the presentation.
- KVKs need to work keeping in mind budget and need to utilized budget properly.
- KVK Basti need to change finance slide and show publication in presentation.
- KVK Deoria need to add the budget in slide which is sent to them.
- KVKs need to work according to market demand.
- Publication in local language for farmers need to be written like '*Safalta ki kahani Kisan ki zubani*'.
- All principal scientists of ATARI Kanpur and Scientists of ARYA KVKs were present in the workshop,

Meeting on Kisan Sarathi with DDGs, ADGs and ATARI Directors

This is meeting on 17.2.2022 organised by IASRI with the hope that the Kisan Sarathi Portal will start functioning from 1st April, 2022.

It is decided that first it is necessary to start portal as Knowledge Portal. Working will be made with the collaborative model with ICAR Institute expert and KVK Expert. Whatever queries arises by farmers first should go to Expert of ICAR through KVK Expert then whatever reply or answer comes should go to Dashboard of KVK.

In this meeting, DDG(AE), ADG(ICT), ADG(AE), ATARI Directors, Sanjay Garg, T.S. Anurag, DIC, Sanjeev, ICAR-IASRI, Dr. Rajander Prasad, Mukesh Kumar and some senior colleagues of IASRI were participated



Virtual Review workshop of DAMU Project

Online Review meeting of DAMU Project was organized under the chairmanship of Dr. U.S. Gautam, Director, ICAR-ATARI, Kanpur on 17th February 2022 to review progress from January 2021 to December 2021.

During any feedback it is necessary to convert the benefits in the rupees as resource saving. (DAMU, KVK)

- Annual report must be submitted before 28th February 2022.
- Any research paper must be acknowledging the IMD & ICAR ATARI Kanpur.
- It is needed to add the Economic Impact of Agrometeorological & meteorological tools like DAMINI, Meghdoot & Mausam applications.
- Quality photo should be taken for any activity like FAP, Gosthi/ Training/ Special program, diagnose field visit etc.
- During preparation of Agromet advisory Inventory maintaining is most important tool for record keeping and also useful for decision making during advisory preparation.
- Crop simulation model need to create a group for training conducting by ICAR ATARI & IMD.
- Taking farmers feedback & Increase the number of farmers of line department in the Whatsapp group to outreach at village level (Agromet Observer)
- Date wise maintaining the report; collect the photographs of weather events. (Agromet Observer)
- Head of KVK Sonbhadra & Gorakpur suggested to take action for re- absorb the SMS Agrometeorology & Agromet observer in the KVKs of ANDUA&T Faizabad, Ayodhya. (ATARI & IMD)

- In the IIVR institute advance not sanction to SMS Agromet due to contract staff, which obstruct to conducting FAP and other work smooth functioning DAMU
- Timely releasing fund to the DAMU KVK
- Salary & HRA & DA as per level 10 and level 3 for the SMS Agrometeorology & Agromet observer.
- CL, EL & Maternity leave should be providing for SMS Agrometeorology & Agromet observer.

Dr. K K Singh (Head AASD IMD New Delhi), Dr. A. K Singh (Director Extension CSAUA&T Kanpur), Dr. Kripan Ghosh (Scientist E IMD Pune), Dr. Atar Singh, Dr. Raghvendra Singh were present in the meeting.

Meeting of all ATARIs on DFI, Review workshops and budget utilization

An online meeting of all ATARIs was held 08.03.2022 under the chairmanship of Dr. AK Singh DDG (AE) ICAR, New Delhi. In the meeting Doubling Farmers' Income and other issues like upcoming Review workshops and budget utilization were also discussed. Directors and Principal Scientists of ATARIs participated in this meeting.

- All ATARIs zones need to submit final DFI success stories in pen-drive by speed post and courier to ATARI Kanpur and ICAR HQ by the end of this week.
- It will be reviewed on upcoming Monday that which ATARI has sent and which has not sent so send by fasted courier / speedpost facility available. One PD should be sent to ATARI Kanpur and one set to ICAR Headquarters.
- All ATARIs must complete the 100% of their target and all success stories must be double income success stories. DFI success should not be less than doubled.

- Once finalized, DFI success stories will be posted on ICAR website, open for public view. Group of parliaments also want to know about farmers whose income doubled so make sure there is not mistake in final data.
- Farmer First project DFI success stories must also be included and sending success stories are compulsory by all FFP centers.
- All ATARIs need to complete their each DFI success story data ready in common excel format and the format should be same for each ATARI. All 75000 DFI success stories data should be ready in excel format.
- ATARI Bengaluru said they copied data (of two states) in excel format in 45 days.
- Price taken in DFI success stories should be local market price and not MSP.
- 4-5 points are important for analyzation in DFI success stories like Crop used, livestock, area, intervention/technology used, which enterprise increased income.
- ATARIs need to schedule review workshop of Projects such as ARYA, FFP, NARI, KHSAMTA, CFLD Oilseed-Pulses.
- DG ICAR will take meeting with Nodal officers of MGMG Project.
- Workshop of CFLD Oilseed-Pulses will be held jointly ATARIs and selected best KVKs will participate in the workshop.
- Farmer innovators meet is also coming it is compulsory for all and 50 farmers from each will participate.
- Tribal KSHAMTA Program will be done by North East (Guwahati) and All ATARIs and KVKs of KSHAMTA Project will participate in it.
- All Important programs should be review by May and we will request DG sir to participate in all these programs.

- ATARIs insure that budget is utilized properly.
- Vehicle can not be purchased now and can not be purchased without permission. Budget of vehicle can be transferred in capital. Tractor is equipment and not vehicle so it can be purchased.

ICAR-ATARI Kanpur Foundation Day Celebration

Foundation day of ICAR-ATARI Kanpur was celebrated on 19th March 2022. On this occasion all staff of ICAR-ATARI Kanpur were present and Heads of KVKs and DEs of SAUs connected virtual to program through online mode. Dr Atar Singh, PS (Agron.) presented a brief achievement of ICAR-ATARI, Kanpur. Director ICAR-ATARI, Dr. U.S. Gautam also point out the achievements of KVKs and its improvement. Dr. S.K. Dubey, PS(AE) given a brief History of office. Dr. Raghwendra Singh given the vote of thanks to all officials of ATARI, DEs and KVKs.



NICRA Project workshop



One day workshop on NICRA project was organised on 21.03.2022 at ICAR-ATARI, Kanpur. This workshop was inaugurated by Dr. Vinod Kumar Singh, Director, CRIDA, Hyderabad. Special Guest Dr. JVNS Prasad, Coordinator NICRA, Dr. I. Srinivas, PS, CRIDA, Hyderabad, Dr. D.P. Patel, PS, IIPR, Kanpur and Dr. Avanish Kumar, PS, IARI, New Delhi also present on this occasion.

Purpose of this workshop is to discuss impact of climate change on agriculture and to promote agricultural technology. Also to review progress of NICRA KVKs and Action Plan.

Welcome address given by Dr. Atar Singh, PS (Agron.), ICAR-ATARI, Kanpur regarding the important interventions since the project inception in 1st phase and second phase.

On this occasion, Dr. U.S. Gautam, Director, ICAR-ATARI, Kanpur said that climate resilient agriculture was an approach that included sustainability using existing natural resources through crop and livestock production system to achieve long-term higher productivity & farm incomes under climate variability's.

Dr. V.K. Singh, Director, CRIDA, Hyderabad act as a chairman of this workshop. On his inaugural address he discussed regarding HRD programmes, soil health management, life saving irrigation, cropping system, protective cultivation, IPM, soil moisture conservation, livestock management and value addition. He said that agriculture was extremely vulnerable to climate change and higher temperature eventually reduced yields of desirable crops while encouraging weed and pest proliferation. He said climate change and higher temperature made pest management less effective, meaning that higher rates of pesticides would be necessary to achieve the same levels of control. He also added climate change was likely to contribute substantially to food insecurity in the future by increasing food prices and reducing the food production.

At the end of inaugural session, vote of thanks given by Dr. Raghwendra Singh, PS (Hort), Dr. Shantanu Kumar Dubey, PS(AE), Dr. Sadhna Pandey, PS (Home Sci.), Shri S.N. Yemul, CTO from ICAR-ATARI were also present.



Participation in other meetings

1. DG addressed by virtual on new year 04.01.2022
2. Virtual meeting with DDG-AE regarding DFI work 05.01.2022
3. Monthly meeting with Director regarding working of ATARI staff 18.01.2022
4. Virtual review meeting with KVKs regarding expenditure and unspent balance 24.01.2022
5. Virtual meeting with DDG(AE) regarding 7th Pay arriar 28.01.2022
6. Virtual participation in Kisan Sarathi workshop 31.01.2022
7. Monthly meeting with Director regarding working of ATARI staff 31.01.2022
8. Virtual participation in the meeting on Kisan Sarathi 17.02.2022
9. Virtual meeting organized for KVKs regarding DFI 03.02.2022
10. Virtual participation in RAC meeting 21.02.2022
11. Virtual participation in the webinar on budget implementation addressed by Hon'ble PM and AM 24.02.2022
12. Virtual meeting on CFLD 28.02.2022
13. Virtual meeting organized regarding DFI success stories of KVKs 10.03.2022

Quarterly Progress Report (Jan-March, 2022)

S.No.	Activities	Target Achieved
1	On- Farm Trials Conducted (Nos.)	121
2	Frontline Demonstrations Conducted (Nos.)	3962
3	No. of Farmers and farm women Trained (Nos.)	8483
4	No. of Extension Personnel Trained(Nos.)	1448
5	Production of Seeds (in Quintals)	1634.25
6	Production of Planting materials(in lakhs)	1.29
7	Production of livestock strains and fingerlings (in lakhs)	10.76
8	Soil and water samples tested (Nos.)	1012
9	No. of Farmers provided mobile agro-advisory (in lakhs)	12.45
10	No. of Farmers and other stakeholder Benefitted through various Extension Activities (in lakhs)	1.78



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