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

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated: 20th June, 2023

To,

1. The Director

ICAR- Indian Institute of Pulses Research, Kanpur (Uttar Pradesh)

2. The Director

ICAR- Indian Institute of Millets Research, Hyderabad (Andhra Pradesh)

3. The Director

ICAR- Indian Institute of Wheat & Barley Research, Karnal (Haryana)

4. The Director

ICAR- Indian Institute of Maize Research, PAU, Ludhiana (Punjab)

5. Project Coordinator

ICAR- All India Coordinated Research Project on Small Millets Bengaluru (Karnataka)

6. Project Coordinator

ICAR- All India Coordinated Research Project on Pearl Millet, Jodhpur (Rajasthan)

Sir/Madam,

Subject: Administrative Approval for organization of Front Line Demonstrations on Pulses, Coarse cereals and Nutri-Cereals during the year 2023-24-reg.

I am directed to convey that the competent authority of this Department has approved an outlay of **Rs. 387.18 lakh (Rupees three crore eighty-seven lakh eighteen thousand only)** for organization of FLDs of Barley, Pulses, Maize & Nutri-Cereals (Sorghum, Pearl Millet and Small Millets) during 2023-24. The crop specific details of FLDs for 2023-24 are given as under:

S. No	Nodal Agency for Implementation of FLDs	Name of crop	Approved No. of FLDs (in ha.)	Rate of financial assistance (Rs/ha)	Approved Financial allocation (Rs. In lakh)
1	ICAR-IIW & BR, Karnal	Barley	140	6000	16.81*
2	ICAR-IIPR, Kanpur	Pulses	1719	9000	154.71#
3	ICAR-IIMR, Ludhiana	Maize	1400	6000	84.00
4	ICAR-AICRP on Small Millets Bengaluru	Small millet	300	6000	45.00**
5	ICAR-AICRP on Pearl Millet	Pearl millet	1000	6000	74.66***
6	ICAR-IIMR, Hyderabad	Sorghum	200	6000	12.00
Grand Total			4759		387.18

* Including committed liability of Rs.8.41 lakh.

** Including committed liability of Rs.27.0 lakh.

***Including committed liability of Rs.14.66 lakh.

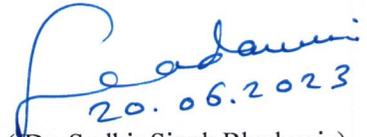
IIPR, Kanpur to submit the proposal for 100 nos FLDs on chickpea.

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The above approval is subject to the following conditions:

- Total 1719 FLDs to be conducted on pulses crops including Arhar (827), Urad (544), Lentil (248) and Chickpea (100).
- Each implementing agency will constitute monitoring team with involvement of officials of Crop Development Directorates, DA&FW, State Department of Agriculture and Scientists of ICAR/SAUs.
- The varieties which are within 3 years either of own production or SAUs sources be used (5 years for problematic areas viz; hills, Saline, Alkaline Soils etc.) period from the date of notification/release/identification should only be included in the demonstration purpose and those varieties in the border lines should be avoided.
- Under FLDs, full package kit like seed, INM, IPM material should be given to farmers at the time of sowing.
- All the FLDs should be conducted under the close supervision of SAUs/KVKs/ICAR institute.
- Farmers practice, crop production and protection technologies used in FLDs should be obtained in the progress report. The reasons for yield gap between FLDs and farmers' practice should be mentioned in progress report.
- No chemical fertilizer is allowed as input under FLD programme, however, payment to various farm operations/farm services and other critical inputs (seed, bio-fertilizers, lime, gypsum and micronutrients etc.) are allowed. Farmers have to apply the recommended doses of fertilizers.
- Field days should be regularly organized and prior information should be sent to DA&FW and Director, ATARIs of ICAR.
- The details of FLD beneficiary-farmers along with contact number should also be furnished to DA &FW.
- All implementing Institutes should ensure to organize at least 10% of the FLDs or as per availability of seeds on bio-fortified variety of pulses/nutri-cereals and Coarse Cereals in the districts with high burden of malnutrition.
- 5% of FLD on pulses and Nutri cum coarse Cereals shall be conducted in North-Eastern States.
- More focus should be given to extra and early maturing varieties of Pigeonpea and Lentil.
- All implementing agencies and their coordinating centres should involve agronomist/plant breeder to finalize technologies to be demonstrated in FLD programme and follow up visits to demonstration sites.
- Critical input amounting to Rs. 8100/- out of Rs. 9000/- for Pulses Rs. 5100/- out of Rs. 6000/- for Barley, Maize & Nutri-Cereals (Sorghum, Pearl Millet and Small Millets) should be provided to beneficiary farmers.
- Each implementing agency will send technical programme and progress report of FLDs of Pulses, Barley, Maize & Nutri-Cereals (Sorghum, Pearl Millet and Small Millets) in formats (already circulated) to DPD, Bhopal and DMD, Jaipur respectively on quarterly basis.
- **Geo-tagging of all FLDs is compulsory which is to be conducted during 2023-24 by each centre of FLD.**
- In eastern region, FLDs should focus on technologies in weed management aspects.

Yours faithfully,


20.06.2023
(Dr. Sudhir Singh Bhadauria)
Deputy Commissioner (Crops)

Copy to:

1. ADG (FFC)/ADG (O&P), ICAR, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
2. Director, Directorate of Pulses, Bhopal/Millets, Jaipur.
3. Under Secretary (Finance)/(CA-V), DA&FW, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
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