

Proceedings of the Consortium Implementation Committee (CIC) for the sub-project “Research into Development of Decision Support Systems for Insect pests of major rice and cotton based cropping systems” (C2046) under NAIP Component 4 on 7th November at CRIDA, Hyderabad

Consortium Implementation Committee (CIC):

Head of Consortium Lead Institute:	Dr B. Venkateswarlu , Director, CRIDA, Hyderabad	Chairman
Co-PIs of Consortium Partner Institutions:	Dr Gururaj Katti, CCPI, DRR, Hyderabad	Member
	Dr S. Vennila, CCPI, CICR, Nagpur	Member
	Dr Sujay Dutta, CCPI, SAC, Ahmedabad	Member
	Dr A. Dhanadapani, CCPI, NCIPM, New Delhi	Member
Senior Administrative Officer of the lead centre	Mr Charles Ekka, SAO, CRIDA	Member
Senior Finance Officer of the Lead Centre	Mr B.D. Sati, FAO, CRIDA	Member
Consortium Principal Investigator	Dr Y.G. Prasad, CPI, CRIDA	Member Secretary

All the CIC members participated in the meeting.

At the outset Dr B. Venkateswarlu, Director, CRIDA welcomed the gathering and set the tone for the meeting. The following issues were discussed and actions suggested:

S.No.	Issue	Remarks
1	Recruitment of staff	Contractual staff has been recruited at all the centers except one RA and one SRF sanctioned for DRR AICRP network centres of Maruteru and Ludhiana for want of clarity on utilizing the disbursement of funds for the network centres of DRR One SRF sanctioned for Regional station, Sirsa under CICR may be converted to the position of RA as the position is vacant despite attempts to fill.
2.	Financial	Funds have been received on 5 th September 2008 Funds disbursal mechanism to network centres of DRR (Maruteru,

		Ludhiana, Coimbatore, Cuttack and Mohanpur) need to be discussed and formalized during the First CAC meeting on 29th November 2008
3.	Procurement of Equipment and undertaking of works	CPI and CCPIs along with Administrative and Accounts staff to attend the training programme on World bank procurement procedures scheduled State-wise by NAIP.
4	Technical programme for first six months and one year	All partners to prepare list of activities undertaken till now and the activities planned for next six months to one year and present before the CAC during the launch workshop on 28 th November 2008. Due to start of the project mid-way during the Kharif programme, the envisaged field trials in rice may have to commence from rabi, 2008 season
5	Capacity building	Project scientists and staff to attend the Training programme on Statistical tools for data analysis to be organized by CRIDA at NCIPM, New Delhi in association with IASRI, New Delhi during February, 2009. NCIPM will inform the exact dates of the training programme to all the partners.

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the Chair

Dr Y.G. PRASAD
Member Secretary & CPI, NAIP C4/C2046 sub-project

Dr B.Venkateswarlu
Chairman, CIC