Proceedings of the 6th Consortium Implementation Committee (CIC) meeting of the NAIP Sub-project C-2046 held at CRIDA, Hyderabad on 15-February 2010

The 6th CIC meeting was held under the chairmanship of Dr G G S N Rao on 15th February 2010 at the CRIDA, Hyderabad. The following members participated in the meeting:

S.No.	Name	Designation
1.	Dr. G.G.S.N. Rao	Director i/c, CRIDA, Hyderabad
2.	Dr Y.G. Prasad	CPI & Principal Scientist, CRIDA
3.	Dr. M. Prabhakar	CCPI, CRIDA
4.	Dr. B.M.K. Raju	Co- CCPI and CMU member, CRIDA
5.	Dr. K.V. Rao	Co-CCPI, CRIDA
6	Dr. V.S. Nagarare	CCPI, CICR, Nagpur
7	Dr. S. Vennila	CCPI, NCIPM, New Delhi
8	Dr. G. Katti	CCPI, DRR
9.	Dr Ch. Padmavathi	Co-CCPI, DRR
10.	Dr AP Padmakumari	Co-CCPI, DRR
11	RAs	Project staff of CRIDA and DRR

Dr Y G Prasad, the CPI welcomed all the participants. Dr GGSN Rao, Director i/c reviewed the action taken report on the points emerging from the previous meeting. The following are the agenda items on which discussions were made:

1. Technical progress review

CCPIs of Consortium partners, CICR, CRIDA, NCIPM and DRR and Co-PIs at DRR presented the research progress from various experiments carried out during *kharif* 2009 season and rabi 2009-10.

- a) Geo spatial studies may to be taken up at cotton centres Nagpur, Sirsa and Comibatore and at Rice centre Maruteru to bring out cropping system effect on pest incidence during next season. (Attn: Dr V.S. Nagrare & Dr G. Katti)
- b) Authentic taxonomic identification of mealybugs (Paracoccus and Phenacoccus) at Coimbatore centre needs to be undertaken at the earliest by sending adequate number of specimens to Dr V.V. Ramamurthy, Division of Entomology, IARI (Attn: Dr V.S. Nagrare & Dr. B. Dharajyothi)
- c) Cotton group may discuss and finalize optimum sample size and sampling strategy for Mirids based on statistical analysis (Attn: Dr V.S. Nagrare)
- d) Cotton group in consultation with Dr S. Vennila, CCPI, NCIPM needs to enlist and work on the publications emanating from the work done so far under the project (Attn: Dr V.S. Nagrare & Dr S. Vennila)

- e) In on-station field experiments, data collection pertaining to estimating field growth rates should be with respect to cohorts from the time of first appearance both in rice and cotton along with field infestation data as per the data format already in use (Attn: Dr V.S. Nagrare & Dr G. Katti)
- f) The CCPI, DRR may convene a group meeting of rice centres at Hyderabad before the start of the next season with respect to conduct of on-station experiments, field surveys during season and off-season, pest monitoring, and improvement in field data collection and reporting using on-line software
- g) All the centres should submit the historical data on pest-disease-weather available with them for updating the retrievable database at the consortium lead centres
- h) All the centres should provide the experimental data for results reported in the first and second year annual reports in excel format for adding to the database at the Consortium lead centre
- i) All CCPIs advised to submit technical report before 2nd March 2010 for presentation during the Annual review workshop and preparation of Annual report 2009-10.

2. Procurement of equipments and works

i) Procurement needs to be completed before 31st March, 2010. There will be no revalidation of NRC funds for next year as per PIU letter.

3. Recruitment of vacant contractual staff positions

i) Vacant positions should be filled up immediately for smooth progress in carrying out the technical program. At Maruteru, the RA position has been lying vacant since inception despite three attempts to recruit. If RA is not recruited by 31st March, 2010, the position would be reallocated for needy partners after approval by CAC.

4. Financial progress

i) In view of the funds distribution to associate centres involved for consortium partner, DRR, Hyderabad, it was agreed that the expenditure statements by the centres at Ludhiana, Maruteru, Cuttack, Mohanpur and Coimbatore would be obtained on or before 31st March 2010 so as to account in the Annual Statement of Expenditure to be submitted by DRR, Hyderabad.

(Y.G. PRASAD)

Member Secretary & CPI, NAIP C4/C2046 sub-project

Chairman and Director, Consortium Lead Centre

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