



Director ICAR-ATARI

Zone 3, Kanpur

Date: 14th April 2020

Minutes of Meeting

General Discussion for the KVKs of CSAUAT, Kanpur and BUAT, Banda during lock down period over Zoom Video Call

During the lockdown period due to spread of infectious COVID-19, Director ICAR-ATARI successfully conducted online zoom meeting session by welcoming all the Heads/Representatives of respective 20 KVKs of CSAUAT, Kanpur & BUAT, Banda. Meeting started sharply by 11:30 AM on 14th April'20. Please find below minutes of meeting for the same:

1. It was requested to concerned Director Extensions to submit Utilization Certificates along with budget estimated of respective KVKs. Information was passed on behalf of DDG, Agriculture Extension, Dr. Ashok Kumar Singh that in the current FY (2020-21), budget of each KVK will be reduced by 5% i.e. from 25% to 20% and can be utilized as maximum 8% in the first month, maximum 6% in the next month and remaining 6% in the consecutive month (Total 20% by end of first quarter).
2. Feedback from the farmers, NGO's, Medical Doctors, Municipalities during the lockdown given in a note to DDG.
3. Over all budget utilization is 98.8% at ICAR level which is highly appreciated by Secretary DARE and DG, ICAR, New Delhi.
4. Frequency of Technology dissemination through whatsapp groups and mobile services in respective districts should be more effective in Lockdown Period.
5. Frequency of Advisories and technology disseminations about agricultural inputs and supply like seeds, insecticides, pesticides, fertilizers, bio-pesticides and vegetable seedlings should be made available with coordinated effect of Deputy Director Agriculture, District Agriculture Officer, District Horticulture Officer, Plant Protection Officer, Chief Veterinary officer, General Manager PCDF,AR Cooperatives and DPRO in respective districts might be more effective.
6. Maize advisory has also been made available to the farmer's in Maize grown districts by respective KVKs.
7. National and District level Advisories should be circulated to the registered farmers in the Districts.
8. Advisory services about Supply Chain of Milk, Green Vegetables, Spices, Potato Storage, Grain Storage and marketing advisories should be sent day by day in respective districts through whatsapp groups and mobile services.
9. Timely Reporting is to be done for CFLDs, OFTs, other farm advisory services, summary about Aarogya Setu App along with related information or any other reports as and when required.
10. Aarogya Setu App message was given to almost 2 lakh farmers and same was downloaded by more than 37 thousand farmers.
11. Effort made by CSAUAT, Kanpur was appreciated for timely reporting of advisories and providing other summaries as and when needed.
12. It was informed to everyone to stick to lockdown rules and regulations till 3rd May'20 as per information released by Central Government on 14th April'20 therefore KVK Staff should be working from home and take care of sanitization by wearing masks and taking full care of their families along with helping poor people around them if possible for them.

(Atar Singh)
Director

PFA photographs of the meeting:

