Review of progress by Seed hub KVKs on Pulses under NFSM

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A review of Seed Hubs on Pulses under NFSM by Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) in Zone-X was organized on 5th January, 2018 at ICAR-ATARI, Hyderabad.

Dr. Y.G. Prasad, Director, ATARI, Hyderabad advised the KVKs to produce seed of only latest recommended varieties of pulses, and emphasized on completion of infrastructure development for seed processing and storage. The KVKs were advised to produce certified seed and comply with all modalities of seed production, procurement, marketing and supply to the farmers under the Seed Hub programme. During the review, Nodal scientists of KVKs presented the details of target and achievement of seed production under Seed Hub programme organized during the year 2017-18. Nearly 5000 q of Foundation and Certified seed of latest varieties of pulses (blackgram, greengram, redgram, chickpea and horsegram) is being produced by 12 Seed Hub KVKs in Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and Tamil Nadu states for supply of quality seed of pulses and making it available to the farming community for improving productivity. The seed hub programme has been linked with farmers participating in Cluster Frontline Demonstrations (CFLDs). The seed hubs and CFLD activities are regularly monitored.



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Dr.K.Dattatri, Principal Scientist & Nodal Officer (Pulses) coordinated the seed hub review meeting.

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