

Zonal Review of Cluster Frontline Demonstrations on Pulses & Oilseeds by KVKs in AP and Telangana

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A Group meeting of 38 KVKs in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana was organized by ICAR-ATARI, Hyderabad during 16-17th October, 2017 to review the progress of *Kharif* implementation of Cluster Frontline Demonstrations (CFLDs) on Pulses & Oilseeds and finalization of *rabi* action plan for 2017-18 under Central schemes of NFSM & NMOOP, GoI.

The review meeting was inaugurated by Dr.Y.S. Ramakrishna, former Director, ICAR-CRIDA. Dr. A.Vishnu Vardhan Reddy, Director, ICAR-IIOR presented the strategy for horizontal expansion and productivity enhancement in oilseed crops in the two states. Technical backstopping through effective planning of technology packages was provided by Directors of Extension & Principal Scientists of pulses and oilseed crops from ANGRAU and PJTSAU. Deputy Director (DOD) shared the monitoring reports based on field visits to implementing KVKs during the *kharif* season.



Dr. V. Praveen Rao, Vice Chancellor, PJTSAU chaired the valedictory session and stressed on the importance of participatory seed production by KVKs and development of skills by KVK scientists for agro-knowledge management through documentation of success stories, case studies, farmer testimonials and video films.

Dr. Y.G. Prasad, Director, ICAR-ATARI, Hyderabad presented the summary recommendations emanating from the Group meeting for improving the quality of implementation of CFLDs by KVKs. It was decided to organize field days and adopt crop cuts to assess the performance of technology packages in farmers' fields.

Heads and nodal scientists (65) of CFLDs from 38 KVKs participated in the review cum action plan meeting. The meeting was organized at IIOR by Drs. K. Dattatri & B. Malathi, Scientists of ICAR-ATARI.

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