

**Minutes of the Advisory Body Meeting of Agro-Economic Research Centre
Jawaharlal Nehru KrishiVishwaVidyalaya (JNKVV), Jabalpur (M.P.)
Held on 24 December, 2021 at 11:30AM**

The Advisory Body Meeting of Agro-Economic Research Centre, Jawarharlal Nehru KrishiVishwaVidyalaya (JNKVV), Jabalpur (M.P.) was held under the Chairmanship of Prof. P. K. Bisen, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor JNKVV, Jabalpur (M.P.) in the *Kotilya* Meeting hall of Agri-Business Management, JNKVV, Jabalpur on 24th December 2021 at 11:30 A.M. All the members of Advisory Body AER-Centre JNKVV, Jabalpur were present in the meeting (Appendix 1)

At the outset, the Director AER Centre, Jabalpur welcomed the Chairman, Advisory Body Meeting, JNKVV, Jabalpur. The Chairman welcomed **Dr. (Mrs.) Promodita Sathish**, IES, Adviser (AER-Division), Directorate of Economics & Statistics, Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI and other respected members of the Advisory Body.

1. The Director AERC presented various issues raised in the previous Advisory Body Meeting (19.01.2019) and their follow-up action viz. revision of MoU, fill up the vacant posts, publication of Atlas and regular post of the Director at CCS etc. was discussed in detail.
2. The research work done during 2019-2021, progress of On-Going studies allotted by the Ministry on September 2021 was presented by Director, AER Centre, Jabalpur.

2.1 Director informed the House that the State Govt. of Madhya Pradesh used to procure the output (Wheat, Paddy and Pulses) through their procurement Centers and transfer the amount directly into the account of the farmers. Therefore, there is no question of non-clear land title in State. Further it is also noticed that although, lease in land is in practice in the State but there is no authentic record is available in the land revenue office under such circumstances selection of representative sample as per the project proposal entitled "**Land Titling and Agricultural Productivity**" seems to be problematic for the investigators.

2.2 He pointed out that the **Development of Model Villages under Soil Health Card Scheme** was implemented in the year March 2019 and after that there was covid-19 pandemic situation prevailed in the state as well as across the Country. Therefore, it is too early to evaluate impact of the scheme during 2021-22 under research study entitled “**Impact Evaluation of Pilot Project “Development of Model Villages under Soil Health Card Scheme”**”. He also mentioned that the methodology workshop of the study entitled “**Consumption Pattern of edible Oils in India**” is still awaited from the end of the Coordinator.

3. Director AERC, Jabalpur urged to permit the Centre to fill up the vacant posts of RA (1) and SRF (1) on contractual basis till vacant sanctioned posts will not be filled on permanent basis.
4. The RA/SRF (Contractual) posted in the Centre are not eligible for Stay Allowance during their tour for collection of data from various locations of Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh. He requested to provide stay allowance to them for smooth functioning of the Centre. He solicited permission to engage retired AERC Staff/UG/PG students/ Staff of the KVKs, CCS etc. @ ₹ 250 per respondent from the block grant of the Centre looking to the tremendous pressure of studies (11) and data from around 2000 respondents is required to be collected from various locations of MP & CG (31) during this financial year 2021-22.
5. He also proposed to conduct a two days conference on “**Export of Agricultural Produce- Potential, Challenges and Strategies**” in the end of February, 2022.
6. Following decisions were taken in the meeting
 - 6.1. MoU: Adviser informed House that the revision of MoU between the University and the Ministry is in process.
 - 6.2. Agro- Economic Research Scheme: Adviser also informed that the umbrella scheme, Green Revolution-Krishonnati Yojana which subsumes Scheme “Integrated Scheme on Agriculture Census, Economics and Statistics (ISACES)” of which *Agro-Economic Research* is a part, is under process of getting approval up to 2025-26. A

note for Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs for schemes of the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare for approval up to 2025-26 is already submitted.

6.3. Vacant posts : The vacant posts of the centre were also discussed along with the request letter of centre where in approval of 02 Research Associate was sought from the University. It was made very clear by Adviser that University may fill up the vacant posts in AER Centre, which have not fallen into deemed abolished category, on regular/contractual basis following the University rules.

6.4. Agriculture Atlas of State of Madhya Pradesh : Adviser appreciated the Agriculture Atlas of State of Madhya Pradesh (Part-I&II) prepared by the Centre in close coordination with faculty members of the different departments of the University and advised to send official letter to the Ministry seeking permission to print the Atlas by the Publisher with its prototype within the available Grants-in-Aid for 2021-22.

6.5. The post of Field Officer is already upgraded to Senior Scientist/ Associate Professor by the Ministry, (F.No.3-5/2018-CS-ES(Part-I) dated 19/08/2021) and as far as creation of post of Director, CCS in the rank of Professor/ Principal Scientist is concerned, it was instructed by the Adviser that a letter may be sent to the Adviser (CCS) in this regard by the University.

6.6. Work plan 2021-22: The current work plan (2021-22), the research studies allotted to the centre by the different AER Units were discussed one-by-one and in detail. The following emerged from the discussion:

6.6.1 The study titled, "Land Titling and Agricultural Productivity A Consolidated All India Study" for the state of Madhya Pradesh was discussed in detail. It was pointed out by Director, AERC that there is no question of non-clear title in the state. It was suggested that the matter may be discussed with ADRTC. The Questionnaire may change/modify accordingly to suit the study in Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh. Similarly, Questionnaire, sample size etc. with respect to lease-in/lease-out aspects may also be changed to capture the ground reality of Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh.

6.6.2 The Adviser instructed to Director, AERC Jabalpur, to write a letter to the Co-coordinator, ISEC, Bengaluru, with a copy to the Ministry regarding the problem faced by the Centre to conduct the research study entitled “**Land Titling and Agricultural Productivity**”.

6.6.3 For the research study entitled “**Impact Evaluation of Pilot Project “Development of Model Villages under Soil Health Card Scheme”**”, it was suggested that if Development of Model Villages under Soil Health Card Scheme is implemented in the districts of M.P then the Mid-term evaluation may be conducted. This matter may also be taken up with ISEC Bengaluru and sample size, methodology; questionnaire may be redesigned to capture the impact in Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh. The Adviser ensured that the Ministry will write a letter to the Coordinator, Agricultural Development and Rural Transformation Centre (ADRTC), Institute for Social and Economic Change [ISEC], Bengaluru, Karnataka for methodological workshop related to study.

7. **Court case:** Adviser also reiterated that there is a pending court case pertaining to AERC Jabalpur W.P. No. 14533 of 2013- Shri S.J. Singh & other Vs. Union of India & others. It was informed that since the UoI is 1st respondent, hence no negligence is permitted and proper follow up may be accorded to the proceedings of court to avoid any complications in future..
8. **Staying allowance & engagement of staff:** The problem of stay allowances to the RA/ SRF engaged on contractual basis, and engagement of retired AERC Staff/UG/PG students/ Staff of the KVKs, CCS etc.@ ₹ 250 per respondent from the block grant of the Centre may be resolved at University level
9. **Grant -in -aid:** Ministry has already released 3rd Installment hence arrears arising out of revision with respect to 7th Pay Commission for teaching staff may be met. Further, unspent balance may be utilized judiciously and purposefully in order to improve the overall activities of the centre.

10. It was also decided that the Centre may seek permission from the Ministry to conduct a conference on "Export of Agril. Produce- Potential, Challenges and Strategies".
11. The Director AER Centre was advised to present village study before the officials of the Ministry as and when communicated for the same.
12. The Adviser instructed to prepare Policy a brief on PMKSY-PDMC and Seed Mini-kits and send research papers for publication in Agricultural Situation in India from completed research studies.
13. In the meeting it was advised to hold Governing Body Meeting/Advisory Committee Meeting at regular interval so as to monitor the quality of studies of the Centre and to resolve other financial and administrative matter.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to respected members and Hon'ble Chairman.

Approved



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FOR MADHYA PRADESH & CHHATTISGARH

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Date 24:12:2021

Time 11:00 AM

S. No.	Name	Designation	Capacity
1.	Prof. P. K. Bisen	Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, JNKVV, Jabalpur	Chairman
2.	Dr. (Mrs). Promodita Satish	Economic and Statistical Advisor Ministry of Agriculture, Govt. of India or his nominee	Member
3.	Dr. D. Khare	Dean Faculty of Agriculture, JNKVV, Jabalpur	Member
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8.	Dr. R.B.Singh	Prof.& Head Department of Agriculture and Statistics, JNKVV, Jabalpur	Member
9.	Dr. R. S. Sisodiya	Registrar, JNKVV, Jabalpur	Member
10.	Shri V. N. Bajpai	The Comptroller (Finance Officer), JNKVV, Jabalpur	Member
11.	Dr. Ajay Khare	Dy. Comptroller (Finance Officer), JNKVV, Jabalpur	-
12.	Dr. A. Shrivastava	Principal Scientist, Agril. Economics (Expert from the disciplines of Agril. Economics)	Member
13.	Dr. N. Khare	Prof. & Head Department of Extension Education	Member
14.	Dr. R.K.Jain	In-charge Cost of Cultivation Scheme, JNKVV, Jabalpur	-
15.	Dr. H.O. Sharma	Director Agro Economic Research Centre, JNKVV, Jabalpur	Convener