NIAP DIARY

RESEARCH INITIATIVES

NIAP initiated new research projects for next three years 2017-2020. Three Network Projects were initiated in collaboration with ICAR institutes, state agricultural universities and other public research institutions:

- Policy Imperatives for Promoting Value Chains of Agricultural Commodities
- Structural Transformation, Regional Disparity and Institutional Reforms in Agriculture
- Resource Use Planning for Sustainable Agriculture

In addition, there are 12 projects in the areas of food and nutritional security, risk management, impact assessment of agricultural technologies, delivery of extension services, non-farm sector, farm mechanization, micro-irrigation and market reforms. Externally-funded projects are undertaken in the area of climate change agriculture, gender perspective in agriculture and impact assessment of Farmer FIRST Project of ICAR. NIAP is also knowledge partner with DAC&FW for developing a strategy for doubling farmers' income in India.

POLICY COMMUNICATION

Book

Agricultural R&D Policy in India

Policy Papers

- Enhancing Farmers' Income: Who to Target and How?
- Strategy for Doubling Income of Farmers in India
- Market Reforms and Price Stabilization

Policy Briefs

- Pesticide Use in Indian Agriculture
- Goods and Services Tax: What it holds for Agricultural Sector?

Policy Interface

- NIAP facilitated Peer Review of ICAR
- Knowledge partner for Doubling Farmers' Income with DAC&FW
- Market Reforms and Price Stabilization

RESEARCH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting of RAC was held on 6 October, 2017 under the chairmanship of Prof Abhijeet Sen. The committee is mandated to advise NIAP on research programs. Just completed research programs and new research initiatives were discussed at length.



CAPACITY BUILDING

Project launch workshop of the three network projects was organised on 30-31 August, 2017. It was attended by partners from State Agricultural Universities, ICAR institutes and other research institutes.

Another workshop on research impact assessment was organized on 13 November, 2017 at the Institute to provide a platform to ICAR institutes for assessing impact of technology developed by the respective institutes. A total of 30 participants from 13 ICAR institutions participated in the workshop.

Summer school on "Advanced Analytical Techniques for Decision Making in Agriculture" was held during 10 - 30 July 2017. 22 participants, mostly from SAUs and ICAR institutes from 11 states participated in the training programme. The program was sponsored by ICAR.

An induction level training for officers of the Indian Economic Service was organised during 19-23 September, 2017. The program covered core issues related to agricultural sector.

FOREIGN DELEGATIONS

A U.S. delegation led by Dr. Scott Sindelar, Minister-Counsellor for Agricultural Affairs and Dr. Seth Meyer, Chairman, World Agriculture Outlook Board, US Department of Agriculture, visited NIAP on 1st September, 2017 and discussed US experience in commodity modelling and crop insurance.



A Palestine Delegation visited NIAP to discuss current policy issues in agriculture and risk management. Lessons in disaster management for Palestine agriculture were of special interest.

HONOURS

Dr Suresh Pal and Dr PB Birthal were awarded fellowship of the Indian Society of Agricultural Economics (Mumbai).

SWACHH BHARAT MISSION

The Institute celebrated Swachh Bharat activities during September-October, 2017. All NIAP employees devoted two hours out of their daily schedule in cleaning the Institute campus and nearby places. At the end, they also visited India Gate to clean the area and sensitize the public on importance of cleanliness.



MERA GAON MERA GAURAV

Under this scheme, three teams of scientists visit 15 villages in Rohtak, Palwal and Mewat district of Haryana state



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