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PREFACE

The National Group Meet, *Rabi* 2013-14 of All India Coordinated Research Project on Forage Crops was organized to review the accomplishments of Technical programme executed during Rabi 2012-13 at different coordinating and cooperating centres, in-house research activities and Forage Technology Demonstrations (FTDs); and also to formulate technical programme for *Rabi* 2013-14 as well as to discuss future thrust areas for fodder research under 12th plan. The meeting was jointly organized by Indian Council of Agricultural Research and JNKVV, Jabalpur during September 7-8, 2013.

The meeting was attended by the scientists engaged in forage research working at coordinating and collaborating centres located at different SAUs, ICAR institutes and NGOs. Representatives of Milk Cooperative Federation, private seed companies also participated in the programme and being important stakeholders contributed in the development of programme and linkages. Electronic and print media also participated in the meet and gave wide coverage of the programme.

This compilation contains brief report of National Group Meet, Rabi 2013-14 covering highlights on forage crop improvement, forage production and plant protection trials, technologies generated, proceedings of different technical sessions and technical programme for the coming *Rabi* season 2013-14. The participants discussed and planned future strategies for improving the forage productivity and quality through development of the regional and national forage technologies. The finalized technical programme on forage crop improvement, forage crop production and forage crop protection for *Rabi* 2013-14 have been given in annexure(s).

The successful conductance of the programme is attributed to the joint efforts made by the participating scientists, authorities of JNKVV, Jabalpur and the ICAR, Project Coordinating Unit, and other staff. All India Coordinated Research Project on Forage Crops sincerely acknowledges their contribution in successful organization of the event. We sincerely thank authorities, staff and students of JNKVV, Jabalpur for their warm hospitality, excellent arrangements and professional conductance of the programme.

A. K. Roy Project Coordinator

INAUGURAL SESSION

The inaugural session of the National Group Meet, *Rabi* 2013-14 of AICRP on forage crops was organized at JNKVV, Jabalpur during September 7-8, 2013. Dr. V. S. Tomar, Vice Chancellor, JNKVV, Jabalpur presided over the meeting. Dr. S. K. Datta, Deputy Director General (Crop Science), ICAR, New Delhi was chief guest. Dr. P. K. Ghosh, Director, IGFRI, Jhansi was guest of honour.

Dr. S. S. Tomar, Director Research Services, JNKVV, Jabalpur highlighted the research contribution of the university in various fields especially the forage crops. He extended welcome to the chief guest, dignitaries, participating scientists, team of NGM organizers, representative of press and media and farmers of the region.

Dr. A. K. Roy, Project Coordinator (Forage Crops) presented Coordinator's report for *Rabi* 2012-13. He highlighted the progress of research activities and the targets achieved as per the technical programme under the project. During *Rabi* 2012-13, the research activities were conducted at 30 centers located in five zones on aspect of forage crop improvement, forage crop production and plant protection. A total of 13 breeding trials of four annuals and two perennial forage species were conducted at 30 centers. Seventy forage crop production trials at 25 locations were undertaken to generate forage crop production technologies and improved forage crop varieties. Forage crop protection trials on pest occurrence, evaluation of breeding materials, and pest management were undertaken at 9 centers. He also presented the present scenario of forage resources and priorities for XIIth plan.

Dr. P. K. Ghosh, Director, IGFRI, highlighted the achievements of IGFRI in the forage development and its key role in bridging the gap of huge deficit of green fodder demand and supply. He highlighted the new initiatives by IGFRI proposed in XIIth plan including "National initiative on forage technology demonstration" for transfer of technology at farmer's field.

Dr. S. K. Datta, DDG (Crop Science), ICAR, New Delhi stressed upon the need of producing quality and nutritious fodder in sufficient quantity for getting better livestock production. He also highlighted the necessity of joint efforts of policy makers, scientist and farmers in coordinated and collaborative manner to meet challenges of increasing production of quality forages in eco-friendly manner. He emphasized upon the need of post harvest conservation and management of forages.

Prof. V. S. Tomar, Vice Chancellor, JNKVV, Jabalpur, highlighted the programmes undertaken for overall development of forage crop production in the state. He also extended the welcome and best wishes to all the participating scientists for successful and fruitful meeting.

The inaugural function ended with vote of thanks by Dr. A. K. Mehta, Organizing Secretary, to the dignitaries and participants for their valuable presence in inaugural session. He also extended gratitude to the PC Unit and other staff of the institute, different committees for their support in organization of NGM Meet of AICRP on Forage Crops.

Highlights: Technology Generated

A. Forage Crop Improvement

Entries identified for release as variety

- 1. Tall Fescue Grass (*Festuca arundinacea*) entry HIMA 14: The proposal was submitted by HPKVV, Palampur. The committee recommended its identification for release for hill zone of Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, and Jammu and Kashmir for sub-temperate and temperate grasslands/ pastures and cultivation.
- 2. Lucerne (*Medicago sativa*) entry Anand–23 (AL-4): The proposal was submitted by AAU, Anand. The committee recommended its identification for release for northwest zone comprising states of Punjab, Rajasthan for cultivation as the perennial fodder.
- **3.** Oat (*Avena sativa*) entry OS-377: The proposal was submitted by CCS HAU, Hisar. The committee recommended its identification for release for central zone under irrigated conditions in single cut system in Rabi season for the states of Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh.
- **4. Oat** (*Avena sativa*) **entry JHO 2010-1:** The proposal was submitted by IGFRI, Jhansi. The committee recommended its identification for release for the south zone under irrigated conditions in single cut system in rabi season for the states of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu.
- **5. Pearl millet** (*Pennisetum glaucum*) **entry PAC 981:** The proposal was submitted by Advanta Limited, Hyderabad. The committee recommended its identification for release for cultivation in the irrigated/ rainfed condition in the state of Punjab, Haryana, Rajasthan in the NW zone and Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Uttar Pradesh in the central zone.

B. Forage Production Technologies:

- 1. Intercropping of banana with bajra napier hybrid was found most remunerative system for Kerala.
- 2. Application of FYM (10 t/ha) + ZnSO₄ 20 kg/ha + Gypsum 5 q/ha along with RDF to fodder sorghum was found best treatment for increasing fodder productivity and remuneration under saline sodic soil at Mandya.
- 3. In south zone, growing of Para/BN hybrid under waste water supplemented with 100% RDF resulted in the highest GFY and monetary return.
- 4. In NEZ conventional tillage recorded higher GFY and net return of oat without affecting rice yield. Application of 100% Recommended dose of fertilizer + Biofertilizer (*Azotobactor* + PSB) resulted in higher fodder productivity and net returns.

Technical Session-1 (Discipline–wise report)

Chairman	:	Dr. P. K. Ghosh, Director, IGFRI, Jhansi
Co- Chairman	:	Dr. A. K. Singh Consultant JK Group, Raipur
Rapporteurs	:	Drs. S. M. Kumawat & D. I. Suma Bai

Crop Improvement: Dr. A. K. Mall, Senior Scientist (PB&G), AICRP FC coordinating unit, IGFRI, Jhansi presented the highlights of forage crop improvement trials conducted during *Rabi* 2012-13 at different Centers. A total of 13 trials were conducted at 30 locations on Berseem, Oat (Single, Multi cut, Dual and Seed), Rye Grass and Lathyrus (annuals) and Lucerne, Tall Fescue as perennials and success rate was 94.7 % (179/189). The entries promoted for advanced trials were pointed out.

Crop Production: Dr. S. R. Kantwa, Senior Scientist (Agronomy), AICRP FC coordinating unit, IGFRI, Jhansi presented the outcome of Forage Crop Production trials conducted during *rabi* 2012-13 at different locations. Total 17 experiments were conducted comprising of coordinated (8), location specific (7) and AVTs based (2) at 25 locations and success index was 95%. During this period, four production technologies were recommended.

Crop Protection: Dr. R. B. Bhaskar, Senior Scientist (Plant Pathology) presented the report on Plant protection trials conducted at 7 locations. The experiments aimed to study the occurrence and abundance of major diseases and pests in forages, screening of breeding materials and development of management technologies for the control of diseases and pests in Oat, lucerne and berseem. The most prevalent pest and diseases in Rabi forage crops was presented. During the period under report, stem rot and root rot of berseem, leaf blight and aphid infestation in oat, leaf spot, rust, downey mildew and aphid infestation were the major diseases and pests at various locations.

The session ended with vote of thanks to the chair.

Technical Session-II Breeder Seed Production

Chairman	:	Dr. D. K. Mishra, Head, Dept of GPB, JNKVV, Jabalpur
Co- Chairman	:	Dr. Dinesh Kumar, Principal Scientist, ICAR
Rapporteurs	:	Drs. S. Bora Neog & H. P. Parmar
Finalization of BSP allocation	:	Dr. A. K. Mall

At the outset, the chairman welcomed all the participants. Dr. A. K. Mall, Senior Scientist (PB&G), AICRP FC coordinating unit, IGFRI, Jhansi presented the status of Breeder Seed Production in forage crops for *Rabi* 2012-13.

In *Rabi* 2012-13, the indent for Breeder Seed Production was received from DAC, GOI for 28 varieties in four forage crops *viz.* oat (9), Berseem (10), Lucerne (4) and Gobhi-Sarson (5).

The actual production was 696.72 q that indicates the deficit of 217.4 q *i.e.*, 23.27%. The shortfall in the breeder seed production of different crops was as follows:

- Production in oats was 611.3 q against the indent of 837.5 q (deficit 226.2 q)
- Production in Berseem was 76.68 q against the indent of 69.1 q (Surplus 7.58q)
- Production in Lucerne was 6.6 q against the indent of 7.1 q (deficit 0.5 q)
- Production in Gobhi-Sarson was 2.14 q against indent of 0.42 q (Surplus 1.72 q)

Seed production was affected at some station due to drought and non availability of nucleus seeds.

Dr. A. K. Mall also presented *Rabi* 2013-14 Breeder Seed Production Programme. Seed production was allocated to different centers as per indent of DAC, Government of India. The allocation in different crop and varieties were accepted by the respective centres.

Many centres raised the issue of non-lifting of breeder seed by different organization in Oat crop.

The session ended with vote of thanks to the chair.

TECHNICAL SESSION III (CONCURRENT) FORMULATION OF TECHNICAL PROGRAMME

FORAGE CROP IMPROVEMENT

Chairman	:	Dr. D. K. Mishra, Head, Dept. of GPB, JNKVV, Jabalpur
Co- Chairman	:	Dr. A. K. Roy, PC AICRP Forage Crops
Rapporteurs	:	Dr. Rahul Kapoor & Dr. P. S. Takawale
Finalization of trials	:	Dr. A. K. Mall

At the outset, the chairman welcomed the delegates. Dr. A. K. Mall, presented the breeding trial report of *Rabi* 2012-13 to the house for finalization of the technical programme for *Rabi* 2013-14. A total of seventeen breeding trials were decided by the house for *Rabi* 2012-13 in five different crops.

Following were the suggestions and recommendations:

- Four entries *viz;* JBSC-1, JBSC-2, JBSC-3 and JBSC-4 were promoted to AVT-1 berseem (SC) from IVT berseem (SC).
- From IVTO SC, nine entries *viz;* UPO-12-1, OS 405, JO-04-14, JHO-2012-1, OL 1760, SKO 190, JHO-2012-2, RSO-59 and RSO 60 were promoted to AVTOSC-1.
- Four entries *viz;* NDO 711, OS 403, UPO-06-1 and NDO 10 were promoted to AVTOSC-2 from AVTOSC-1.
- Six entries *viz;* JO-04-315, HFO 488, OL 1769, OL 1766, JHO-2012-3 and PLP 14 were promoted to AVTO-1(MC) from IVTO (MC).
- None of the entries were promoted IVTO-dual
- For IVT Lathyrus and AVT-2 Lathyrus location Karjat is dropped.
- Kanpur, Karjat, Pusa centres to be deleted for conduct of AVT-2 Lathyrus (seed).
- From IVT-Lathyrus five entries viz; JLJO-09-2, BK-12-2, RLS-3006-2, JHLS-2012-2 and JHLS-2012-1 were promoted to AVT-1 Lathyrus.
- Two entries viz; JHLS-2011-2 and JLJ-09-1 were promoted from AVT-1 Lathyrus to AVT-2 Lathyrus.
- It was decided that plant samples of the testing entries after 30 and 60 DAS in AVT2 of Lathyrus and seed samples of AVT 2 seed should be collected and send to IGFRI, Jhansi after drying and grinding for evaluation of antinutritional factor.
- Seven new trials were constituted in different crops like berseem (IVTB), oats (IVTO-SC, IVTO-MC and IVTO-dual) Lathyrus (IVT-Lathyrus), Ryegrass (IVT-Ryegrass) and Lucerne (VT –Perennial Lucerne).
- AVTO-2 (SC) trial conducted during Rabi 2011-12 will be repeated in Rabi 2013-14.
- Chairman and co-chairman emphasized on contribution of good material for IVTs by each centre.

All the centres were advised to give more emphasis on germplasm collection, procurement and adopt suitable breeding methodology to develop material and contribution to multilocation trials.

The session ended with vote of thanks to the chairman.

TECHNICAL SESSION – III (CONCURRENT)

FORMULATION OF TECHNICAL PROGRAMME FORAGE CROP PRODUCTION

Chairman	:	Dr. A. R. Sharma, Director, DWSR, Jabalpur
Co- Chairman	:	Prof. Girish Jha, Head, Dept of Agronomy, JNKVV, Jabalpur
Rapporteurs	:	Dr. K. K. Sharma and Mr. Birendra Kumar
Finalization of trials	:	Dr. Naveen Kumar and Dr. S. R. Kantwa

At the outset, chairman emphasised on generation of research information on resource management for increasing forage productivity. He stressed upon need of detailed study in respect of each component technology for development of effective technology. New research programmes were discussed and finalised as follows.

- AST-4: Studies on the effect of irrigation levels on green forage yield and quality of different forage crops during lean period will be conducted one more year (Rabi 13-14).
- The trial on "Performance of perennial fodder sorghum (COFS 29) as influenced by planting geometry and cutting intervals under irrigated condition" was approved by the house for Dharwad, Bikaner and Raipur centres as coordinated trial.
- "Yield potential of cereals with forage legumes under pure stand and mixtures" approved as location specific trial for Srinagar.
- "Studies on intensive fodder cropping systems for yield maximization" approved as location specific trial for Raipur.

• Altogether 17 experiments were conducted at 25 locations. Two AVT based trials, two location specific trials and one coordinated trials will be started from *Rabi* 2013-14.

Four trials were concluded and recommendations are as follows:

- Intercropping of banana with bajra napier hybrid was found most remunerative system for Kerala.
- Application of FYM (10 t/ha) + ZnSO₄ 20kg/ha + Gypsum 5q/ha along with RDF to fodder sorghum was found best treatment for increasing fodder productivity and remuneration under saline sodic soil at Mandya.
- In south zone, growing of Para/BN hybrid under waste water supplemented with 100% RDF resulted in the highest GFY and monetary return.
- In NEZ conventional tillage recorded higher GFY and net return of oat with out affecting rice yield. Further application of 100% Recommended dose of fertilizer + Biofertilizer (*Azotobactor* + PSB) resulted in higher fodder productivity and net returns.

In chairman's remark, Dr Sharma asked for identifying the research gap and chalk out programmes to get research information with utility for end user, *i. e.*, farming community. He also appealed to effectively conduct 'on farm demonstration programme' for proper dissemination of technology.

The session ended with vote of thanks to the chair.

TECHNICAL SESSION- III (CONCURRENT) FORMULATION OF TECHNICAL PROGRAMME FORAGE CROP PROTECTION

Chairman	:	Dr. N. D. Sharma, JNKVV, Jabalpur	Ex-Prof.	&	Head,	Dept.	Plant	Pathology,
Co- Chairman	:	Dr. O.P. Veda, Head, D	eptt. of Ent	om	ology ar	ıd		
		Dr. A. G. Nema, Head	Deptt. of Pl	ant	Patholog	gy, JNK	VV, Ja	balpur
Rapporteurs	:	Drs. Upasana Rani and A	A. B. Tamb	e				
Finalization of trials	:	Drs. R. B. Bhaskar and	Ritu Mawar	•				

Forage Scientists of Plant Pathology and Entomology disciplines discussed in detail the achievements of the last R*abi* season along with the ongoing technical programme. Dr. S.B. Dass, Professor of Entomology and Dr. S. P. Tiwari, Professor Nematology also participated in the discussion. The Chairman gave valuable suggestions for further improvement of the technical programme. Based on the discussion and suggestions made by the Chairman, the following recommendations emerged.

- 1. The trials PPT-1 and PPT-2: A & B will continue as they are of continuous nature.
- 2. PPT-12, PPT-17 and PPT-18 will also continue in the *Rabi* 13-14.
- 3. The chairman suggested that all the plant protection scientists should record the observations of insect-pests and diseases in agronomy (AVT) trials.
- 4. Rahuri centre should supply the seed samples to check the population of *Ditylenchus dipsaci* nematode to the Project In-charge, AICRP on Nematodes, Department of Plant Pathology, JNKVV, Jabalpur.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to Chair.

TECHNICAL SESSION – IV

REVIEW OF RESEARCH ACTIVITIES: CENTRE WISE PRESENTATION

Chairman	:	Dr. A. K. Roy, PC, AICRP-FC
Co-Chairman	:	Dr. Dinesh Kumar, Principal Scientist, FFC section, ICAR
Rapporteus	:	Dr. J. K. Bisht & Dr. P. M. Patel

The Session started with introductory remarks by the Chairman. Twenty two centers from different zone have presented the reports.

- Palampur centre has a good collection of Fescue grass and attempts were made for generation of new genetic material in winter grasses.
- Srinagar center reported good progress on oat.
- Almora center reported dual purpose wheat varieties for fodder availability during lean (winter) season.
- Ranchi center is advised to strengthen the germplasm holding by exploration to different areas. They should start work on *Deenanath* grass.
- Jorhat centre have reported successful introduction of rice bean under rice fallow system.
- Rahuri centre was asked to share the material of poly-cross Lucerne nursery with Bikaner.
- Anand center reported good progress in breeding programme in Lucerne.
- Mandya centre have developed inbred line of maize, therefore they were advised to go for hybridization programme.

Some of the important recommendations emerged out after thread bear discussion

- It has been advised that the respective centres should give details of the germplasm status at their centre and should try to enrich the germplasm holding in mandated crops. They should also characterize the germplasm and identify superior lines and donors of desirable traits.
- To strengthen the forage improvement programme, emphasis should be given to germplasm collection from different sources
- All the centers were advised to respect the IPR issues. They are further advised not to use material from other sources without consent of concerned breeder/ institution.
- All the germplasm available with different centers need to be characterized and IC numbers should be obtained from NBPGR.
- It is advised that all the centers should concentrate on their allotted crops.
- All the center should share their breeding materials with other centers having the same mandated crops.
- All the germplasm exchange from foreign countries should be routed through NBPGR, New Delhi. It must be strictly followed.
- Regarding placement of staff in AICRP coordinating units, it was pointed out that higher cadre persons should be posted against the sanctioned post of lower cadre.
- AICRP centres were requested to supply the released varieties seed material for their conservation at NBPGR as only 58 released varieties have been conserved.
- Any recognition / achievement by the centers regarding forage research should be communicated to AICRP FC coordinating unit for compilation in annual report. The session ended with the thanks to Chair.

Technical Session-V

FTD & TSP Formulation

Chairman	:	Dr. A. K. Roy
Rapporteurs	:	Drs. Amit Jha & Ritu Mawar

At the outset, the chairman welcomed all the participants. Dr. S. R. Kantwa (Senior Scientist) presented the status of FTD's allotted to AICRP (FC) centres for *Rabi* 2013-14.

A total of 598 FTD's were allotted to 23 AICRP centres for Rabi crops. It comprised of 150 FTDs to berseem, 95 to lucerne, 280 to oat, 15 to laythrus, 5 to tall fescue, 5 to rabi maize, 15 to cowpea, 3 to white clover and 20 to rye grass.

The following decisions were taken after the discussion.

- All the centres should send the results of the demonstrations along with details of beneficiaries (farmers).
- Farmers should not be repeated for the same crop and variety in subsequent years.
- As far as possible every year, the target villages and beneficiaries should be changed.
- The data regarding GFY and seed yield etc should be recorded and analyzed before reporting. The report along with good photograph should be send for compilation in annual report.
- The agronomist in the center will be responsible for FTD and TSP trials under the supervision of OIC center.
- TSP and FTD budget utilization should be mentioned separately in the AUC.
- In case of TSP, quarterly report should be submitted immediately after the end of every quarter for onward transmission to ICAR. (It is time bound activity).

The session ended with vote of thanks to the chair.

Technical Session-VI (PGR & IPR Issues)

Chairman	Dr. S. S. Tomar, DRS, JNKVV, Jabalpur
Convener	Dr. A. K. Roy, Project Coordinator (FC)
Rapporteurs	Dr. A. K. Mall

At the outset, the chairman welcomed all the three speakers and expressed the views that three important topics being covered by eminent speakers will be beneficial for all. He appealed all the participants to pay attention to the lectures.

Dr Anjali Kak, Principal Scientist, NBPGR, New Delhi gave an extensive talk on 'Registration of Novel and Unique Germplasm'. She deliberated in detail about the scope and importance of germplasm registration and detailed the methodology of registration. She also gave a status report of forage crop germplasm conserved at NBPGR. She highlighted the need of constitution of the institute germplasm registration committee at all the centres. It was pointed out that unique and distinct material developed during the process of breeding varieties as well as unique germplasm collected/ identified can be registered at NBPGR.

Dr V. K. Yadav, Principal Scientist, IGFRI, Jhansi gave a talk on 'DUS testing guidelines'. He discussed in detail about the need of DUS testing guidelines and explained the various steps of on-going DUS testing guidelines development in oat, Cowpea and Guinea grass. He presented the details of characters and invited suggestion from the participants to improve upon them.

Dr. D. Khare, Professor, JNKVV, Jabalpur explained the various aspects of 'PPV & FRA'. He gave details of uniqueness, various rules and regulations of the act. He elucidated about the varietal registration process, application procedure, different types of varieties protected under this act.

At the end chairman and co chairman appreciated all the speakers for informative presentations and also suggested to all the participating centres to seek full advantage out of the vast knowledge provided by the speakers on different components of fodder genetic resources and Intellectual Property Right.

The session ended with vote of thanks to the chairman.

Proceeding of the Varietal Identification Committee

Varietal Identification Committee meeting was held on 7th September, 2013 during the National Group Meeting (Rabi 2012-13) of AICRP (Forage Crops) at JNKVV, Jabalpur under the chairmanship of Dr S. K. Datta, Deputy Director General (Crop Science) ICAR, New Delhi

A total of seven proposals of four forage crops viz., Oat (3), Tall fescue (1), Bajra (2), Lucerne (1) were submitted by different institutes/ SAUs/ Pvt. Companies. The proposals were discussed thoroughly. The recommendations of the committee are as following:

Tall Fescue Grass (*Festuca arundinacea*) entry HIMA 14: The proposal was submitted by HPKVV, Palampur. The entry was found superior in GFY and DMY against the qualifying entry and all the checks. It was also having good quality and no problem of diseases and pest. The committee recommends its identification for release for hill zone of Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, and Jammu and Kashmir for sub-temperate and temperate grasslands/ pastures and cultivation.

Lucerne (*Medicago sativa*) entry Anand – 23 (AL -4): The proposal was submitted by AAU, Anand. The entry was found superior against both the checks for GFY and DMY. It also showed superiority for per day productivity for both GFY and DMY. The entry is also having good quality (>21% Crude protein). The material was having a different genetic background being a local collection from north Gujarat (Kutcch region of Gujarat). Hence, the entry was recommended for identification for release for north-west zone for the states of Punjab, Rajsthan for cultivation as the perennial fodder crop variety.

Pearl millet (*Pennisetum glaucum*) entry RBB-1 (Raj Bajra -1): The proposal was submitted by SKRAU, Bikaner. The committee observed that the entry was significantly inferior in green fodder yield against the check Giant Bajra. Hence the committee did not recommend its identification.

Oat (*Avena sativa*) entry OS-377: The proposal was submitted by CCS HAU, Hisar for central zone. The entry was found superior against both the national checks and the zonal check for GFY and DMY. It was also superior against all the qualifying entries. It was also superior for per day productivity for both green fodder and dry matter. There was no major disease problem. The committee recommends its identification for release for central zone under irrigated conditions in single cut system in rabi season for the states of Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh.

Oat (*Avena sativa*) entry JHO 2010-1: The proposal was submitted by IGFRI, Jhansi. The committee observed its superiority for GFY and CPY against all the checks. It was also superior against all the checks and qualifying entries for DMY. The committee recommends its identification for release for the south zone under irrigated conditions in single cut system in *Rabi* season for the states of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu.

Oat (*Avena sativa*) **entry UPO 09-1:** The proposal was submitted by GBPUAT, Pantnagar. The committee observed that the entry had at par or slightly better / inferior performance against some of the checks and qualifying entries. Committee recommends that the full trial of AVT-2 should be repeated again for one year to observe the consistency and performance of all the entries.

Pearl millet (*Pennisetum glaucum*) entry PAC 981: The proposal was submitted by Advanta Limited, Hyderabad. The committee observed it superiority for GFY and DMY against all the checks and qualifying entries. It was also superior for per day productivity against the checks and qualifying entries for both green fodder and dry matter yield. The committee recommends its identification for release for cultivation in the irrigated/ rainfed condition in the state of Punjab, Haryana, Rajasthan in the NW zone and Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Uttar Pradesh in the central zone.

TECHNICAL SESSION -VII PLENARY SESSION

Chairman	: Dr. V. S. Tomar, Vice-Chancellor, JNKVV, Jabalpur
Co-Chairman	: Dr. P. K. Ghosh, Director, IGFRI, Jhansi
Convener	: Dr. A. K. Roy, Project Coordinator (FC)
Rapporteurs	: Drs. S. R. Kantwa and A. K. Mall

The rapporteurs of different technical sessions presented proceedings of respective sessions. The aspects and major issues related to *Rabi* 2013-14 programme in specific and forage research in general were discussed. The recommendation of technical session were discussed and accepted after approval of the house. The modifications suggested by the house were incorporated in the respective session proceedings.

Dr. V. S. Tomar, Vice-Chancellor, JNKVV, Jabalpur, appealed to all the scientists to work wholeheartedly for development of suitable technologies. He stressed upon the need of developing user-friendly and economically viable technologies which can be readily adapted by the farmers. He congratulated the scientists of the institutions whose varieties were identified for release.

Dr. P. K. Ghosh, Director, IGFRI, Jhansi highlighted the achievements and new initiatives in forage research. He thanked the authorities of JNKVV for excellent hospitality.

Dr A. K. Mehta, OIC, AICRP–FC, JNKVV, Jabalpur extended vote of thanks to the ICAR authorities, Project Coordinator and his team, participants, local team and media for successful conductance of National Group meet at the end of session.

Dr A. K. Roy, PC, AICRP Forage Crops congratulated all the participants for successful conductance of the programme. He thanked the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Director Research Services, Staff and students of JNKVV, Jabalpur for their warm hospitality, excellent boarding and lodging arrangements, facilities and conductance of the programme.

TECHNICAL PROGRAMME FOR *RABI-2013-14* FORAGE CROP IMPROVEMENT (PLANT BREEDING)

Number of entries	4 + 2 NC + 1 ZC
Contributors	2: Hisar; 1: Jhansi; 1 Jabalpur
National checks	Wardan, Mescavi (2)
Zonal checks	BL-22 (HZ), Bundel Berseem-2 (CZ & NWZ), Bundel Berseem-3 (NEZ)
Design	RBD with 3 replications
Plot size	3.0 x 3.0 m
Spacing	Row to row-30 cm (each plot accommodating 10 rows of 3 m length)
Seed rate	22 g per plot (approx. 25 kg/ha)
Seed requirement	2.25 kg/entry from each contributor ; 1.0 Kg for each zonal check
Fertilizer	N-20 kg, P ₂ O ₅ 80 kg/ha
Locations (21)	HZ- Palampur, Srinagar, NWZ-Pantnagar, Bikaner, Hisar, Ludhiana, Jalore, Meerut
	& Udaipur, NEZ-Kalyani, Ranchi, Faizabad, Bhubaneswar, Pusa, CZ- Jhansi,
	Rahuri, Jabalpur, Urulikanchan, Palgarh, Kanpur, Raipur

1. IVT Berseem: Initial Varietal Trial in Berseem

2. AVT-1: First Advanced Varietal Trial in Berseem (SC)

Number of entries	4 + 2 NC + 1 ZC
Name of the entries	JBSC-1, JBSC-2, JBSC-3 & JBSC-4 (Jhansi)
National checks	Wardan, Mescavi
Zonal checks	Bundel Berseem-2 (CZ & NWZ)
Design	RBD with 3 replications
Plot size	4.0 x 3.0 m
Spacing	Row to row-30 cm (each plot accommodating 10 rows of 3 m length)
Seed rate	30 g per plot (approx. 25 kg/ha)
Seed requirement	1.25 kg/entry from contributor; 1.25 Kg for each national and zonal check
Fertilizer	N-20 kg, P ₂ O ₅₋ 80 kg/ha
Locations (8)	CZ- Jhansi, Rahuri, Jabalpur, Urulikanchan, Karjat, NWZ- Bikaner, Hisar,
	Ludhiana
Special note	Cut has to be taken at 60 Days after sowing

3. IVT Oat (SC): Initial Varietal Trial in Oat (Single cut)

Number of entries	13 + 2 NC +1 ZC
Contributors	3: Srinagar; 1: Hisar; 3: Ludhiana; 2: Rahuri; 2: Jhansi; 1: Jabalpur; 1: Faizabad
National checks	Kent and OS-6
Zonal check	SKO-90 (HZ), OL-125 (NWZ), JHO-99-2 (NEZ), JHO-822 (CZ), JHO- 2000-4 (SZ)
Design	RBD with 3 replications
Plot size	3.0 x 3.0 m
Spacing	Row to row: 25 cm (each plot accommodating 12 rows of 3 m length)
Seed rate	90 g per plot (approx. 100 kg/ha)
Seed requirement	10.0 kg/entry from each contributor; 3.5 Kg for each zonal check
Fertilizer	N- 80 kg, P ₂ O ₅ -40 kg/ha
Locations (27)	HZ- Palampur, Srinagar NWZ- Bikaner, Jalore, Hisar, Ludhiana, Pantnagar,
	Udaipur, Meerut NEZ- Jorhat, Kalyani, Bhubaneswar, Ranchi, Pusa, Faizabad, CAU
	Imphal CZ- Jhansi, Rahuri, Urulikanchan, Palgarh, Kanpur, Anand, Jabalpur, Raipur
	SZ- Hyderabad, Mandya, Coimbatore (Ooty)

Number of entries:	9 + 2 NC +1 ZC
Name of entries:	UPO-12-1, OS-405, JO-04-14, JHO-2012-1, JHO-2012-2, OL-1760, SKO-190,
	RSO-59 & RSO-60
National checks:	Kent and OS-6
Zonal checks:	SKO-90 (HZ), OL-125 (NWZ), JHO-99-2 (NEZ), JHO-822 (CZ), JHO- 2000-4
	(SZ)
Design:	RBD with 3 replications
Plot size:	4.0 x 3.0 m
Spacing:	Row to row-25 cm (each plot accommodating 12 rows of 4 m length)
Seed rate:	120 g per plot (approx. 100 kg/ha)
Seed requirement	11.5 kg/entry from each contributor; 4.0 kg for each zonal check
Fertilizer:	N- 80 kg, P ₂ O ₅ -40 kg/ha
Locations (27):	HZ- Palampur, Srinagar NWZ- Bikaner, Jalore, Hisar, Ludhiana, Pantnagar,
	Udaipur, Meerut NEZ- Jorhat, Kalyani, Bhubaneswar, Ranchi, Pusa, Faizabad,
	CAU Imphal CZ- Jhansi, Rahuri, Urulikanchan, Karjat, Kanpur, Anand,
	Jabalpur, Raipur SZ- Hyderabad, Mandya, Coimbatore (Ooty)

4. AVT Oat (SC)-1: First Advanced Varietal Trial in Oat (Single cut)

5. AVT Oat (S	SC)-2:	Second Advanced	Varietal 7	Frial in (Oat (S	ingle cut)
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Number of entries	4 + 2 NC + 1 ZC
Name of entries	NDO-711, OS-403, UPO-06-1 and NDO-10
National checks	Kent and OS-6
Zonal checks	Palampur-1(HZ), OL-125 (NWZ), JHO-99-2 (NEZ), JHO-822 (CZ), JHO-2000-4
	(SZ)
Design	RBD with 3 replications
Plot size	4.0 x 3.0 m
Spacing	Row to row- 25 cm (each plot accommodating 12 rows of 4 m length)
Seed rate	120 g per plot (approx. 100 kg/ha)
Seed requirement	11.5 kg/entry from each contributor; 4.0 kg for each zonal check
Fertilizer	N- 80 kg, P ₂ O ₅ - 40 kg/ha
Locations (27)	HZ- Palampur, Srinagar NWZ- Bikaner, Jalore, Hisar, Ludhiana, Pantnagar,
	Udaipur, Meerut NEZ- Jorhat, Kalyani, Bhubaneswar, Ranchi, Pusa, Faizabad,
	CAU Imphal CZ- Jhansi, Rahuri, Urulikanchan, Karjat, Kanpur, Anand, Jabalpur,
	Raipur SZ- Hyderabad, Mandya, Coimbatore (Ooty)

5A. AVT Oat (SC)-2 (Agronomy)

Number of entries	4+2+1
Name of entries	NDO-711, OS-403, UPO-06-1 and NDO-10
National checks	Kent and OS-6
Zonal checks:	Palampur-1(HZ), OL-125 (NWZ), JHO-99-2 (NEZ), JHO-822 (CZ), JHO- 2000-4
	(SZ)
Seed requirement	12.00 kg from each contributor for entries and national check
	4.00 kg for each zonal check
Locations (11)	HZ- Palampur, Srinagar NWZ- Hisar, Pantnagar, NEZ- Jorhat, Ranchi, Kalyani
	CZ- Jhansi, Jabalpur, SZ- Mandya, Coimbatore (Ooty)

Number of entries	4 + 2 NC + 1 ZC
Name of entries	NDO-711, OS-403, UPO-06-1 and NDO-10
National checks	Kent and OS-6
Zonal check	Palampur-1(HZ), OL-125 (NWZ), JHO-99-2 (NEZ), JHO-822 (CZ), JHO-2000-4
	(SZ)
Design	RBD with 3 replications
Plot size	4.0 x 3.0 m
Spacing	Row to row- 25 cm (each plot accommodating 12 rows of 4 m length)
Seed rate	100 g per plot (approx. 80 kg/ha)
Seed requirement	4.0 kg/entry from each contributor; 1.25 kg for each zonal check
Fertilizer	N- 80 kg, P ₂ O ₅ .40 kg/ha
Locations (10)	HZ- Palampur, Srinagar, NWZ- Hisar, Pantnagar, NEZ- Jorhat, Ranchi CZ-
	Jhansi, Jabalpur, SZ- Mandya, Hyderabad

6. AVT Oat (SC)-2 (Seed): Second Advanced Varietal Trial in Oats (Single cut) for seed

7. AVT Oat (SC)-2: Second Advanced Varietal Trial in Oat (Single cut) 2011-12 (Repeat)

Number of entries	8 + 2 NC +1 ZC
Name of entries	JHO-2009-1, JHO-2009-2, UPO-09-1, UPO-09-2, SKO-148, SKO-156,
	OS-363 & JO-03-95
National checks	Kent and OS-6
Zonal checks	Palampur-1(HZ), OL-125 (NWZ), JHO-99-2 (NEZ), JHO-822 (CZ),
	JHO-2000-4 (SZ)
Design	RBD with 3 replications
Plot size	4.0 x 3.0 m
Spacing	Row to row- 25 cm (each plot accommodating 12 rows of 4 m length)
Seed rate	120 g per plot (approx. 100 kg/ha)
Seed requirement	10.5 kg/entry from each contributor; 4.0 kg for each zonal check
Fertilizer	N- 80 kg, P ₂ O ₅ - 40 kg/ha
Locations (24)	HZ- Palampur, Srinagar NWZ- Bikaner, Jalore, Hisar, Ludhiana, Pantnagar &
	Meerut NEZ- Jorhat, Kalyani, Bhubaneswar, Ranchi, Pusa, Faizabad, CAU Imphal
	CZ- Jhansi, Rahuri, Urulikanchan, Kanpur, Anand, Jabalpur SZ- Hyderabad,
	Mandya, Coimbatore (Ooty)

8. AVT Oat (SC)-2 (Seed): Second Advanced Varietal Trial in Oat (Single cut) for Seed 2011-12 (Repeat)

Number of entries	8 + 2 NC +1 ZC
Name of entries:	JHO-2009-1, JHO-2009-2, UPO-09-1, UPO-09-2, SKO-148, SKO-156,
	OS-363 & JO-03-95
National checks:	Kent and OS-6
Zonal checks:	Palampur-1(HZ), OL-125 (NWZ), JHO-99-2 (NEZ), JHO-822 (CZ),
	JHO-2000-4 (SZ)
Design:	RBD with 3 replications
Plot size:	4.0 x 3.0 m
Spacing:	Row to row- 25 cm (each plot accommodating 12 rows of 4 m length)
Seed rate:	100 g per plot (approx. 80 kg/ha)
Seed requirement	4.0 kg/entry from each contributor; 1.25 kg for each zonal check
Fertilizer:	N- 80 kg, P ₂ O ₅ - 40 kg/ha
Locations (9):	HZ- Palampur, Srinagar NWZ- Hisar, Pantnagar NEZ- Jorhat, Ranchi
	CZ- Jhansi, Jabalpur SZ-Mandya

Number of entries	9 + 3 NC
Contributors	1: Jabalpur; 1: Rahuri; 2: Jhansi; 3: Ludhiana; 1: Hisar; 1: Palampur
National checks	Kent, UPO-212 and RO-19
Design	RBD with 3 replications
Plot size	3.0 x 3.0 m
Spacing	Row to row-25 cm (each plot having 12 rows of 3.0 m length)
Seed rate	90 g per plot (approx. 100 kg/ha)
Seed requirement	6.5 kg/entry from each contributor; 6.5 kg for each national check
Fertilizer	N-80 kg, P ₂ O ₅ -40 kg/ha
Locations (19)	HZ: Palampur, Srinagar, Almora NWZ: Pantnagar, Hisar, Jalore, Ludhiana, Udaipur
	NEZ: Ranchi, Pusa, Faizabad, Jorhat, Bhubanewar, Imphal CZ: Jhansi, Anand,
	Jabalpur, Rahuri, Urulikanchan,

9. IVTO (MC): Initial Varietal Trial in Oat (Multi cut)

10. AVTO-1 (MC): First Advanced Varietal Trial in Oat (Multi cut)

Number of entries	6 + 3 NC
Name of entries	JO-04-315, HFO-488, OL-1769, OL-1766, JHO-2012-3, PLP-14
National checks	Kent, UPO-212 and RO-19
Design	RBD with 3 replications
Plot size	4.0 x 3.0 m
Spacing	Row to row-25 cm (each plot having 12 rows of 3.0 m length)
Seed rate	120 g per plot (approx. 100 kg/ha)
Seed requirement	8.5 kg/entry from each contributor; 8.5 kg for each national check
Fertilizer	N-80 kg, P ₂ O ₅ -40 kg/ha
Locations (19)	HZ: Palampur, Srinagar, Almora NWZ: Pantnagar, Hisar, Jalore, Ludhiana, Udaipur
	NEZ: Ranchi, Pusa, Faizabad, Jorhat, Bhubanewar, Imphal CZ: Jhansi, Anand,
	Jabalpur, Rahuri, Urulikanchan,

11. IVT Oat (Dual): Initial Varietal Trial in Oat (Dual)

Number of entries	6 + 3 NC
Contributors	1: Jabalpur; 2: Jhansi; 1: Hisar; 2: Ludhiana
National checks	RO-19, UPO-212 and JHO-822
Design	RBD with 3 replications
Plot size	3.0 x 3.0 m
Spacing	Row to row : 25 cm (each plot accommodating 12 rows of 3 m length)
Seed rate	90 g per plot (approx. 100 kg/ha)
Seed requirement	7.0 kg/entry from each contributor & 7.0 kg for each national check
Fertilizer	N- 80 kg, P ₂ O ₅ -40 kg/ha
Locations (19)	HZ- Palampur, Srinagar NWZ- Bikaner, Jalore, Hisar, Ludhiana, Pantnagar,
	Udaipur, NEZ- Jorhat, Bhubaneswar, Ranchi, Faizabad,
	CZ- Jhansi, Rahuri, Urulikanchan, Karjat, Anand, Jabalpur, Raipur

Number of entries	3 + 3 NC
Contributors	1: Kalyani; JHLS-2013-1 and JHLS-2013-2
National checks	Nirmal, Mahateora, Prateek
Design	RBD with 4 replications
Plot size	3.0 x 3.0 m
Spacing	Row to row: 30 cm (each plot accommodating 10 rows of 3.0 m length)
Seed rate	36.0 g per plot (Approx. 40 kg/ha)
Seed requirement	1.75 kg/entry from each contributor; 1.75 kg for each national check
Fertilizer	N-20kg, P ₂ O ₅ -40 kg/ha
Locations (9)	Jorhat, Kalyani, Bhubneshwar, Ranchi, Pusa, Jhansi, Jabalpur, Kanpur & Raipur

12. IVT Lathyrus: Initial Varietal Trial in Lathyrus

13. AVT Lathyrus-1: First Advanced Varietal Trial in Lathyrus

Number of entries	5 + 3 NC
Name of entries	JLJO-09-2, BK-12-2, RLS-3006-2, JHLS-2012-2 & JHLS-2012-1
National checks	Nirmal, Mahateora, Prateek
Design	RBD with 3 replications
Plot size	4.0 x 3.0 m
Spacing	Row to row: 30 cm (each plot accommodating 10 rows of 4.0 m length)
Seed rate	48.0 g per plot (Approx. 40 kg/ha)
Seed requirement	2.0 kg/entry from each contributor; 2.0 kg for each national check
Fertilizer	N-20kg, P ₂ O ₅ -40 kg/ha
Locations (9)	Jorhat, Kalyani, Bhubneshwar, Ranchi, Pusa, Jhansi, Jabalpur, Kanpur & Raipur

14. AVT Lathyrus-2: Second Advanced Varietal Trial in Lathyrus

Number of entries	2 + 3 NC
Name of entries	JHLS-2011-2 & JLJ-09-1
National checks	Nirmal, Mahateora, Prateek
Design	RBD with 4 replications
Plot size	4.0 x 3.0 m
Spacing	Row to row: 30 cm (each plot accommodating 10 rows of 4.0 m length)
Seed rate	48.0 g per plot (Approx. 40 kg/ha)
Seed requirement	2.5 kg/entry from each contributor; 2.5 kg for each national check
Fertilizer	N-20kg, P ₂ O ₅ -40 kg/ha
Locations (8)	Jorhat, Kalyani, Bhubneshwar, Ranchi, Pusa, Jhansi, Jabalpur & Kanpur

14 A. AVT Lathyrus-2 (Agronomy)

Number of entries	2 + 3 NC
Name of entries	JHLS-2011-2 & JLJ-09-1
National checks	Nirmal, Mahateora, Prateek
Seed requirement	3.5 kg/entry from each contributor; 3.5 kg for each national check
Locations (7)	NEZ-Jorhat, Kalyani, Bhubaneswar, Ranchi CZ-Jhansi, Jabalpur & Raipur

Number of entries	2 + 3 NC
Name of entries	JHLS-2011-2 & JLJ-09-1
National checks	Nirmal, Mahateora, Prateek
Design	RBD with 4 replications
Plot size	4.0 x 3.0 m
Spacing	Row to row: 30 cm (each plot accommodating 10 rows of 4.0 m length)
Seed rate	48.0 g per plot (Approx. 40 kg/ha)
Seed requirement	2.5 kg/entry from each contributor; 2.5 kg for each national check
Fertilizer	N-20kg, P ₂ O ₅ -40 kg/ha
Locations (6)	Jorhat, Kalyani, Bhubneshwar, Ranchi, Jhansi & Jabalpur

15. AVT Lathyrus-2: Second Advanced Varietal Trial in Lathyrus for seed

16. VT Lucerne (P)-2011: Varietal Trial in Lucerne (Perennial)-3rd year

Number of entries	6 + 2 NC	
Contributors	Anand-1, Urilikanchan-1, Dharwad-1, Rahuri-1, Coimbatore-1, Bikaner-1	
Being perennial in nature, trial will be continued in Rabi 2013-14		

17. VT Lucerne (P)-2013: Varietal Trial in Lucerne (Perennial)-1st year

Number of entries	5 + 2 NC		
Contributors	1: Urulikanchan; 1: Coimbatore; 2: Anand; 1: Rahuri		
National checks	Anand-2, RL-88		
Design	RBD with 3 replications		
Plot size	4.0 x 3.0 m		
Spacing	Row to row : 30 cm (each plot accommodating 10 rows of 4.0 m length)		
Seed rate	30.0 g per plot (Approx. 25 kg/ha)		
Seed requirement	1.75 kg/entry from each contributor; 1.75 kg for each national check		
Fertilizer	N-20kg, P ₂ O ₅ -80 kg/ha		
Locations (12)	NWZ- Ludhiana, Hisar, Bikaner, Jalore, Udaipur CZ- Rahuri, Urulikanchan,		
	Anand, Raipur SZ- Hyderabad, Coimbatore, Mandya		

<u>Abbreviations</u>: HZ-Hill zone, NWZ-North-west zone, NEZ-North-east zone, CZ-Central zone, SZ-South zone

DATA TO BE RECORDED ON BREEDING TRIALS

- ➢ GFY (q/ha), DMY(q/ha), per day productivity for green forage and dry matter yield (q/ha/day).
- Ancillary characters, like plant height, leafiness (Leaf / Stem ratio).
- Seed and stover yield in case of Seed trial.
- > In IVT trials, only CP (%) and CP yield in all the cuts.
- > In AVT trials, CP (%), CP yield, NDF (%), ADF (%) and IVDMD (%)in all the cuts.
- ➤ In Oat (SC), cut for fodder at the time of 50% flowering..
- In Oat (MC), two cut for fodder has to be taken, fisrt cut after 55-60 days of sowing and second cut at 50% flowering
- In Oat (Dual), cut for fodder after 55-60 days of sowing and then left for grain harvesting. In this trial, biological yield has to be recorded.
- ▶ In Berseem (SC), cut has to be taken at 60 days after sowing.

<u>Note</u>: <u>In case of Single cut, data are to be recorded at 50% flowering stage. In case of multi-cut, data are to be recorded cut wise</u>.

Yield (kg. /plot)

<u>Yield Conversion Factor:</u> Yield (q/ha) = ------ X 100

Net plot size (m²)

WORKING SCHEDULE FOR RABI 2013-14

- Seed of checks and entries to be supplied by contributors to AICRP (FC) unit, Jhansi by 30.9. 2013.
- Seed for trials will be dispatched by AICRP (FC) unit, Jhansi to the testing locations/centers by 10.10. 2013.
- > Trial sowing report to PC (FC): within 7 days of sowing.
- Information on trials failure, etc. is communicated immediately to PC (FC) through the Director of Research/Director ICAR institute.
- Rabi trial's data are to be submitted by testing centres to PC (FC) Jhansi up to May 10, 2014. In case of seed yield and quality traits up to 20 May, 2014.
- ➤ Reporting of Breeder seed (BSP-IV): May 20, 2014.

Important & Urgent

For Breeding and Agronomy (AVT-2) trials, seed of the check varieties are to be supplied by the concerned scientist to PC (FC) by September 30, 2013.

S.N.	Crop & Variety	Quantity Required	Seed Source			
1.	Berseem					
	Wardan	3.5 Kg	Dr. D. R. Malaviya,			
	Bundel Berseem-2	3.5 Kg	Head, Division of Seed Technology,			
	Bundel Berseem-3	1.25 Kg	IGFRI, Jhansi			
	Mescavi	4.0 Kg	Dr. Yogesh Jindal,			
			CCS HAU, Hisar			
	BL-22	1.25 Kg	Dr. R. K. Bajaj,			
			Senior Breeder, PAU, Ludhiana			
2.	Oat	•				
	Kent	80.0 Kg	Dr. D. R. Malviya,			
	JHO-99-2	23.5 Kg	Head, Division of Seed Technology,			
	JHO-822	30.0 Kg	IGFRI, Jhansi			
	JHO-2000-4	22.0 Kg	1			
	OS-6	64.0 Kg	Dr. Yogesh Jindal,			
			CCS HAU, Hisar			
	SKO-90	7.5 Kg	Dr. Gul Zaffar,			
			Sr. Scientist (PB),			
			SKUAST, Srinagar			
	OL-125	22.0 Kg	Dr. R. K. Bajaj,			
			Senior Breeder, PAU, Ludhiana			
	Palampur-1	16.0 Kg	Dr. Naveen Kumar,			
			Sr. Agronomist & OIC,			
			CSK HPKV, Palampur			
	UPO-212	22.0 Kg	Dr. J. S. Verma,			
			Professor (PBG), GBPUA&T, Pantnagar			
	RO-19	22.0 Kg	Dr. A. H. Sonane,			
		_	Forage Breeder & OIC,			
			MPKV, Rahuri			
3.	Lathyrus					
	Nirmal	12.5 Kg	Dr. C. K. Kundu,			
			Agronomist & OIC			
			BCKV, Kalyani			
	Mahateora	12.5 Kg	Dr. Nitish Tiwari,			
	Prateek	12.5 Kg	Scientist (Agronomy),			
			IGKV, Raipur			
4.	Lucerne					
	Anand-2	1.75 Kg	Dr. H. P. Parmar,			
			Research Scientist (FC),			
			AAU, Anand			
	RL-88	1.75 Kg	Dr. A. H. Sonane,			
			Forage Breeder & OIC,			
			MPKV, Rahuri			

Five years

(B) FORAGE CROP PRODUCTION (AGRONOMY) RABI-2013-14

(A) ON-GOING COORDINATED TRIALS:

AST 1: RESOURCE CONSERVATION THROUGH FORAGES Objectives:

- To study the effect of resource conservation techniques (RCT) on forage yield of the system
- To study the effect of resource conservation through forages (RCT) on physico chemical status of soil.
- To study the economics of the system.

Year of start : Kharif 2009 (Establishment) Duration:

Methodology :

Phase I: (2009)

- Studies on initial physico-chemical status of the soil i.e., WHC, Infiltration rate, pH, OC (%), available N, P & K and microbial population.
- Formulation of zone specific RCT through forage crops in pilot trial mode.

Phase II: (2010-2011 to 2012-13)

- Execution of the experiments as per the technical programme in the respective zone
- Observation recording on growth, yield and quality in different seasons of system in each year
- Recording observation on soil fertility status after end of the in each year.

Phase III: (2013-14)

- Recording final physico-chemical soil status after completion of the study
- Computation of data and analysis and preparation of the report

Observation to be recorded:

A. Crop growth:

i- Plant / shoot population at harvest (per m²) ii- Plant height at harvest iii- Leaf : Stem ratio
B. Yield (q/ha):

- i- Green fodder ii- Dry matter iii- Grain yield iv- Straw yield v- Forage equivalent yield **C. Ouality**:
 - i- Crude protein content (%)

ii- Crude protein yield (q/ha)

D. Economics: i- Cost of cultivation (Rs./ha)

ii-Gross monetary return (Rs./ha) iv-Benefit : cost ratio

- iii-Net monetary return (Rs./ha)E. Soil studies:
 - Soil fertility status viz., pH, OC (%), EC, available NPK and microbial population before and after completion of the experiment.

Soil moisture conservation studies: Soil moisture data from 0-15 and 15-30 cm depth at initial, 15 days after germination and later on every 30 days interval.

NOTE: Specific observations will be recorded as per experimental need.

1. Hill Zone:

Subtitle: Effect of vegetative cover barriers and improved forage species onconservation of degraded grasslandDesign: SplitReplication (s): Three

Treatments:

A. Vegetative barriers

- 1. No vegetative barrier 2. Napier Bajra Hybrid (NB-37) 3. Setaria anceps
- **B.** Planting of improved species
- 1. Local grass
 2. Setaria anceps (PSS-1)
 3. Stylosanthes hamata
 4. Setaria anceps +

 Stylosanthes hamata
 5. Stylosanthes hamata
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2. North-West Zone

Subtitle: Effect of different tillage practices on productivity of forage crop in the prevalent crop sequence (Irrigated conditions)

Design: RBD

Replication(s) : Three T₂–2 Cultivation (1 Disc **Treatments:** T_1 -Conventional tillage (1 Disc harrow + 2 Cultivator), harrow + 1 Cultivator), T_{3} -2 cultivation (Rotavator) T_{4} -1 cultivation (Disc harrow) T_{5} -1 cultivation (Rotavator), T₆-Broadcasting of seed before T-3, T₇-Broadcasting of seed before T-5, T₈-No cultivation (zero tillage)

Locations (3): Ludhiana, Hisar and Pantnagar

3. Central Zone:

Sub title: Effect of planting methods and forage crop combinations on fodder productivity through moisture conservation

Design: RBD **Replication(s)**: Three

Treatments:

- A. Moisture conservation techniques (main plot) 1. Ridge and furrow 2. Flat bed
- B. **Combination of grasses and legumes**
 - Cenchrus ciliaris + Desmanthus virgatus
 - . C. ciliaris + Stylosanthes seabrana
 - Dichanthium annulatum + Desmanthus virgatus
 - Dichanthium annulatum + S. seabrana

Locations (4): Rahuri, Jabalpur, Anand, Urulikanchan

4. North East Zone:

Sub title: Effect of moisture conservation practices on production of perennial grasses Design: **Replication(s)**: Three RBD

Treatments:

A. Perennial grasses

1. *Brachiaria ruziziensis* 2. Guinea grass (Hamil)/Hybrid Napier 3. Setaria grass (Nandi variety) В. Moisture conservation

1. Control (Without mulch) 2. Soil mulch

3. Inter cropping with legume (Cowpea/Rice bean - Berseem/Rice bean-Cowpea)

Locations (6): Jorhat, Faizabad, Ranchi, Bhubaneswar and Kalyani

5. South Zone:

(a) Sub title: Intensive forage production through silvipasture system under rainfed ecosystem Design: RBD **Replication(s):** Three Treatments :8 T_1 – Subabool + *Cenchrus ciliaris* T_2 –Subabool + Stylosanthes scabra T_3 –Subabool + Desmanthus virgatus **T**₄ –Subabool + *C*. *ciliaris* + *Stylosanthes* (3:1) T_5 – Subabool + C. ciliaris + Desmanthus (3:1), T_6 - Subabool + Sorghum + Horse gram (2:1) T_7 – Subabool + Pearl millet + horse gram (2:1), T_8 - Subabool (*Leucaena diversifolia*) (Sole) **Note:** Spacing of Subabul -3 m x 2 mLocation (3): Hyderabad, Coimbatore and Mandya

(b) Sub title: Cassava based sustainable alley farming system for rain fed areas of the humid tropics

Design:	RBI	Replication:	3
Treatments:	12	Cassava variety:	Vellayani Hraswa
A. Grasses:		1. BN Hybrid (Sugna variety)	2. Brachiaria brizantha 3. No grass
B. Legumes:		1. Fodder cowpea (EC 4216)	2. No fodder legume
C. Biofertilize	er:	1.VAM (Glomus fasciculatun	<i>i</i>) 2. No biofertilizer
Location: Vel	llayar	ni	

AST-2 (AST-2): EFFECT OF TILLAGE AND NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT ON PRODUCTIVITY OF RICE-OAT CROPPING SYSTEM

Objective:

• To study the effect of tillage and nutrient management in oats on the productivity of the system

Duration	:	Three year		Design	:	Split plot
Replication	:	3		Plot size	:	4m x 3m
Year of start	:	Kharif 2010 (1	Raipur and	d Jabalpur - K	(harif 2011)	
Treatment: 12			•			
Main plot – Tillage pr	actices ((3)				
S_1 - Zero tillage	;	S_2 . Mi	inimal till	age	S ₃ . Conventio	onal tillage
Sub Plot - nutrient ma	anageme	ent (4)		0		C
$M_1 - 75$ % Rec	ommend	led Dose of NP	K (RD)	$M_2 - 75 \% R$	D + Biofertilizer	s (Azotobactor + PSB)
M ₃ -100 % RI)			$M_4 - 100 \ \%$	RD + Biofertilize	rs ($Azotobactor + PSB$)
Observations:						
 Initial and final 	l status o	f soil fertility a	nd microb	ial population	n	
• Yield of grain a	and strav	v for rice	Yield o	f green and d	ry matter of oat	
 Weed studies 			CP% and	nd CP yield of	f oat and Econom	ics.
Note: Tillage and nut	rient ma	anagement will	l be done	in oat crop a	nd residual effe	ct of the
treatments will be stu	died on	<i>Kharif</i> rice. Da	ta will be	reported in	Rabi.	
Locations (2). Dainum	and Iak	alnun				

Locations (2): Raipur and Jabalpur

AST - 3 (AST-4): Studies on the effect of irrigation levels on green forage yield and quality of different forage crops during lean period Objectives:

To study the performance of forage crops under varied moisture regimes

 To identify suitable and most 	st remunerative crop for	existing	situation / under l	imited irrigations
Year of start: Rabi -2011-1	ion: Three	e years		
Design : Split plot	Replic	ation: Th	ree	
Treatments: 12	Plot si	ze : 4.0m :	x 3.6m	
Treatment details:				
Main plot (Irrigation levels-3)				
I ₁ - IW/CPE—0.6	I ₂ - IW/CPE—	-0.8	I ₃ - IW/C	PE—1.0
Sub plot (Crops – 4)				
C1-Fodder maize	C2-Fodder sorghum	C3-Fod	der pearl millet	C4- Baby corn
Observation to be recorded:				
 Plant height (cm) 		•	WUE (kg/ha/cm	ı)
 L: S ratio 		•	Gross and net r	eturns (Rs./ha)
 Green and DFY (q/ha 	a)	•	Benefit-cost rati	0
• CP content (%)		•	crude protein yi	eld (q/ha)
Data reporting: Rabi				
Locations: Mandya, Hydera	bad and Dharwad			

AST-4 (AST-5): Effect of stubble management and INM on forage productivity in Rice-Oat cropping system

Objectives:

- To study the effect of different cutting height of rice stubble on crop establishment and forage productivity of oat
- To evaluate the relative performance of different stubble management and INM treatment on Productivity of Rice -Oat cropping system.

Treatments: 12

Main Plot- Rice Stubble management

S1- Cutting of rice stubble at ground level

S3- Normal cultivation

Sub Plot- INM treatment

M1-100% NPK (Inorganic fertilizer)

M2-50% N through FYM+50% NPK through inorganic fertilizer

M3-25% N through FYM+Green manure+50% NPK through inorganic fertilizer+Biofertilizer M4 -50% N through FYM +GM+ PSB+ Biofertilizers

Design: Split Plot Design **Replication**: 3 **Plot size**: 4mx3m Year of Start: Kharif 2012

- INM treatment will be given to Rice crops •
- 50% RDF will be given to oat crop
- In stubble management practices except normal cultivation system oat will be sown behind the plough

Observation:

- Initial and final fertility status of soil
- Yield of component crop.
- Equivalent yield

Locations: Jorhat and Bhubaneswar

- Economics
- Soil fertility before and after harvesting of crop cycle.

EGY (of wheat, barley and oat)

season

Quality analysis of grain by biochemists

Soil fertility status before and after crop

S2- Cutting of rice stubble at 30cm height

(Data reporting: Rabi)

AST-5 (AST-6): Performance of dual purpose forage crops under different cutting management system

Objectives: To study effect of cutting management on forage and seed production potential of forage crops **Technical details:** Treatment (12) (a) Main plot (Crops-3) Oats Barley Wheat

(b) Sub plots (Cutting management	-4)		
(For <u>Hill Zone</u>)			
No cutting	Cutting	g of fod	lder at 70 days after sowing
Cutting of fodder at 80 days after sowi	ng Cutting	g of fod	lder at 90 days after sowing
(For NWZ, NEZ and Central Zone)			
No cutting	Cutting	g of fod	lder at 50 days after sowing
Cutting of fodder at 60 days after sowi	ng Cutting	g of fod	lder at 70 days after sowing
(Second cut will be taken for seed)			
Design: Split plot design	Replications: 3	3	Plot Size: 4 m x 3 m
Duration : Three years	Year of start: 1	Rabi -2	2012-13
Observations to be recorded			
• Tiller No. / m row length		٠	Gross and net returns (Rs. ha ⁻¹)
• Plant height (cm)		•	Benefit: Cost ratio.

- Plant height (cm)
- Leaf: Stem ratio
- Green and dry fodder yields (gha⁻¹)
- Grain/seed and straw yields (qha⁻¹)
- CP content (%) and CPY (q/ha)

Locations (13): HZ-Palampur, Srinagar, Almora; NWZ- Ludhiana, Hisar, Bikaner,; NEZ- Jorhat and Bhubaneswar; CZ- Jabalpur, Raipur, Rahuri, Anand, Urulikanchan (Data reporting: Rabi)

(NB: The recommended varieties of the crops for a particular location for the purpose will be used and crops will be grown with recommended package of practices). Seed availability: Testing centers will make their own arrangement of seed

AST- 6 (AST-7): EFFECT OF WEED MANAGEMENT ON FORAGE AND SEED **YIELD OF BERSEEM** (*Trifolium alexandrinum* L.)

Objectives

- To assess the effect of weed management treatments on forage and seed yield of berseem
- . To study the efficacy of herbicides in controlling weed in berseem

Technical details:

Treatment details (10)

 T_1 – Weedy check (Control)

 T_2 – Pendimethalin @ 0.3 kg a.i.ha⁻¹

 T_3 – Pendimethalin @ 0.4 kg a.i.ha⁻¹

 T_4 – Pendimethalin @ 0.5 kg a.i.ha⁻¹

 T_5 – Oxyflourfen @ 0.100 kg a.i.ha⁻¹

 T_6 – Imazethapyr @ 0.100 kg a.i. ha⁻¹ (Immediate after harvest of I st and IInd cut)

T₇- Oxyflourfen @ 0.100 kg a.i.ha⁻¹+ Imazethapyr @ 0.100 kg a.i.ha⁻¹ (Immediate after harvest of Ist cut)

 T_8 – Pendimethalin @ 0.300 kg a.i.ha⁻¹ + Imazethapyr @ 0.100 kg a.i.ha⁻¹ (Immediate after Ist cut)

T₉ – Pendimethalin @ 0.400 kg a.i.ha⁻¹ + Imazethapyr @ 0.100 kg a.i.ha⁻¹ (Immediate after Ist cut)

 T_{10} – Pendimethalin @ 0.500 kg a.i.ha⁻¹ + Imazethapyr @ 0.100 kg a.i.ha⁻¹ (Immediate after Ist cut)

Design: RBD	Replications: Three	Plot size: Gross: 4x3 m ²		
Net plot: $3.40 \times 2.40 \text{ m}^2$	Seed rate: 30 kg/ha	Year of start: Rabi 2012-13		
Duration: 3 years	Crop & Variety: Bers	eem (Wardan)		
Observations to be recorded:				
A) Weed studies :				
Species wise weed co	unt /m ²	Weed dry matter /m ²		
Weed control efficien	cy (%)	Weed Index		
B) Crop studies				
Plant population/ m re	ow length	Plant height (cm) at harvest.		
Leaf: Stem ratio		Green and dry fodder yields (qha ⁻¹)		
Seed and straw yield	(qha ⁻¹)	CP content (%) and CP yield (qha ⁻¹)		
C) Economics:				
Gross and Net monetary	v returns (Rs. ha ⁻¹)	Benefit: Cost ratio.		
D) Soil studies:				
• Soil fertility status (O	C, NPK and microbial	population) before and after crop season		
Locations (7): CZ: Rahuri, Jaba Pantnagar	alpur, Raipur Urulikanc	han; NEZ: Ranchi; NWZ: Ludhiana,		
(NB: Crop will be left for seed	production after two-	three forage cut)		
AST-7 (18): EFFECT OF I AND QUALITY OF OAT Objectives: To assess the affect	NTEGRATED NUT	RIENT MANAGEMENT ON YIELD		
Design: PRD	Di finiti oli yletu allu qu Di Sizo: 4 my 3 m	lanty of oat		
Spacing: 25cm (D. D.)	FIUL SIZE. 4 IIIX3 III Variatur IIIA 222/251			
Treatmonts	Spacing. 25011 (K-K) Variety: JHO 622/651			
T1- RDF	T2- N @ 60kg/ha + 5t FYM/ha			

T3- N @ 60kg/ha + 7.5t FYM/ha	T4- N @ 60kg/ha + 10t FYM/ha
T5- N @ 100kg/ha + 5t FYM/ha	T6- N @ 100kg/ha + 7.5t FYM/ha
T7- N @ 100kg/ha + 10t FYM/ha	T8- N @ 120kg/ha + 5t FYM/ha
T9- N @ 120kg/ha + 7.5t FYM/ha	T10- N @ 1200kg/ha + 10t FYM/ha

Observation to be recorded:

- Soil studies initial, after each season, final •
- Plant height (cm) •
 - L: S ratio
- Plant population/m row length

CP% & CPY (q/ha)

GFY, DMY (q/ha)

Economics

- Location (2): Imphal & Kalyani
- (Data will be reported in Rabi)

AST-8 (AST-6 -NT): STUDY ON DIFFERENT MODELS FOR YEAR ROUND GREEN FODDER PRODUCTION UNDER IRRIGATED CONDITION

Objectives

- 1. To study the different combinations of perennial and seasonal fodder crops for productivity and identify suitable crop combination
- 2. To study economics of different models
- 3. To study effect of different models on soil chemical properties

Treatments: Crop combinations-models

- T1 Maize+cowpea oat+berseem bajra+cowpea
- T2 Sorghum+cowpea maize+berseem bajra+cowpea
- T3 Hybrid napier+cowpea hybrid napier+berseem hybrid napier+cowpea
- T4 Hybrid napier + lucerne
- T5 Hybrid napier + *Desmanthus*
- **Design**: RBD **Replications**: 4 **Plot size:**6 x 5 m

Duration: 3 years (Starting from Kharif 2013)

Observations to be recorded:

Growth: Plant height, Leaf stem ratio, Plant population per m row length

Yield and quality: Green fodder yield, Dry matter yield, Crude protein yield, CP (%), CF (%) **Economics:** Net monetary returns, benefit cost ratio

Soil studies: Initial soil status and after completion of sequence for pH, EC, OC, N, P & K

Note: Recommended package of practices will be followed for each crop.
The ratio of cereal to legume will be 2:1 for seasonal crops. In hybrid napier + lucerne and hybrid napier + *Desmanthus*: Two rows of hybrid napier spaced at 4.8 meter (60 cm from boarder) and in between two lines of hybrid napier 12 lines of legumes at 30 cm spacing.
Locations: (4): Urulikanchan, Anand, Rahuri, and Bikaner (Data reporting: Rabi)

B- ONGOING LOCATION SPECIFIC TRIALS

AST -9 (AST-8): OPTIMIZATION OF NITROGEN FOR MAIZE IN DIFFERENT FORAGE BASED CROPPING SYSTEMS

Year of start: Rabi 2011-12	Duration : Three years	Design: Split plot
Replications: Three	Plot size: 5m x 4m	Treatments : 4x4=16
(a) Cropping System (4)		
1. Oat – Maize – Cowpea	2.Oat – Maize – R	ice bean
3. Barley – Maize – Cowpea	4. Barley – Maize	– Rice bean
(b) Nitrogen Levels (4)		
1. 50% of Recommended dose	of N 2.75% of recomme	ended dose of N
3.100% of Recommended dose	e of N 4.125% of recomm	nended dose of N
Note: N level treatments will b recommended NPK doses and	be applied to maize. Other cro other packages.	ops of the sequence will be grown with
Observations to be recorded		
A. Crop Growth		
Plant Population/m ²	Growth parameter	s (Plant height and leaf stem ratio)
Green fodder and dry matter	Forage equivalent	and crude protein yield (q/ha)

Green fodder and dry matter	Forage equivalent and cr	ude protein yield (q/ha)
B. Economics (Rs./ha/year)		

Gross monetary returns Benefit: Cost ratio

Net monetary returns **C. Nutrient Studies**

Cost of cultivation

Nitrogen uptake by each crop and entire systemNitrogen use efficiencySoil fertility status before and after completion of sequenceLocation: Shillong(Data reporting: Kharif)

AST- 10 (AST 9): EFFECT OF SOIL AMENDMENTS ON PRODUCTIVITY OF RICE- BERSEEM AND CHANGES IN SOIL PROPERTIES OF SODIC SOIL

Year of start	: Kharif 2009	Duration	: Five years	Doplication	. 2
The street on tax	$\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}$	Design	KDD	Replication	: 5
Treatments: T1 = DDE(Cont	GR = Gypsum Requirer rol	rement	$T_{6} = DDE + D_{m}$	ass mud @ 50 %	CD
T1 = RDF (Colli T2 = PDE + EV	M_{101}		T0 = RDF + FI T7 = PDF + Ga	2 s mud $@ 50 %$ C	JK = FVM 10 t/ba
T2 = RDF + FT T3 = RDF + Gvt	α 10 ma α 75 % (GR)		T = RDF + Gy T = RDF + Gy	γ psum @ 75 % Gl	R + FYM 10 t/ha
T4 = RDF + Gyr	osum @ 50 % GR		T0 = RDT + OT T9 = RDF + Pr	essmud @ 75 % ($\mathbf{FR} + \mathbf{FYM} = 10 \text{ t/ha}$
T5 = RDF + Pre	ss mud @ 75 % GR		$T_{10} = RDF + P_1$	ressmud @ 50 % (GR + FYM 10 t/ha
Note:					on i i ini io unu
 All the grown Calculation Observations Plant /s 	e soil amendment treatm with recommended fert ation of doses of soil an to be recorded: shoot population at hary	nents will be app tilizer dose. nendments will vest (per m ²), Pl	plied to rice onl be based on gyp lant height at ha	y. Hence, berse osum requiremer rvest, grain and	em crop will be nt. straw yield and
 Harves GFY, I Net mo Uptake Initial Soil fe exchanter 	at index (Rice). DMY, Forage equivaler ponetary return (Rs/ha/yr e of N, P and K (kg/ha) soil fertility status viz., ertility status after con ageable sodium percenta	nt yield, CP % an) by each crop an pH, EC, Exch. N mpletion of sec age	nd CPY (Bersee d entire system Na, OC and ava quence i.e. pH	em) ilable NPK I, EC, OC, ava	uilable NPK and
Location: Faiz	zabad	(Data r	eporting: Rabi	L)	
AST-11 (AST FALLOWS)	[11): PRODUCTIO)N POTENTI ITROGEN LI	AL OF FORA EVELS	AGE CROPS]	IN RICE

Objectives:			
 To identify sui 	table crops in rice fall	low	
• To identify opt	timum dose of nitroge	n for sustained vie	eld
Technical Details:	U	5	
Design :	Split Plot	Replication	: 4
Year of start	Rabi 2011-12	Plot size	$30 \mathrm{m}\mathrm{x}36 \mathrm{m}$
Treatments (9):	1001201112	1100 5120	
A. Main plot (Crops-	- 3)		
C1- Sorghum+ cowpea	a (3: 1) C2- Maize -	+ Cowpea (3:1)	C3- Pearl millet + Cowpea (3:1)
B. Sub plot (Nitroger	n levels – 3)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	·····
N1: 50% RDN	N2: 75% R	DN	N3: 100% RDN
• FYM 10 ton / 1	ha common in all trea	tment	
• P&K as per re	commended dose		
Observation to be rea	orded		
Diservation to be rec	orucu		Economica (Cross Deturns Not
• Plant neight		•	Economics (Gross Returns, Net
• Leaf:stem ratio)		Returns and BC Ratio)
• Green fodder y	neld	•	Crude protein yield
Dry matter yie	ld	•	Soil pH, OC % and NPK status before
• Soil pH, OC%	. and NPK status befo	ore	and after experimentation
and after exper	rimentation	•	Economics (Gross returns, NMR and
			BC ratio)
Location: Mandya	(Data rep	orting: Rabi)	

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AST-12 (AST 13): EFFECT OF SOURCES OF NITROGEN ON OAT AND RESIDUAL EFFECT ON SUCCEEDING CROPS

Objectives

- To find out the most feasible cropping sequence with respect to quality fodder production.
- To find out the best source of nitrogen and
- To work out the relative economics of the cropping sequences.

Technical details:

Design	: Split Plot Design	Replication	: Three (3)
Year of start	: Rabi-2011-12	Duration	: Three years
Treatment det	tails (10)		
Main Plot (Cr	opping sequences-2)		
C1= Oat-Maize	e-Turnip	C2=Oat- Maiz	e+ Cowpea-Turnip
Sub Plot (Sou	rce of Nitrogen-5)		
F1 = 100% N th	rough Urea		
F2=75% N thr	rough urea + 25% N thr	ough FYM	
F3 = 50% N thr	ough urea + 50% N thr	ough FYM	
F4= 75% N thr	rough urea + 25% N thr	ough sheep manu	ire
F5=50% N thr	ough urea + 50% N thr	ough sheep manu	ire
Observations	to be recorded:	C	

- Plant height and Leaf stem ratio at 50% flowering
- Green fodder yield and Dry fodder yield (q/ha) at 50% flowering
- CP content and CP yield
- Cost of cultivation
- Gross monetary return
- Net monetary return
- Benefit-cost ratio
- N content and uptake by each crop and entire system
- Soil fertility status before and after completion of sequence

Note: N sources will be applied to Oats. Other crops of the sequence will be grown with recommended package (instead of 100 % RDF, 75 % RDF will be applied to succeeding crops) Location: SKAUST, Srinagar.

AST-13 (AST-14): PERFORMANCE OF BAJRA NAPIER HYBRID GRASS AS INFLUENCED BY MICRONUTRIENTS UNDER IRRIGATED CONDITIONS

Objectives:

• To study the effect of conjoint application of organic manure, inorganic fertilizers and micronutrients on forage yield, economics of production and soil properties.

Technical detail:

Treatments details: (9)

T₁- NPK alone

- T₂ NPK + FeSO₄ @50 kg/ha
- T₃ NPK + FeSO₄ @100 kg/ha
- T_4 NPK + ZnSO₄ @25 kg/ha
- T₅ NPK + ZnSO₄ @50 kg/ha
- $T_6 \text{-} NPK + FeSO_4 \ @50 \ kg/ha + ZnSO_4 \ @25 \ kg/ha$
- $T_7 \text{ } NPK + \ FeSO_4 \ @100 \ kg/ha + ZnSO_4 \ @25 \ kg/ha \\$
- $T_8 \text{ } NPK + \ FeSO_4 \ @ 50 \ kg/ha + ZnSO_4 \ @ \ 50 kg/ha$
- T₉- NPK + FeSO₄ @ 100kg/ha + ZnSO₄ @ 50 kg/ha

Design	:	RBD	Replications	:	Three
Year of start	:	Kharif 2012	Duration	:	3 Years

NB:- 1. N – Basal and split as per recommendation

- 2. P&K -Basal
- 3. Micronutrients- Basal and split application
- 4. FYM @ 25 t/ha as basal in the first year only.

Observations to be recorded

- Plant population at harvest (Per m²)
- Plant height at harvest •
- Leaf stem ratio at harvest •
- Green fodder and dry matter yields (q/ha) •
- CP content (%) and CP yield (q/ha)
- Gross and net return (Rs./ha •
- Benefit cost ratio
- Soil fertility status before and after completion of field trial i.e., pH, OC, EC, available NPK and Fe and Zn.

(NOTE: During kharif 2012, micronutrient analysis of soil will be done. The experiment will be conducted under Zn and Fe deficit soils)

(Data reporting: Rabi)

Location: Coimbatore

AST-14 (AST 15): EFFECT OF SOWING TIME AND ZN & THIOUREA APPLICATION ON SEED YIELD OF DUAL PURPOSE OAT

Objectives: (i) to find out the effect of sowing time on seed yield of oats.

(ii) to observe suitable Zinc fertilizer dose and thiourea application schedule for higher productivity and WUE of oat.

Technical details:

Year of start	: Rabi 2012-13	Design	: Split plot design
Replication	: 3	Plot size	: 4m X 3m
Duration	: Three seasons		

Treatment details

Main plot (sowing time) (a)

1. 1st November (timely sown)

2. 15th November 3. 30th November

Sub plot (Zn &TU application) (b)

- 1. Control (no Zn & no TU)
- 2. 25 kg ZnSO₄ / ha soil application at sowing
- 3. 12.5 kg ZnSO_4 / ha soil application at sowing followed by 0.5% ZnSO₄ sprays
- 4. 12.5 kg ZnSO_4 / ha soil application at sowing followed by $0.5\% \text{ ZnSO}_4$ + 0.05% TU sprays
- 5. 12.5 kg ZnSO_4 / ha soil application at sowing followed by 0.05% TU sprays

Observations to be recorded:

- Tillers/meter row length •
- Growth attributes viz., plant height and I:S ratio, GFY, DFY, Protein content (%),1000- seed weight, seed yield and straw yield
- Economics (net returns and benefit cost ratio)
- Zn concentration in dry matter and seed

Location: Bikaner

AST-15 (AST-19): Effect of residual effect of P applied to wheat on the succeeding summer fodders in sorghum-wheat-summer fodders cropping system Objectives:

(1) To identify suitable summer fodder crop in sorghum-wheat-summer fodder cropping systems and (2) To study the residual effect of phosphorus applied to wheat on succeeding summer fodder crops

Technical details:Year of start:Kharif 2013;Variety:PSC 1

Design: FRBD **Seed rate:** 37.5 kg/ha Replications: 3; Row spacing: 30 cm

Treatments

(A)Summer fodder crops (3): Cowpea, maize and bajra
(B) P - levels to summer fodder crops (5): 0, 25, 50, 75 and 100 % of recommended fertilizers: 100 kg N + 20 kg P₂O₅/ha

Observations to be recorded:

- Crop growth: Plant population, Plant height, L:S
- Yield (q/ha): Green fodder, Dry matter
- Quality: Crude protein content & yield
- Economics: Cost of cultivation, Gross monetary return, Net returns, Benefit : cost ratio
- N and P uptake
- Soil studies: Soil fertility status before and after completion of the sequence, i.e., pH, OC (%), EC, available NPK.

Location: Ludhiana

(Data reporting: Kharif)

C: AVT - 2 BASED AGRONOMY TRIALS

AST-16: EFFECT OF P LEVELS ON FORAGE YIELD OF PROMISING ENTRIES OF LATHYRUS (AVT-2)

Objective: To see the effect of phosphorus levels and promising entries on yield and quality of lathyrus.

Year	: Rabi 2013-14	Duration	: One season
Design	: RBD	Replications	: 3
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Plot Size: 4 x 3 m

Spacing: Row to Row: 30 cm (each plot accommodating 10 rows of 4.0 m length)

Fertilizer: 20 KgN/ha as basal Seed rate: 50.0 g per plot (Approx. 40 kg/ha)

Treatments: 15

(A) Entries (5) = 2+3 (JHLS-2011-2, JLJ-09-1, Nirmal (NC), Mahateora (NC), Prateek (NC) (B) P₂O₅-levels: $3 = (20, 40 \text{ and } 60 \text{ Kg } P_2O_5 / ha)$

Observations to be recorded

- Plant population/ m row length
- Growth parameters (Plant height and Leaf : stem ratio)
- Green fodder, dry matter and crude protein yield (q/ha)

Seed requirement <u>3.50 kg/entry from each contributor</u>

Locations (7): NEZ- Jorhat, Kalyani, Bhubneshwar, Ranchi CZ- Jhansi, Jabalpur and Raipur (Data reporting: Rabi)

AST 17: EFFECT OF NITROGEN LEVELS ON FORAGE YIELD OF PROMISING ENTRIES OF OAT (AVT- 2 SC)

Objective: To stu	dy the effect of nitrogen levels a	nd promising entries	s on yield and quality of oat
Year	: Rabi 2013-14	Design	: Split plot
Replications	: Three	Plot size	: 4 m x 3 m
Seed rate	: 100 g/plot (80 kg/ha)	Spacing	: R x R-25 cm
Treatments	: Combinations: 7 x 3=21		
Treatment details	:		
Main plot:			
(A) Entries	: 4+2+1 (Entries-4, NC (2) and ZC (1))	
Entries (4)	: NDO-711, OS-403, UPO	-06-1 and NDO-10	
National checks:	(2): Kent, OS-6		
Zonal checks (1):	Palampur-1 (HZ), OL-125 (NWZ	Z), JHO-99-2 (NEZ), J	HO-822 (CZ), JHO-2000-4
(SZ)	• • • • • • • •		• •

Sub-plot: (B) N- levels: 3 (40, 80, and 120 kg N /ha) (Split application of nitrogen) Observations to be recorded:

- Tiller number /m row length at harvest
- Growth parameters (Plant height (cm) and leaf: stem ratio)
- Green fodder, dry fodder yields (q/ha)
- Crude protein content (%) and CP yield (q/ha)

Seed requirement:Testing entry/national check : 12.00 kg,Zonal check : 4.00 kgLocations (11):HZ-Palampur, Srinagar; NWZ-Hisar, Pantnagar; NEZ-Jorhat , Ranchi, KalyaniCZ- Jhansi, Jabalpur; SZ- Mandya, Coimbatore

D: NEW RESEARCH TRIALS

(1) Coordinated trial

AST-18 (NT): PERFORMANCE OF PERENNIAL FODDER SORGHUM (Sorghum bicolor Cv. COFS 29) AS INFLUENCED BY PLANTING GEOMETRY AND CUTTING INTERVALS UNDER IRRIGATED CONDITIONS) Objectives:

• To study the effect of planting geometry on growth and yield

• To study the effect of cutting intervals on growth and yield

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• To s	tudy the interactive effect of plantin	ng geometry and cutting in	tervals on growth and yield
Year	: Rabi 2013-14	Design	: FRBD
Replication	s : Three	Plot size	: 4.0 m x 3.6 m
Seed rate	: 10 kg/ha	Spacing	: As per treatment
Treatments	•		

Treatments:

A. Planting geometry: 30 cm inter-row spacing, 2. 45 cm inter-row spacing, 3. 60 cm inter-row spacing

B. Cutting interval: 45 days, 2. 60 days, 3. 75 days, 4. 90 days

Observations to be recorded: All obser	vations will be recorded at each cut
Plant height,	Number of tillers/m row length,
Leaf: stem ratio	Dry matter /m row length,
Green fodder yield/ha	DFY/ha
Crude protein (%), HCN content at each harvest	Crude fibre (%),

Location (3): Dharwad, Raipur and Bikaner

(Data will be reported in Rabi)

(2) Location specific trials:

AST-19 (NT): YIELD POTENTIAL OF CEREALS WITH FORAGE LEGUMES **UNDER PURE STAND AND MIXTURES**

Objective: To evaluate fodder yield potential and quality of cereals and legumes in mono as well as in mixed cropping. : Rabi 2013-14 Year Design : RBD Replications : Three Plot size : 4.0 m x 3.0 m Duration : Three years Treatments:-T1 - Sole Oat T2 - Sole Barley T3 - Sole ryegrass T4 – Sole Vetch (*Vicia sativa*) T5 – Sole Field pea T6 - Oat + Vetch (1:1)T7 - Oat + Field pea (1:1)T8 - Barley + Vetch (1:1)T9 - Barley + Field pea (1:1)T10 – Ryegrass + Vetch (1:1) T11- Ryegrass + Field pea (1:1)

Observation to be recorded:-

Crop Growth: Plant population at harvest/m², Plant height at harvest, Leaf stem ratio Yield (q/ha): Fresh weight at harvest, Dry weight at harvest, Forage equivalent yield, Land equivalent ratio

Quality Parameters: Crude protein content (%), Crude protein yield (q/ha)

Nutrient studies: Nitrogen content and uptake by each crop, Soil fertility status before and after harvest.

Note: Nutrient management: N: P₂O₅ : K₂O kg/ha

Vetch (*Vicia sativa*) and field pea = 30:60:40

Oat/Barley/Wheat = 120:60:40

The fertilizers will be applied as per recommended package for sole crops however, in case of

intercropping the fertilizers will be applied as per row proportion (Data will be reported in Rabi)

Location: Srinagar

AST-20 (NT): STUDIES ON INTENSIVE FODDER CROPPING SYSTEMS FOR YIELD MAXIMIZATION

Objectives:

- To find out the appropriate cropping system for maximum fodder production
- To study the effect of cropping systems on soil fertility, nutrient use and water use efficiency

Year: Summer/Kharif 2014

Replications: Three

Design : RBD Plot size (Gross): 6.0 m x 5.0 m

Duration: Three years

Treatments:

- 1. BN Hybrid + Lucerne
- 2. Setaria + Lucerne
- 3. BN Hybrid + Cowpea (summer) / Lucerne (winter)
- 4. Setaria + Cowpea (summer)/ Lucerne (winter)
- 5. BN Hybrid + Berseem (winter)
- 6. Setaria + Berseem (winter)
- 7. BN Hybrid + Cowpea (summer)/ Berseem (winter)
- 8. Setaria + Cowpea (summer)/ Berseem (winter)

Observations to be recorded:

- 1. Growth attributes: Plant height, Leaf: stem ratio
- 2. Yield: GFY, DMY and CPY
- 3. Economics: Cost of cultivation, Net returns and BC ratio
- 4. System productivity: Equivalent yields
- 5. Other yearly observations: WUE, NUE, soil fertility after crop cycle

Location: Raipur (Data reporting in Rabi)

GENERAL SUGGESTIONS

- The technical programme <u>must not be changed without prior approval of the Project Coordinator (FC)</u>. The data are to be recorded as per technical programme and reported to the Project Coordinator (FC) accordingly well in time scheduled. A soft copy of the data (in CD) and also through E-mail must be provided to the Project Coordinator (FC) in MS WORD and MS EXCEL. In case of location specific trials, the text of the trial should also be supplied by the Centre concerned.
- Data must be analyzed factor-wise statistically (with two-way tables) having Sem±, CD at 5% and CV %. In case of interaction, two-way tables must be reported.
- Following (statistically analyzed) data with yield data must be reported for comparisons and making valid conclusions.
- > Net monetary return (Rs./ha/yr) of the complete sequence (Crop sequences trial).
- Component-wise and total green fodder and dry matter yield (q/ha), net monetary return (Rs./ha/yr) and Land Equivalent Ratio (LER) (Intercropping trial)
- Component–wise and total crude protein yield (q/ha) as well as crude protein (%)
- ▶ Initial and final fertility status of the soil, i.e., after completion of trial which should essentially include pH, EC, OC (%), available N, P & K (Crop sequences and fertility trials).
- In trials on problematic soils, initial and final fertility status of the soil, i.e., after completion of trial and uptake of NPK by the crop(s) in each season is to be provided.
- In multi-cut crop(s)/variety(s), data on growth and quality parameters (i.e., plant population/m row length, L:S ratio, No. of tillers/m row length, No. of branches/plant and crude protein content (%) are to be recorded as per schedule given below :
- In Cereals and grasses, growth observations, in general, are to be recorded for first and last harvest. However, in cutting management trials or in trials with split application of N, the observations are to be taken for each cut.
- > Data on dry matter estimation and crude protein analysis are to be recorded for each cut
- Centres/Locations are advised to send complete information on soil characteristics, variety (ies), agronomic recommendations, No. of cuts, etc., for the experiments in the prescribed format.
- > In case of net monetary return, current market price (Rs./q) must be indicated.
- Centres/Locations are advised to provide trials at a glance in one sheet mentioning trials allotted, trials conducted, data reported (character-wise-analyzed) and trials not conducted (with valid reasons) while supplying data to the Project Coordinator (FC). The format is attached herewith.
- Meteorological data of Rabi 2013-14 from 40th SMW to 21st SMW will be needed for inclusion.
- > The data of Rabi season should be send to PC Unit before 20th June.

Yield (kg/plot)

Yield Conversion Factor: Yield (q/ha) = ------ X 100

Net plot size (m²)

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Trials Allocated	Trials conducted	Trials not conducted/failed, also give reason for
(No. & Name)	No. & Name	not conducting the trial/failure (No. & name)

(C) FORAGE CROP PROTECTION COORDINATED TRIALS FOR RABI-2013-14

PPT. 1: MONITORING OF PATHOGEN AND INSECT-PEST ASSOCIATED WITH BERSEEM, LUCERNE AND OAT ECOSYSTEM

Location: Anand, Hisar, Jhansi, Hyderabad, Ludhiana, Bhubaneswar, Rahuri, Dharwad and Palampur Observation:

• Occurrence and severity of pathogens, insect pests at 15 days interval.

PPT-2. A.: FIELD SCREENING OF RABI BREEDING TRIALS FOR RESISTANCE TO DISEASES AND INSECT-PESTS

Location: Anand, Hisar, Jhansi, Bhubaneswar, Rahuri, Hyderabad, Palampur, Dharwad and Ludhiana

PPT-2.B.: EVALUATION OF BERSEEM ENTRIES FOR RESISTANCE TO ROOT AND STEM ROT DISEASE UNDER SICK PLOT

Location: Jhansi and Ludhiana

PPT-12: DISEASE MANAGEMENT IN WHITE CLOVER

Location: PalampurDesign: RBDReplication: 3Plot size: 2 x 2 m2+

Treatments:

- $T_1 =$ Seed treatment with carbendazim @ 2 g/kg seed
- T_2 = Seed treatment with *T. viride* @ 5g/kg
- $T_3 = T_{1+}$ Foliar spray of carbendazim @ 0.1 %
- T_{4} = T_{2+} Foliar spray of carbendazim @ 0.1 %
- $T_5 = T_{1+}$ Foliar spray of hexaconazole @ 0.05 %
- $T_6 = T_{2+}$ Foliar spray of hexaconazole @ 0.05 %
- $T_7 = T_{1+}$ Foliar spray of carbendazim @ 0.1 % + Foliar spray of hexaconazole @ 0.05 %
- $T_{8} = T_{2+}$ Foliar spray of carbendazim @ 0.1 % + Foliar spray of hexaconazole @ 0.05 %
- $T_{9=}$ $T_{1+}T_{2+}$ Foliar spray of carbendazim @ 0.1 % + Foliar spray of hexaconazole @ 0.05 %
- $T_{10} = Control$

Observations:

- 1. Disease severity of powdery mildew
- 2. Disease incidence of clover rot
- 3. Seed yield (q/ha)

PPT 17: TO STUDY THE PATHOGENIC VARIABILITY OF

A. Erysiphe graminis f. sp. avenae on oat

Location: Palampur

2 nd year:	(i) Standardization of differentials for variability
3 rd year:	(i) Characterization of pathogenic virulence.
4 th year:	(i) Characterization of pathogenic virulence.

B. Helminthosporium avenae on oat

Location: Ludhiana, Bhubneshwar and Jhansi

2nd year: Pathogenicity, re-isolation and characterization of *Helminthosporium* cultures
 3rd year: Collection and maintenance of germplasm
 4th year: Evaluation of germplasm against different isolates of *Helminthosporium* and resistant/tolerant entries will be identified and used in breeding programme.

* The leaf blight samples will be supplied by centres having leaf blight problem in oats

PPT 18: EVALUATIONS OF ENTAMOPATHOGENIC FUNGI ON INSECT PESTS OF LUCERNE

Design: RBD Replication: 3 Plot size: $3 \times 4 \text{ m}^{2+}$

Location: Rahuri, Hyderabad, Jhansi and Dharwad Treatments

- T1 -Foliar application of *V. lecani* @ 4x10⁶ cfu/ml (2g/l)
- T2 -Foliar application of *B. bassianna* @ 4x10⁶ cfu/ml (2g/l)
- T3 -Foliar application of *M. anisopliae* 4x10⁶ cfu/ml (2g/l)
- T4 -Foliar application of *N. releyi* 4x10⁶ cfu/ml (2g/l)
- T5 T1 + T2
- T6 -T1 + T3
- T7 -T1 + T4
- T8 -T2 + T3
- T9 -T2 + T4
- T10 -T3 + T4
- T11 -Untreated control

Observations:

1. Pre count and post treatment count of insect pests, natural enemies and pollinators at 7 DAS

- 2. GFY and DMY (q/ha)
- 3. Seed yield (q/ha)

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