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Project Monitoring and Evaluation Committee visited ICAR-CICR, RS, Sirsa

The Project Monitoring and Evaluation committee (PMC) meeting was held on 23rd September, 2017 at ICAR-CICR, Regional Station, Sirsa, Haryana under the Chairmanship of Dr. V. N. Waghmare, Director (Acting) of ICAR-CICR, Nagpur. Dr. M. V. Venugopalan, Dr. Nandini Gokte Narkhedkar, Dr. Punit Mohan and Dr. Vinita Gotmare members of the PMC were also present. Dr. Dilip Monga Head, ICAR-CICR-RS and all the scientific staff members Dr. S. L. Ahuja, Dr. Ramavatar Meena, Dr. Om Prakash Tuteja, Dr. S. K. Verma, Dr. Rishi Kumar, Dr. Satish Kumar Sain and Dr. Amarpreet Singh presented their Institutional Research project activities. Each project activity was explained and discussed by their respective PI & Co-PI in detail. The field, Poly house and laboratory experiments being conducted at ICAR-CICR, Regional Station, Sirsa were visited and monitored by the PMC members. The action taken points required to be implemented for the institute projects were discussed and proceedings were prepared accordingly.



MGMG Umred Cluster Scientists Monitored Field Trials

As a part of “Mera Gaon Mera Gaurav” initiative, scientists of Umred cluster; Dr. A. Manikandan, Dr. N. Chandrashekar and Mr. T. Prabhulinga from ICAR-CICR, Nagpur visited the cotton fields of ten tribal farmers of Sarandi village, Umred on 29.09.2017; where the seed material from our institute has been distributed for sowing and its crop cultivation practices were being instructed to farmers. During this supervisory visit, they found that majority of the farmers were following the crop management practices as per the CICR instructions. Majority of them have already completed the weeding and sprayed with flonicamide to control sucking pests. The cotton fields were free from pink bollworm and other lepidopteran pests. However, noticed little incidence of *Alternaria* and mealybug infestation; but not that serious to the tune of causing quantifiable damage. Farmers were satisfied with the seed material and the scientific services rendered by CICR. They noticed that the seed material was pure as compared to the neighbouring fields. During the visit they also collected the soil samples from different locations in cotton fields for the studies of micro-flora at ICAR-CICR, Nagpur.



Meeting/ Field Day attended

- Dr Vishlesh Nagrare attended meeting on “Mobile app for pest identification and dissemination of pest management methods” at Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi on 28 Aug 2017
- Dr Vishlesh Nagrare attended “Sixth IBO training workshop” at Bangalore on 10th Sept 2017.
- Dr Vishlesh Nagrare attended Brainstorming on “Thrips: Challenges and Management Options” New Delhi on 22 Sept 2017.
- A field day on cotton organized by Sub Divisional Agriculture Officer, Dabwali from Department of Agriculture, Haryana on 28.09.2017 in village Gauriwala Distt Sirsa. Was attended Dr Rishi Kumar, Principal Scientist (Entomology) & Dr Satish K.Sain, Senior Scientist (Plant Pathology), ICAR-CICR, Regional Station, Sirsa. On the occasion Dr Rishi Kumar delivered a lecture on management of cotton pests and advisory for the next year whereas Dr. Satish K. Sain, Senior Scientist (PI Pathology) delivered a lecture on disease management especially the parawilt. 250 farmers from adjoining villages attended the Field day and interacted with the expert.



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