

## TAMIL NADU AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY

Office of the Directorate of Research,  
Tamil Nadu Agricultural University,  
Coimbatore-03.

**Date: 30.08.2019**

### PROCEEDINGS

An interactive meeting with the Dean, HODs and staff members was conducted by the Director of Research on **29.8.2019** to address some of the issues relating to the research and development activities of the Community Science College and Research Institute, Madurai.

**Dr. S. Amutha**, Dean, CSC & RI, Madurai, briefly presented the on-going research and seed production activities of the college. **Dr. K.S. Subramanian**, Director of Research highlighted the current status of TNAU rankings in ICAR and NIRF and the importance of high impact factor publications (**NAAS > 6**) and patents that will directly reflect on the ranking.

### GENERAL

- The **products** that have been developed, validated and proposed for adoption or commercialization from the college need to be presented to the University Variety and Technology Screening Committee for approval (The Dean, CSC & RI, Madurai)
- All the developed products by the Campus have to be displayed along with respective posters in a dedicated **exhibition hall** to portrait the activities and achievements (All Scientists, CSC & RI, Madurai)
- An **interactive stakeholder meet** may be organized involving the Director (ABD) to explore a possibility of commercialization of the products. Leading food products producers like Aachi masala, Shakthi masala, Annapoorna, Nestle etc may be invited for such events (All Scientists, CSC & RI, Madurai)
- A team of scientists headed by the Dean may visit **IIFPT**, Tanjore, to look at their research framework, product development and commercialization (Dean, CSC & RI, Madurai)

- Post Doctoral Fellowships / Research Scholars shall not be involved in administrative works.
- The girl students are nutrition deficient / **anaemic** to the tune of 70% and they must be nourished properly through nutri-greens / cereals
- **Multi-nutrition garden** may established by students and the farm grown fruits and vegetables may be used for the students' consumption
- Experiments involving animals / humans require **Institutional Ethics Committee Clearance** which is awarded by the university. Such files need to be maintained by the Research Co-ordinator.

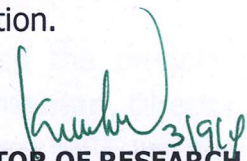
## RESEARCH

- All scientists should have at least **one research project** (URP, Core, Externally funded, TANII, NADP etc.) compulsorily. Each research project is supported by field note book, basic record and other related documents
- Scientists are encouraged to propose **externally funded projects** to enable high quality publications. The UGC insists that each scientist must publish at least one paper with NAAS rate > 6 per year.
- Studies on *Annona muricata* will be undertaken jointly by Horticulture Department and CSC & RI.
- Joint research project may be proposed with NIT, Trichy, where the lab has accredited for testing of food products using animals.

## ACTION PLANS


- Research Project Approval Committee (**RPAC**) for the <sup>CS</sup>AC & RI, Madurai, to be constituted before 16.9.2019 involving all HODs to screen the proposed university research projects for the DR's office to provide number for implementation.
- **Research Co-ordinator** in the cadre of Professor may be nominated before 16.9.2019 by the Dean to monitor the research projects (externally or internally funded) submission, numbering, completion reports, outcomes, publications, patents etc.

- The Director of Research in consultation with the Deans will organize a dedicated **Grantmanship** Workshop in Madurai for both AC & RI and CSC & RI during September - October, 2019 to assist young scientists to prepare projects for funding.
- A brainstorming session may be organized within 2 months to propose a mega project unique for Madurai Campus involving all disciplines with a budget of **Rs. 20 crores** in commemoration of Golden Jubilee Year of TNAU in 2020.
- **MSc and Ph.D students** shall be allotted to DARS, Chettinad where excellent analytical facilities are available for food science research.
- **Cost of publications** will met from the University with the approval of the Vice Chancellor in the event of the no financial support available in the campus.
- The Dean is requested to provide the **list of absentees** during the review of the Director of Research to the undersigned for further course of action.

  
3/9/19  
**DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH**

To

The Dean, CSC & RI, Madurai  
The TPO to the Vice Chancellor, TNAU, Coimbatore, for favour of kind information

  
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