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PROCEEDINGS

Proceedings of the Director of Research's visit made at Agricultural Research Station, Thirupathisaram

AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH STATION, THIRUPATHISARAM

The Director of Research has visited the ARS, Thirupathisaram by 12 Noon on 18.02.2020. Among two scientists working Dr.N.Shanmugavalli, The Professor and Head was present and the other scientist Dr.M.Jayasekar, Professor (Pl.Path.) was absent. Dr.M.Jayasekar, Professor (Pl.Path.) is instructed to report to the undersigned with field notebook, basic record and project files he maintains from the date of his joining at the ARS, Thirupathisaram. After discussion with the Professor and Head and other staff, Director of Research made a field visit of ongoing research activities and made the following remarks.

GENERAL

- It is regretted to state that the station was not properly maintained. The
 office surroundings were kept shabby. It is painful to note that the Laser
 Leveller purchased in 2011 unused for the past 9 years. The Professor and
 Head is instructed to undertake necessary steps to keep the farm neat and
 today.
- Director of Research emphasized the importance of seed production in Rice varieties TPS 3 & TPS 5 and every year the production target has to be achieved in respect of Breeder seeds and TFL seeds. While seed production, efforts to be made to produce without admixture of seeds.
- Efforts have to be made to free transfer the "Laser Leveller" available in TPS to the Agricultural Research Station, Bhavanisagar.
- For the benefit of farmers, technologies on improved varieties of Rice (TPS 3 and TPS 5) have to be demonstrated periodically through trainings.
- During students visit, latest technologies on rice have to be showcased.

 Efforts have to be made to reduce the flooding of water in seed production and research fields during rainy seam along with the help of SSF, Nagercoil.

RESEARCH

- The pathologist of the station Dr.M.Jeyasekar has to do research on weather based disease incidence (e.g. Sheath rot of Paddy) in Rice.
- Every scientist should have atleast one URP, one Externally funded project with a mandate to publish one research paper/year with a NAAS rating of 6.0 and above.

ACTION PLAN

- A proposal to be given to the University for formation of a Committee to inspect for the removal of "Subabul" a menace for rice cultivation. One member from Forestry may be included in the committee to assess the value of tree as fire wood.
- A proposal may be given to strengthen the existing godown / construction of an additional godown for getting licence for the processing unit. Further proposal may also be given for construction of a new threshing floor.
- Estimate should be prepared and submitted for getting approval for lining the irrigation channel in the farm.
- Explore the possibilities of rectification of existing damaged overhead tank.

 Expedite already approved civil works viz., Labour shed, Tractor shed, Vehicle shed and fence etc.,

DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH

To

The Professor and Head, ARS, Thirupathisaram. The TPO to Vice Chancellor, TNAU, Coimbatore