

## **Proceedings of the Monthly Scientist Meeting held on 28.10.2005**

The monthly scientist meeting was commenced at 11.00 at ATIC lecture hall with the chairmanship of Dr. M. Anandaraj, Head, Crop Protection Division. The following scientists were present.

1. Dr. M. Anandaraj
2. Dr. K. N. Kurup
3. Dr. B. Chempakam
4. Mr. B. Krishnamoorthy
5. Dr. S. Devasahayam
6. Dr. John Zachariah
7. Dr. R. Suseela Bhai
8. Dr. V. Srinivasan
9. Dr. K. Kandiannan
10. Dr. R. Ramakrishnan Nair
11. Dr. M. S. Madan
12. Dr. R. Dinesh
13. Dr. J. Rema
14. Dr. B. Sasikumar
15. Dr. A. Ishwara Bhat
16. Dr. Santhosh. J. Eapen
17. Mr. P. A. Mathew
18. Dr. N. K. Leela
19. Dr. K. S. Krishnamoorthy
20. Dr. A. Kumar
21. Dr. T. E. Sheeja
22. Mrs. E. Jayashree
23. Dr. K. V. Saji

The action taken report on previous meeting was reviewed. All the scientists took active part in the discussion and suggestions.

1. Dr. S. Devasahayam submitted the report after reviewing the purchase of equipments from various externally funded projects. Out of the 12 equipments proposed under the three projects in Crop Improvement and Biotechnology Division, six have been purchased; LC opened for two and placed order for others. Crop Production and Post Harvest Technology has got 9 projects with 16 equipments all of which have been purchased except one. Crop Protection has got 5 projects. Most of the instruments have been purchased and orders have been placed for the rest. Regarding the fund release in the Network project on Organic farming, it is suggested to send reminders for the release of fund in which the important of procuring equipments connected with the projects may be highlighted. So also formalities have already been furnished for procuring the instruments under the network project on "Climate change effects on

growth and productivity of Plantation crops with special reference to Coconut and Black pepper.....”.

2. As suggested in the Scientist meeting held on 29th September 2005, the SRF's individually approached the University for getting the registration at the earliest. The house also suggested to take initiatives to get the institute recognized by CUSAT and Kannur University.
3. Dr. C. K. Thankamani is permitted to use the double distillation unit available in Agronomy and Soil Science section for the purpose of distilled water collection as the centralized unit is under repair.
4. As there are lot of complaints regarding the irregular supply of chemicals and glass wares by certain firms like Hi-Media, Tarson etc through rate contract system, it is suggested that the purchase committee should take up the matter to see that the chemical should reach the indenter within the stipulated time. A letter may be addressed to the firms to effect the supply within the stipulated time. and also warn the concerned firms for their improper supply. This matter will be reviewed in the next Scientist meeting.

The meeting came to an end by 12.45 noon.

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