Report on

Training Program

Creation of Awareness among Students, Faculty & Farmers on
Provision of Protection of Plant Varieties in India

27 May, 2015

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Auditorium, Academic Block 1, Amity University Rajasthan, Jaipur

Sponsored by

Protection of Plant Varieties & Farmer’s Rights Authority
Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India
Report on training program:
Organized by Amity University Uttar Pradesh, Noida
In collaboration with Amity University Rajasthan, Jaipur
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1. **Name of the organization**
   Amity Institute of Microbial Technology
   Amity University Uttar Pradesh
   Sector 125, Noida- 201303

2. **Amount received from PPV & FRA**
   Rs. 80,000/- (Rs. Eighty Thousand Only)

3. **Actual Expenditure**
   Rs. 80,002/- (Rs. Eighty Thousand two Only)

4. **Balance amount, if any**
   Nil

5. **Date of training**
   Wednesday, 27th May, 2015

6. **Name of the Chief Guest and other dignitaries**
   **Chief Guest: Dr. RR Hanchinal**, Chairperson, PPV&FR Authority, Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Agriculture and Co-operation, GOI, New Delhi
   **Prof. S B Dandin**, Biodiversity International, Bengaluru
   **Prof. Shishir K Dube**, Vice Chancellor, Amity University Rajasthan, Jaipur
   **Prof. S L Kothari**, Pro. Vice Chancellor & Director AIB, Amity University Rajasthan
Prof. A N Pathak, Dean Research (Act.), Amity University Rajasthan
Brig. (Retd) S K Sareen, Registrar, Amity University Rajasthan, Jaipur
Mr. Satvir Singh, Farmer Coordinator, Village Chirsi, District Faridabad, Haryana
Mr. Lalit Kumar, Farmer Coordinator, Sarai Kale Khan, New Delhi
Mr. Bharat Bhushan Tyagi, Farmer Coordinator, Village Beehta, Bulandshahar

7. Number of Participants
117 (including faculty, scientists and farmers)

8. Lectures delivered

The training program was inaugurated by traditional Saraswati Vandana recitation and Lighting of Lamp by the dignitaries. Prof. Shishir K Dube, Vice Chancellor, Amity University Rajasthan, Jaipur while welcoming the guests and participants highlighted the importance of this training program in view of the Intellectual Property Rights. Prof. S L Kothari, Pro. Vice Chancellor & Director AIB, Amity University Rajasthan expressed his views on protection of plant varieties in India.

Technical Session I:
IP Protection System in India: An Overview
Dr Abha Agnihotri, Head Center for Agricultural Biotechnology & Professor, Amity Institute of Microbial Technology, Amity University Uttar Pradesh, Noida

Technical Session II:
IP issues in Agriculture of Rajasthan
Dr. EV D Sastry, Professor, Rajasthan Agricultural Research Institute, Durgapura, Jaipur
Arid Agriculture & Soil Fertility
Dr GK Aseri, Dy. Pro Vice Chancellor & Director, Institute of Microbial Technology, Amity University Rajasthan, Jaipur
IP issues in Biotechnology in relation to Crop protection
Mr. Pankaj Kumar, Patent Attorney, IIS University, Jaipur

Technical Session III:

Genesis of the workshop

Dr Abha Agnihotri, Head Center for Agricultural Biotechnology & Professor, Amity Institute of Microbial Technology, Amity University Uttar Pradesh, Noida

Keynote Address:

Protection of Plant Varieties and Rights of the farmers

Dr. RR Hanchinal, Chairperson, PPV&FR Authority, Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Agriculture and Co-operation, GOI, New Delhi

Plenary Lecture:

Significance of Traditional crop varieties in context to climate change

Prof. S B Dandin, Biodiversity International, Bengaluru

Rootonic- A case Study

Dr Amit C Kharkwal, Dy. Director & Head, Amity Institute of Microbial Technology, Amity University Uttar Pradesh, Noida

9. Resource persons

Dr. RR Hanchinal, Chairperson, PPV&FR Authority, Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Agriculture and Co-operation, GOI, New Delhi

Prof. S B Dandin, Biodiversity International, Bengaluru

Dr. EV D Sastry, Professor, Rajasthan Agricultural Research Institute, Durgapura, Jaipur

Mr. Pankaj Kumar, Patent Attorney, IIS University, Jaipur

Dr Gk Aseri, Dy. Pro Vice Chancellor & Director, AIMT, AUR

Dr Amit C Kharkwal, Dy. Director & Head, AIMT, AUUP

Dr. Abha Agnihotri, Head, CAB & Professor, AIMT, AUUP

10. Impact of the training

An excellent interactive session followed the technical presentations with queries raised by farmers and faculty. It was evident that the participants were enlightened by the lectures and
they became aware of importance of protecting the intellectual property being generated, especially of the plant varieties available/ being developed. The participants were provided with the literature made available by PPV&FRA about the protection of plant varieties and frequently asked questions, along with additional email ids and phone numbers. Farmers, faculty and scientists expressed their gratitude for a very fruitful day and expressed their keen interest to participate in more of such training programs, as well as to register plant varieties.

11. **Date of submission of utilization certificate**
   
   February 23, 2015

**Signature of the organizers**

**Convener:**
Dr Abha Agnihotri
Head, CAB & Professor,
AIMT, Amity University Uttar Pradesh, Noida

**Organizing Secretary:**
Dr Amit C Kharkwal
Dy. Director & Head, AIMT,
Amity University Uttar Pradesh, Noida
Lighting of Lamp by Chief Guest Dr Ravi Prakash, Registrar, PPV&FRA

Dr Ravi Prakash, Dr Abha Agnihotri, Dr Sunil Saran on Dias

Dr Ravi Prakash- giving Inaugural address
Technical Session in progress: Dr Abha Agnihotri, Dr Ajit Varma, Dr Ravi Prakash, Dr Sunil Saran

Felicitation of Dr Ravi Prakash