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Agriculture in Madhya Pradesh, Contribution of JNKVV and about MP-JICA Project in India

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Program

11:00-11:05 Opening remarks by Jumpei <u>Kubota</u>, Deputy Director of General and Professor, RIHN 11:05-11:45 Presentation by Sunil B.R. <u>Nahatkar</u>, Principal Scientist, Jawaharlal Nehru Agriculture University, Jabalpur, MP, India

11:45-12:00 Q&A, Comments, Discussion

12:00-13:00 Networking Lunch at Meeting Room. (*See the next page)

Closing remarks by Toshiki Osada, Emeritus Professor, Leader of Indus Project, RIHN

MC by Tadayoshi Masuda, Belmont Forum SMARTS2 Project Japan PI, RIHN

http://www.jica.go.jp/project/india/001/index.html

http://www.jica.go.jp/india/english/office/topics/130701.html

¹ Sustainable Management of Agro-ecological Resources for Tribal Societies 2 https://www.igfagcr.org/funded-projects/sustainable-management-agro-ecological-resources-tribal-societies-2

² Japan International Cooperation Agency Project for Maximization of Soybean Production in Madhya Pradesh, India

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ABSTRACT

Agriculture is one of the most important & growing sectors in the State of Madhya Pradesh (MP), India. During the last three years, its agricultural economy has grown by 20 percent and more. Soybean and Paddy are the major crops during monsoon season and wheat and chickpea are in winter season. Madhya Pradesh has 11 of varied agro-climatic conditions and therefore most commercial crops are suitable to grow like cotton, maize, sugarcane, fruits and vegetables. The MP is designated as 'Soy State' since it is the top soybean production state and 6.7 million tons of soybean were produced in 2010-11, which was more than 50 percent of domestic harvest in India. As the role of JNKVV in MP agriculture, it is significant to i) supply quality seeds, ii) develop varieties, iii) match production technology, iv) develop human resources, and v) disseminate information through Krishi Vigyan Kendra.

The MP-JICA project for Maximization of soybean production in Madhya Pradesh started in 2011. The main purpose of the project is to establish soybean cultivation system adaptable by small and marginal farmers. Under this project the technologies for field cultivation, pest and disease control, and soil fertilization will be developed by JICA experts and India Scientists.

Speaker's BIO:

Dr. Sunil Bhaskar Rao Nahatkar is Principal Scientist of Agricultural Economics and Farm Management at Jawaharlal Nehru Agriculture University, Jabalpur, India. He is presently responsible for agriculture research management and coordinating activities of Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) funded project for Maximization of Soybean Production in Central India. He has more than twenty seven years of research experiences and has served a varieties of functions in research management leadership. He has visited and stayed in Cornell University, Ithaca, USA and EMBRAPA, Londrina, Brazil for agri-business management and counterpart learning program. He published ninety five research papers, bulletins and book chapters.

Networking Lunch

Seminar-special Soy-veggie bento (550yen) is sold by subscription basis. Please contact us to reserve one or more by March 2nd, 2015. Or bring your own lunch box/brown bag.

Tea, coffee, and refreshments are provided.

Just joining lunch is also welcome.

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