

Minutes of 47th meeting of the One Health Consortium

Venue: Virtual Mode

Topic: Collaborator-wise

Date and time: 30th July 2022, 12.00 pm onwards

The meeting was attended by collaborators of NIAB, Hyderabad; NRC Meat, Hyderabad; MAFSU, Nagpur; NIVEDI, Bengaluru; GADVASU, Ludhiana; ICAR-NEH, Shillong and IVRI, Izatnagar.

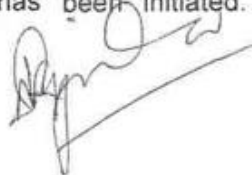
Dr Rawat welcomed collaborators and briefed about the purpose of meeting. He mentioned about close monitoring of expenditure as project is completing its first year on 5th August, 22 and balance of first year to be returned to the government account as per new financial guidelines. He mentioned about possibilities of delay in availability of funds for 2nd year as DBT also takes its own time in releasing funds and therefore need to utilize 1st year budget was emphasized. It was mentioned that DBT is adopting a new financial process which may further delay 2nd year release. He emphasized on need for follow up actions on the recommendations of Project Monitoring Committee meeting held in June 2022 and also for detailed plan of work to be completed/ done by August, 2022. A brief of progress including financial progress of individual collaborator is as follows:

NRC Meat, Hyderabad: Dr Barbuddhe intimated that allocated funds of 1st year have been utilized as per allocation, equipment have been procured and funds allocated for other heads have been utilized except manpower. Sampling is being done regularly and more than 400 samples have been collected during this period from Maharashtra, Goa and Karnataka.

MAFSU, Nagpur: Prof. Kurkure briefed about 1st year expenditure. All equipment have been procured and funds allocated for recurring items have almost utilized fully and remaining balance will also be used shortly. As far as sampling of collection is concern, it was intimated that 80% and 30% samples have been collected as per sampling plan from Maharashtra and Chhattisgarh respectively. Prof. Kurkure intimated that samples from MP will be collected shortly.

NIVEDI, Bengaluru: Dr Suresh presented a brief of expenditure. He intimated that funds allocated for Recurring heads have been utilized and process of procurement of Non recurring items has been initiated. NIVEDI is working on





sampling plan for 2nd phase and also planning to develop a website. Dr Suresh was also requested for finalization of SoPs in a form of publication/ booklet.


GADVASU, Ludhiana: Prof. Bedi intimated that all approved equipments have been procured, installed and balance amount will be returned to the government. There is some balance in recurring items too which will be utilized before completion of 1st year. Sampling has been completed in Punjab and J&K (more than 1000 samples) as per sampling plan and at present working in HP and Rajasthan. He intimated that samples from Gujarat will be collect shortly. He requested a letter from Coordinating unit indicating its PAN India nature, association of Government of India and financial support and zoonotic nature. This letter will help in sampling from states.

IVRI, Izatnagar: There was a delay in initiation of project as well as change of PI and therefore balance is available in recurring items. Dr Singh intimated that efforts are being made to utilize balance funds by procuring diagnostic kits etc. Equipments have been procured and allocated funds have been utilized. Samples have been collected from UP and UK. Since IVRI has to cover 5 states including Leh, Haryana and Delhi, PI was asked to speed up the work.

ICAR-NEH, Shillong: Dr Arnab Sen informed that a balance of Rs 90 lakhs is available in NR head and efforts are being to procure approve equipment as early as possible. Allocated funds of recurring heads have been utilized. Samples are being collected as per plan and at present samples are being collected from Meghalaya, Nagaland and Mizoram. Presentation was followed by a discussion on sampling, PI was suggested to collect more samples.

NIAB, Hyderabad: A review of expenditure of both PMU and NIAB component. Was carried out. It was noted that equipment have been procured. However, there is little expenditure in recurring heads of both component. NIAB has made a strategy both for making expenditure as well as for sample collection from states allotted to NIAB..

All collaborators were requested:

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1. Speed up sampling
2. To provide a plan of work till August, 2022 in the format provided.
3. Utilize allocated funds as per allocation.
4. Initiate preparing financial documents of first year of project as per formats provided.
5. NIAB Coordination cell will issue a letter indicating Govt association and its financial support, PAN India nature and zoonotic importance of project which will help collaborators to approach state veterinary department and universities for sample collection.

Meeting was ended with a vote of thanks.



(Dr. Subeer S Majumdar)

Accepted,

(Dr. A.K. Rawat)