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Details of Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC) Meeting conducted in the year 2023

Date	Number of Participants	Salient Recommendations	Action taken
17.03.2023	30 + all the staff members of RKKV	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Suggestion for increasing (a) the numbers of analyses of soil samples, (b) livestock production, (c) planting material production etc.	(a) Numbers of soil samples and water analysis have been increased despite there is problem in Supply-Chain for reagents as well as proper in-time service of the Hardware i.e. "Mridaparikshak". (b) Livestock production is being both increased and diversifies with the establishment of "Goat Farm" of the Kendra as well as rearing of the Poultry Breeds like Kaberi, Guinea Fowl, Kadaknath, Turkey and Aseel with a Total Production of 529 in numbers of Chicks, Cocks, Advanced Growers etc. (c) In 2023, there was a significant increase in Planting Material Production which stood at the numbers of 56, 280 comprising of Vegetable Seedlings of various Vegetables and Fruits Saplings.
		<ul style="list-style-type: none">Advice on establishment of a Mushroom Production Unit with support from Directorate of Food Processing and Horticulture, Govt. of West Bengal	The Kendra has submitted Proposal for establishment of a Mushroom Production Unit with financial support from Directorate of Food Processing and Horticulture, Govt. of West Bengal; however, the said Directorate replied that the expenditure has to be borne from the Kendra Budget initially which will be re-imbursed later on. But this is not possible due to lack of adequate fund of KVK.
		<ul style="list-style-type: none">All the details of On Farm Trials (OFTs) on presentation slide were not necessary; only conclusion and recommendation should be given.	This recommendation was taken into serious consideration while preparing the Presentation Slides of this SAC Meeting.
		<ul style="list-style-type: none">Emphasis on certified seed production in KVK Instructional Farm for distribution to the farming community	KVK produced 76.87 quintals of Foundation and Certified Seeds of Rice, Mustard, Chickpea, Lentil and Finger Millet which were distributed to the farmers through FLD, CFLD and direct sale.
		<ul style="list-style-type: none">Proper documentation of RAWE Programme conducted at RKKV	RAWE Programmes of different universities have been documented in the Annual Report properly.
		<ul style="list-style-type: none">Suggestion for inclusion of one OFT related to market channel development	This Year One OFT in this regard will be taken up especially in the area of Mandis under (Electronic-National Agriculture Market) E-NAM.
		<ul style="list-style-type: none">Replacement of OFT on "Assessing performance of Male Only, Female Only and Mixed (Male + Female) SHGs with respect to annual savings" by OFT on "Impact Assessment of Technologies popularized by Rathindra KVK"	On Farm Trial (OFT) on "Assessing efficacy of Method of Transfer of Technology regarding Millet Cultivation" is being conducted and the Second Phase "Impact Assessment of Millet Cultivation as a New Technology popularized by Rathindra KVK" will be taken up.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Replacing the OFT on “Comparative performance analysis of Aseel chicks in two types of intensive cage rearing” by a new OFT based on Dairy farming 	OFT on Assel bird has been changed to “Effect of herbal galactogogues on milk production in crossbreed milch cattle” as suggested.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Technology Options of the OFT on “Assessment of different form of “Pashu Chocolate” (UMMB) in lactating dairy cattle” to be modified 	Modification of the OFT on “Assessment of different form of “Pashu Chocolate” (UMMB) in lactating dairy cattle” has been done and the re-designed OFT has been started accordingly.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organizing Financial awareness Programme 	Several training and awareness programme regarding financial awareness has been undertaken in this year
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emphasis on establishment of Scientific Integrated Farming System Model 	Several Scientific Integrated Farming System Models have been established and nurturing of those are being organized in this year also
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emphasis on distribution of biofertilizer to the farmers 	Rhizobium biofertilizer has been distributed to the farmers under CFLD on Kharif Black Gram.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focus on entrepreneurship development 	Several entrepreneurship development programme has already been started on goat rearing, mushroom production, Poultry rearing, Bee Keeping etc. and those are already reported in the Annual Report.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> More emphasis on Skill Development Training on Orchard Management 	RKVK has conducted skill development training on orchard management of Moosambi, Lime etc. during this year.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> More Numbers of Training Programmes on Goat farming 	RKVK conducted several Training Programmes on Goat farming in this year.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emphasis on Crop Diversification Programme for replacing <i>Boro</i> Rice 	Training Programmes, CFLD and FLD Programmes on Summer Sesame and Black Gram have been undertaken by RKVK during this year.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fish production programme 	Capacity building and input distribution programmes have been conducted by RKVK jointly with ICAR-CIFRI, Barrackpore during the year.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establishment of Custom Hiring Centre at KVK level 	RKVK has already established a Custom Hiring Centre with Farm Machineries like Tractor, Rotavator, Power Thresher, Mini Dal Mill, Aerator for Fishpond, Egg Incubator etc.in this year with the financial help of ICAR-IIAB, Ranchi.