

PROJECT NOTIFICATION

Reference No.: 131

Date of Issue	30 May 2023
Project Code	23-IP-24-GE-TRC-A
Title	Training Course on Knowledge Transfer to Improve Agricultural Productivity
Timing	28 August 2023–1 September 2023
Hosting Country(ies)	Bangladesh
Venue City(ies)	Dhaka
Modality	Face-to-face
Implementing Organization(s)	National Productivity Organisation, Bangladesh
Participating Country(ies)	All Member Countries
Overseas Participants	19
Local Participants	6
Closing Date	7 July 2023
Remarks	Not Applicable

Objectives	Understand the concept, management, and models of knowledge transfer systems to farmers; explain the methodologies and techniques to apply in such transfers; learn about key success factors from best practices of knowledge transfer and innovation models; and explore prospects for their adoption in APO members.
Rationale	Transferring new knowledge and technologies to farmers is a critical factor in continuously improving productivity by increasing yields and improving the quality of outputs. Strengthening knowledge transfer to farmers is aligned with the APO focus area of innovation capability in Vision 2025.
Background	The value of agricultural production in APO members has reached approximately USD1 trillion in recent years (FAO, 2021). Progress in R&D by agricultural research institutes and organizations has played an important role in supporting continuous growth in production and productivity in the sector.
	Agricultural Knowledge and Information Systems (AKIS) support the sharing of knowledge among relevant stakeholders. While technologies and methodologies have evolved, not all farmers in APO members are equipped to adopt and utilize them. There are several reasons for this, but one constraint is the lack of structured, robust knowledge transfer schemes to disseminate knowledge, know-how, and skills from research organizations to farming communities.
	This training course will cover methodologies for knowledge transfer and technology dissemination among farmers, examine key success factors from case studies, and localize successful transfer schemes to meet the conditions and needs of member economies.
Topics	Global developments in agricultural extension; Concepts of knowledge transfer, methodologies, techniques, and applications; Current status of agricultural extension services in APO members; and Successful models of knowledge transfer to farmers including applications of ICT.
Outcome	Enhanced understanding of knowledge transfer and innovation systems; insight into schemes for knowledge transfer to farmers through case studies; and improved agricultural knowledge and information transfer systems in member economies.
Qualifications	Government officials, representatives of NGOs, community leaders, academics, and consultants involved in agricultural extension and knowledge transfer services.

Please refer to the implementation procedures circulated with this document for further details.

Dr. Indra Pradana Singawinata Secretary-General