

**Objectives of Visit****FFS Toolkit & Crop Production Orientation sessions with RSPs,****Meeting Participants**

- 1) Mr. Ghulam Murtaza Arain, Agronomist / Crop Specialist, FAO, Hyderabad,
- 2) Mr. Mustafa Nangraj, Deputy Coordinator Agriculture AAP, Government of Sindh, Karachi,
- 3) Mr. Bashir Anjum, Specialist Social Sector/Manager Special Project Wing, RSPN, Islamabad,
- 4) Mr. Akbar Raza, Program Director, PINS ER3, RSPN, Karachi,
- 5) Alee Kapri, M & E Coordinator, PINS ER3, Karachi,
- 6) Nazar Joyo, Program Manager, PINS ER3, Hyderabad (Along with his team of 5 Agriculture Officers),
- 7) Ali Kallar, Program Manager, PINS ER3, Jamshoro (Along with his team of 2 Agriculture Officers),
- 8) Team of 3 Agriculture officers of SRSO, Sukkur,
- 9) Rao Ayub Khan, Senior Technical Manager Agriculture, Action Against Hunger, Karachi.

**Meeting Summary & Key Observations (Achievements and Challenges) in Bullet Points**

An orientation meeting on “Improved Crop Production Technology”- Wheat was organised on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2018 (Saturday) at Regional office, Hyderabad, in which technical staff of three RSPs (Agriculture Officers) along with their team leaders were participated, the purpose of this meeting was to share “Improved Crop Production Technology”- Wheat with technical field staff of PINS ER3, This technology was developed with the collaborations of FAO-UN, NARC, Government of Sindh and Action Against Hunger. RSPs staff were advised to strictly follow its recommendations during upcoming Wheat capacity building training events with community members.

Mr. Bashir Anjum RSPN welcome to all participants in orientation meeting, He briefed that this is outcome of the consultation meeting held in Islamabad with PINS ER3 stakeholders. He discussed in details with PINS ER3 teams about till to date the targets and achievements of PINS ER3.

Mr. Alee Kapri shared the targets of Wheat related activities with all three teams, He also said that under PINS program we have to increase capacity /support small farmers having 1-5 acres of agriculture land in our targeted 10 districts, as “Food crops” for Sindh include wheat and rice. As the next sowing season is of wheat, so during this meeting we will only focus on Wheat crop,

Mr. Rao Ayub Khan shared the production technology covering the pre & post-harvest management of Wheat crop with participants, He shared that these trainings will be comprised on three stages instead of one:

- Stage 1: First meeting should be held in October, a month before land preparation. The agricultural workers will discuss information regarding land preparation, seed sowing, fertilizer and irrigations. This covers up to first 45 days of the crop’s life.
- Stage 2: Hold second meeting in December / January. This will deal with the overall crop management, fertilizer application and water.
- Stage 3: Meeting will be held in February or early March. This would include the last water step to post harvest instructions.

This documents is made as per approved and recommended messages in bullets on Wheat improved production technology and as per its strategy divided into three parts for its sharing with small farmers at three different stages.

Mr. Nangraj (GoS) and Mr. Murtaza (FAO) shared their experiences and inputs with training participants related to Wheat Technology points for better understanding of field staff.

Mr. Alee Kapri (RSPN) share his team (M & E) key observations and major findings of 5-days AE KG trainings with RSPs teams, He also stress to improve these M & E recommendations in up-coming events, As this is beginning and we can improve the further trainings as per shared points,

**Key Actions or Recommendation Made During Visit (What, to whom and by when to be addressed)**

- 1) Team leaders will share the final list of Wheat related beneficiaries with RSPN by 8<sup>th</sup> Oct. 2018.
- 2) RSPN will share the Sindhi translation version with RSPs team leaders in first week of Oct. 2018.
- 3) Technical Agriculture staff will start capacity building trainings on Wheat in October as per shared strategy,