



F No. SEED/Millets/EOI-SP

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## **Expression of Interest ( Eoi) for Seed Production**

**Call for The Expression of Interest (Eoi) From Seed Production Organizers for Enrolment With ICAR-IIMR, Hyderabad for Seed production of millets for 2023 and summer 2024.**

ICAR-IIMR, a constituent organization under the Indian Council of Agricultural Research, a society under DARE, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Government of India, invites Expression of Interest (EOI) from the reputed Seed Producing Organizer (Private seed Producers/ Govt. Agencies/ Co-op. Societies, etc) for Production and Supply of Breeder/foundation/ certified/truthful labeled seeds of millet crops hybrids, parental lines and varieties.

### **How to Apply:**

A brief statement about the Seed production Organizer profile, experience in seed production of millet crops, past experience in seed production and their supply, facilities available for processing, grading, packing etc. needs to be furnished.

The production programme for Rabi and summer and for the subsequent period will be allotted to the qualified agencies. The seed producer shall have to sign an agreement with ICAR-IIMR for supply of committed quality within the stipulated period. The cumulative requirement would be for a quantum of approximate 750-1000 quintals in a year which may vary according to actual requirement.

Presently the above details are required for short listing and empanelment of bona-fide registered producers. Interested and experienced firms in this domain may submit their technical proposal with details of seed production and supply requirements and about themselves so as to reach the **Nodal Officer (Seed), ICAR-IIMR, Hyderabad, so as to reach latest by 26.2.2024 up to 4.15pm.**

**Requirements:** The Organizer should have the fields located in the states of Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Solapur area of Maharashtra to facilitate quick and regular monitoring. The organizer (except government organization/ university / KVK /cooperatives/individual farmer) should have at least three years' experience in seed production of millets or appropriate equivalent crop.

### **Terms and Conditions:**

- The quantity and variety of certified/truthful/other class of seed to be produced would be finalized by IIMR on mutually acceptable terms for meeting requirement of each season.
- The organizer would complete all formalities for undertaking certified seed production programme with the seed agencies and deposit mandatory documents and fees for the same.

- The total cost of certified seed production would be borne by the organizer. The organizer will be required to monitor and render necessary guidance for implementation of full package of practices of the seed crop for better production and shall render all documents required by the Certification agency for verification.
- After the crop has been harvested, the processing, grading and packing of the seed so produced will be carried out by the organizer.
- IIMR will procure the certified/other classes of seeds so produced from the organizer at the approved procurement price finalized by IIMR in accordance with pricing by ICAR and state seed corporations as incorporated in the agreement signed by both IIMR and Seed Production Organizer.
- After the processing (and certification process, if applicable) is over, the organizer would inform IIMR about the exact quantity of certified seed ready for supply in order to make arrangement for lifting/distribution by IIMR.
- The organizer would be fully responsible for any complaint regarding quality of the certified seed so produced. The organizer shall indemnify IIMR from all costs, risks and responsibilities that may arise on account of action or inaction on part of the associate.
- Further in the event of any loss to the farmers i.e. end user of the seed on account of poor quality in terms of genetic purity (GOT standards), admixture etc. found on a later date, the producer will be responsible to compensate the loses, if any and resolve that issue amicably.
- Organizer will keep the total quantity of certified seed produced in its godown in ambient and dry storage condition till delivered to IIMR in a protected condition. IIMR will issue delivery order to organizer for supplying the certified seed from the go-down against orders received from various departments/public bodies/NGOs/ farmer associations/ other agencies etc or to institute or its godowns.
- The terms and conditions stated below shall be binding on the parties and their relationship shall be governed by the same.
- The organizer shall arrange field inspection of seed plots by certifying agency as and when required.
- The taxes and surcharges of any kind would be borne by the organizer only.
- In the event of any dispute or difference arising under or in connection with this agreement in implementation or its satisfaction. The same shall be referred to the sole arbitrator, who may be appointed by Director IIMR and decision of the arbitrator will be acceptable to both and abide by them. Place of arbitration will be Rangareddy district, Telangana
- The Director, ICAR-IIMR, Hyderabad, reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the EOI without assigning any reasons thereof.

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