

# CDIS-Output 3 News

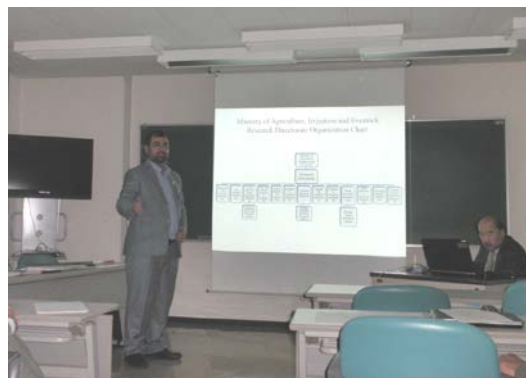
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The Project for Capacity Development and Institutional Strengthening of the Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Livestock in Afghanistan (CDIS) -Collaboration between Research and Extension-

## TOPICS

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| 1. Horticulture Training Started | 2. SMS Training on Report Writing |
| 3. Presentation of report format | 4. MBK-FRC                        |
|                                  | 5. New Tomato Varieties           |

**1. Training** on Advanced Cultivation Technology and Disease Pest Control Technology in Vegetable Crops has started on 8<sup>th</sup> November. They received a lecture on report writing together with SMS training participants on 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> November. After the lecture, the participants started going to Institute for Horticultural Plant Breeding in Chiba Prefecture 1) to learn the advance cultivation technology and disease pest control technology in vegetable crops, especially Tomato, 2) to learn what PDCA is and how to apply PDCA cycle in the research works and 3) to formulate research work plans on the basis of the training results. The participants will stay until 19<sup>th</sup> December.



Presentation of Job Report

List of Training Participants	
Mr. Abdul Ghafoor Azizi	Diseases specialist, plant protection dept.
Mr. Mohd Rafi Bawari	Plant insects research specialist, plant protection dept.
Mr. Ali Reza Bayat	Vegetable specialist, horticulture vegetable section
Mr. Mohd Amin Bayat	Vegetable research station manager, research directorate

**2. Intensive** training on research outcome compilation and report writing was held in Tsukuba International Centre, Ibaraki prefecture from 10<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> November. Seventeen PEACE\* students studying in Japan came for the training and joined by the four trainees participating to the Advanced Cultivation Technology and Disease Pest Control Technology in Vegetable Crops. They learned how to compile the research outcomes and to make manuals through practical exercises. It is important for researchers to write about their research outcomes in different forms to serve the different purposes. Research thesis must be detailed but basic report must be concise and simple. Basic report must be written in order to ensure accountability when researchers implement research using the public fund and are obliged to report to the public. Research outcomes also must be transferred to extension officers and farmers in the form of manuals. For manuals, researchers must be careful to understand the needs of extension officers and write only what they need in a simple way.

\*PEACE: The Project for the Promotion and Enhancement of the Afghan Capacity for Effective Development



Listening to the lecture



Group discussion

**3. Annual** Review Meeting (ARM) was held from 29<sup>th</sup> November to 1<sup>st</sup> December with the support of Afghanistan Agricultural Inputs Project (AAIP), World Bank. CDIS-Output3 had an opportunity to present our project. Mr. Masihullah Alekozai, our national staff, made a presentation. In the presentation, Mr. Alekozai introduced the basic report format which can be used to summarize the research outcomes and present at meetings like ARM. The format consists of basic information and research content information. The basic information consists of “Issue classification”, “Program title”, “Budget classification”, “Implementation year and period of research”, “Department, person in charge” and “Collaboration and area of responsibility”. The research content information consists of “Purpose, background and objectives”, “Experimental method”, “Summary of results”, “Specific data for principal results”, “Remaining problem”, “Specific plan for the following fiscal year”, and “Contact details for further inquiry”. Setting a format is important to standardize the contents of information researchers report to the public. The research reporting must include all the important information but exclude unnecessary information. The format he introduced at the ARM received many positive responses from the participants.

1. Issue classification :
2. Program title :
3. Budget classification :
4. Implementation year and period of research :
5. Department, person in charge :
6. Collaboration and area of responsibility :
7. Program background and objectives :
8. Experimental method:
9. Summary of results
1 0. Specific data for principal results :
1 1. Remaining problems :
1 2. Specific plan for the following fiscal year :

Example of a simple reporting format



Site visit

**4. For Farmer** Resource Center (FRC) in Mir Bacha Kot (MBK), bidding document is now out and distributed to seven company at 8<sup>th</sup> November. One of the companies asked the situation of the construction site and neighbors. The neighbors will benefit the most once the center is open. However, we must be careful not to disturb them while constructing it. Thus CDIS-Output3 sent our national staffs to inspect the site on 23<sup>rd</sup> November in order to see how closely construction site and neighbors are located.

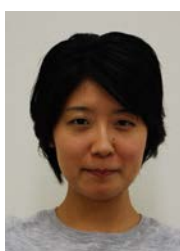
**5. To introduce** new tomato varieties, namely 2 small size tomato varieties and 3 medium size tomato varieties, for consumption in the market, a trial on introduction of new tomato varieties was conducted at Badam Bagh Experimental

Station (BBES) by Mr. Saboor Rahim. Brix sugar content were 5.9-7.5 and mini size tomato “Premium Ruby had the highest brix value and the highest yield.



Measuring the sugar content of tomato

### OUR STAFF



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