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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## I. INDIAN COUNCIL OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH

### UTILIZATION OF THE SERVICES OF RETIRED SCIENTISTS IN THE FIELD OF AGRICULTURE, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND ALLIED SCIENCES

The existing rules regarding superannuation sometimes put an abrupt end of the research work of an active scientist or, at any rate, make the continuation of such work extremely difficult as a result of which the talent of a good number of scientists who are physically fit and mentally alert is wasted after retirement for lack of opportunities to pursue work in their fields of specialization. In order that the experience and talent of such scientists as have finished with their active professional career is not wasted, the Indian Council of Agricultural Research decided to initiate, with effect from the 1st April, 1960, a scheme for the utilization of the services of retired scientists in the field of agriculture, animal husbandry and allied sciences.

2. Under the scheme retired/retiring scientists of established reputation who are still active in research will be enabled to continue their researches with suitable financial assistance from the Indian Council of Agricultural Research. The retired or retiring scientist should try to secure sponsoring Institution (which may be one from which he has retired or a different one) which would provide him necessary facilities for continuing his work, *e.g.*, access to the laboratory and library, accommodation for work, etc. The choice of the Institution at which the retired scientist would continue his researches will be left to the scientist himself but such Institution should be one acceptable to the Council. The retired or retiring scientist (within a year of his retirement) will submit to the Council, an outline scheme of research which he intends to undertake after retirement. In doing so, he will clearly give an account of the research work done by him during the five years preceding the date of his retirement or application whichever is later.

3. An annual allowance not exceeding Rs. 6,000 will be provided to the retired scientist himself, if asked for by him, and a grant ordinarily not exceeding Rs. 4,000 to cover the cost of one research assistant and other expenses as may be decided by the Council. The amount of the grant may be increased in exceptional cases where the investigations involve field work necessitating undertaking of tours or where costly equipment apparatus have to be purchased.

4. The allowances and grants to the scientists under the scheme will be provided, in the first instance, for a period of three years only. As usual, annual progress reports shall be submitted to the Council by the scientist. Where the retired scientist would like the grant to be renewed, he will have to submit a year in advance of the termination of the first sanction, an application to that effect indicating the progress made under the scheme and the programme proposed to be followed during subsequent years. The allowances and grants to the retired scientists will be payable on a monthly basis through the Institution to which the retired scientist is attached.

5. All applications for grant under the scheme during the year 1963-64 should be submitted to the Council in the prescribed proforma (in duplicate) which can be obtained, free of cost, from the Secretary, Indian Council of Agricultural Research, Krishi Bhavan, Dr. Rajendra Prasad Road, New Delhi. *Last date for receipt of applications is 30th August, 1964.*

**II. INDIAN SOCIETY OF AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS****TRAINING COURSE IN FARM MANAGEMENT**

The Society has now planned a programme to help improve research-cum-teaching competence of young research workers and college teachers mainly in Agricultural Colleges, University Departments of Economics and Agro-Economic Research Centres of the country. For this, under an *ad hoc* research grant from The Agricultural Development Council, Inc., New York, (U.S.A.), it has decided to hold a Training Course in Farm Management at four regional Centres to cover the entire country during this year. It is intended to train about 15 to 20 members at each regional Centre. In all about 60 to 80 members of the profession will receive training during this year. The course will be conducted by senior scholars, including some foreign experts, in the field of farm management. The programme is planned for 7 days at each regional Centre. The training courses would be held at Sardar Vallabhbhai Vidyapeeth, Vallabh Vidyanagar, Anand to cover the Western Region (Gujarat, Rajasthan, Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh), at the Ludhiana Agricultural College, Ludhiana for the Northern Region (Punjab, Uttar Pradesh, Delhi and Jammu & Kashmir), at the Agro-Economic Research Centre, Madras for the Southern Region (Madras, Mysore, Kerala and Andhra Pradesh) and at Visva-Bharati University, Santiniketan for the Eastern Region (West Bengal, Assam, Orissa and Bihar).