Introduction

For effective implementation and execution of TMC MMI Programme across all the centers in the country and maintaining liaison with ICAR, DAC, CAB, other mini missions and all organizations involved in cotton improvement TMC cell has been constituted with Director, CICR, Nagpur as member secretary and one scientist in-charge. The cell provides all round assistance to the smooth conducting of all projects and has to perform various tasks such as conducting annual review workshop, compiling and printing annual reports on TMC projects, organizing standing committee meetings, preparing the five year plan EFC budget document covering project wise, center wise and head wise budget for XI plan period as well as addressing various queries from ICAR and different centers on TMC programmes.

OBJECTIVES

1. To co-ordinate between centres all over the country for effective implementation of TMC MMI projects.
2. To prepare EFC document including budget and activities for TMC MMI under XI five year plan.
3. To conduct Standing Committee Meetings and Annual Review Workshops under TMC MMI.
4. To compile and edit annual reports

SALIENT FINDINGS

The Cell organized the 'Launch Workshop of TMC MMI' at CICR, Nagpur in June 2007 in which overwhelming response from all the centers was obtained to finalize the activities under each project. The Workshop provided a platform for all the workers to prepare their individual project document under the guidance of respective PIs.

Another very responsible task performed by the Cell was the distribution of funds received from ICAR to all centres. As soon as the amount of Rupees 5.39 crores was received in installments from ICAR, the demand drafts were sent to all the centres as per the sanctioned allocation. Budget of five years for all the centres was prepared.

The Cell is also taking all possible actions very promptly in response to the queries received from the centres from time to time with regard to the operationalization of the projects. The EFC memo for XI Five Year plan for TMC MMI component was drafted and sent to ICAR.

The Annual Report of 2006-07 was compiled, edited and printed.

The Annual Review Workshop of TMC MM-I was conducted at CICR (RS), Coimbatore during 22<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> July, 2008 under the Chairman ship of Dr. T. P Rajendran, ADG (PP & CC). A document on the Technical programme of TMC MM-I (2007-2012) along with budget details was prepared and released in the workshop. The progress of each project was presented by the respective Principal Investigators and the proceedings were prepared. The proceedings of workshop duly approved by the Chairman has been enclosed in Annexure-I.

Progress of the mission was also presented by the Project co-ordinator: and Head, CICR (RS), Coimbatore in Cotton Advisory Board meeting held at Mumbai on 16<sup>th</sup> October, 2008.

The budget allocation to different centers under different heads for 2007-2012 is annexed herewith (Annexure-II).