Government of India Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Department of Agricultural Research and Education Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi

FVMS Proposal ID- 4560-ADHOC WORKSHOP-16/5/2023-17/5/2023

Dated the May, 2023

To,

Director, ICAR-Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi

Subject: Grant of permission to Dr. B. Ramakrishnan, Pr. Scientist, ICAR-Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi for attending Workshop on 'Endophytic Microbes for Crop Nutrition: Reality or Myth?' at Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, U.S.A. from 16/05/2023 to 17/05/2023 (excluding journey time).

Sir,

I am directed to convey the approval of the competent authority of this department to the foreign visit of Dr. B. Ramakrishnan, Pr. Scientist, ICAR-Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi for attending Workshop on 'Endophytic Microbes for Crop Nutrition: Reality or Myth?' at Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, U.S.A. from 16/05/2023 to 17/05/2023 (excluding journey time). The instant visit will be treated as "Official". The duration of foreign visit shall not be extended. This permission is subject to FCRA clearance from MHA.

- 2. All expenses shall be borne by Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, U.S.A, so there is no financial liability on the part of DARE/ICAR/Institute.
- 3. The applicant may be relieved after completing pre departure formalities. He may be directed to upload the deputation report (including actionable items for ICAR and institute concerned) on the FVMS portal and to SMD concerned of ICAR, New Delhi and ADG(IR), ICAR, New Delhi within one month of the programme.

Yours Faithfully,

(Prem Prakash Maurya)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

Copy to:

- Dr. B. Ramakrishnan, Pr. Scientist, ICAR-Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi
- 2. Embassy of India, 2107 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20008 Email: cons6.washington@mea.gov.in
- 3. Project Director, DKMA, with request to kindly upload this permission letter on ICAR website.
- 4. ADG (IR), ICAR, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 5. JS (P), ICAR, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 6. Master File & Event Register.