ⁱSuggestions on Priority Areas for funding in the second Call for project proposals under NAIP

NAIP has progressed well in terms of reviewing the concept notes (CNs) submitted under the first competitive call made during October 2006. Thanks to one and all, we did receive a large number of Concept Notes in varied areas / novel areas under the three Research Components: Research on Production to Consumption Systems (PCS), Research on Sustainable Rural Livelihood Security (SRLS) and Basic and Strategic Research in Frontier Areas of Agricultural Sciences (BSR). However, in the process of reviewing them, it was observed that many of the priority areas suggested for agricultural research in the PIP, by the 11th Plan Working Group, NDC, Farmers' Commission and various other expert groups have not been adequately represented in the CNs received. Therefore, it has been decided by the Project Management Committee (PMC) of NAIP to invite the stakeholders to suggest which should be the priority areas under the three research Components of NAIP. These suggested areas, will be discussed in a Brain Storming Meeting consisting of members of NSC, PMC, RPC, Chairmen of TAGs of NAIP, eminent young scientists from different institutions, The World Bank and other stakeholders. It is planned to finalize about 30-40 high potential priority areas covering all the three components so that research proposals could be invited in these areas in the second call. The selection will however be made on competitive mode. Kindly send your suggestion on priority research area/s (with one or two lines describing / defining each area you suggest) for each Component of NAIP latest by 25th July 2007 to the following National Co-ordinators of NAIP for further necessary action. Please visit our website http://www.naip.icar.org.in for getting more details on the objectives and thrusts of NAIP, its functioning and other such details which may help you identifying the priority areas.

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