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## Expert Group Meeting

**To outline procedure for pilot testing of developed Modules on  
Training of Trainers (ToTs) and pilot testing of training modules to  
promote non-POP alternatives based on Integrated Vector Pest  
Management**



**Date: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2021**

**Time: 2.30 – 5.30 PM**



## Minutes of Meeting

Virtual Meeting of Expert group members held for two days on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2021 (2:30 PM - 5:30 PM) at CSIR- National Environmental Engineering Research Institute (NEERI), Nagpur to outline procedure for pilot testing of developed Modules, which are to be followed during Training of Trainers (ToTs) from various states of India.

Following members of Expert Group were present –

1. Dr. R. S. Sharma
2. Dr. Ratna Joseph
3. Dr. Kalpana Baruah
4. Dr. P. K. Srivastava
5. Dr. Himmat Singh
6. Dr. Amit Katewa
7. Dr. P. T. Joshi

Dr. A. Ramesh Kumar, Senior Scientist, CHWMD, CSIR-NEERI welcomed all the member and introduced the background of the project as well as requested to find best procedure for pilot testing of developed modules.

Dr. L. J. Kanhekar, Project Consultant, CSIR-NEERI deliberated on developed modules and pointed out that curriculum included in the modules is designed as per suggestions and inputs got during previous expert group meetings. Whatever technical inputs in ensuing ToTs will be provided by participants shall be incorporated appropriately keeping in view pilot testing of modules.

Dr. R. S. Sharma explained the content of the Training Module-1, where all VBDs and other non-insect borne diseases are included. He said that modules are prepared very systematically and impressive. Dr. Sharma strongly believed Module 1 & 2 are useful for medical officers and he suggested to conduct 10 training programmes and 2 pilot testing meeting inviting state-level vector control personals as far as pilot testing is concerned.

Dr. Ratna Joseph, Ex-Deputy Director, NVBDCP, Telangana State, deliberated on pilot testing. He described the five stages for pilot testing of modules, viz. 1. Drafting, 2. Finalization, 3. Testing, 4. Communication, 5. Updating. Dr. Joseph suggested as modules are developed it should be tested through gross-root level field training so that updating of modules can be implemented.

Dr. Kalpana Baruah, Additional Director, NVBDCP applauded CSIR-NEERI for bringing out elaborative and impressive training modules, which includes diagrams, graphs and tables. She thought these modules shall be useful for next generations and suggested to include executive summary to each module.

Dr. P. K. Srivastava, Former Joint Director, NVBDCP appreciated contents of the modules and suggested to include chapter on legal perspective module-wise. He also suggested some editing to be added to module 3 and 4.

Dr. Himmat Singh, Scientist -D, NIMR; Dr Amit Katewa, Consultant, NVBDCP and Dr. P. T. Joshi, Former State Entomologist, Gujrat found all modules in comprehensive order and these modules shall be useful and ready reference to all vector control personals throughout country.

The draft of all modules may have flexibility to include relevant information for pilot testing. The Farmer Field School (FFS) approach in IVPM is a welcome step as far as vector control is concerned.

Two days virtual meeting of Expert group members concluded with vote of thanks by Dr. L. J. Kanhekar, Consultant, CSIR-NEERI, Nagpur.



