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Expression of Interest (EoI) for Seed Production

Call for The Expression of Interest (EoI) from Seed Producing Organizers for Enrolment with ICAR- IIOR, Hyderabad for Seed production of Castor, Sunflower and Safflower for rabi-2023-24.

ICAR-IIOR, a constituent organization under the Indian Council of Agricultural Research, a society under DARE, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Government of India, invites Expression of Interest (EOI) from the reputed Seed Producing Organizers (Private seed Producers/ Central & State Govt. Agencies/ Co- operative Societies, FPOs, Farmers, etc) for Production and Supply of certified/truthful labeled seeds of oilseeds crops.

How to Apply:

A brief statement about the Seed producing Organizer profile, experience in seed production of oilseed crops, past experience in seed production and their supply, facilities available for processing, grading, packing etc. needs to be furnished.

The production programme for *rabi* and summer and for the subsequent period will be allotted to the qualified agencies. The seed producer shall have to sign an agreement with ICAR-IIOR for supply of committed quality within the stipulated period. The cumulative requirement would be for a quantum of approximate 700-900 quintals in a year which may vary according to actual requirement.

Presently the above details are required for short listing and empanelment of bona-fide registered producers. Interested and experienced firms in this domain may submit their technical proposal with details of seed production and supply requirements and about themselves to the **Director, ICAR-IIOR, Hyderabad, latest by 25.07.2023, 04.00 pm.**

Requirements: The seed producer (Telangana, Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka) (except government organization/ university / KVK /cooperatives/individual farmer) should have at least two years' experience in seed production of Sunflower, Safflower and Castor as appropriate.

Terms and Conditions:

- The quantity and variety of certified/truthful/other class of seed to be produced would be finalized by ICAR-IIOR on mutually acceptable terms for meeting requirement of each year.
- The seed producer would complete all formalities for undertaking certified seed production programme with the seed agencies and deposit mandatory documents for the same.

- The total cost of certified/TL seed production would be borne by the seed producer. The seed producer will be required to monitor and render necessary guidance for implementation of full package of practices of the seed crop for better production and shall render all documents required by the Certification agency for verification.
- After the crop has been harvested, the processing, grading and packing of the seed so produced will be carried out by the seed producer.
- ICAR-IIOR, Hyderabad will procure the certified/other classes of seeds so produced from the seed producer at the approved procurement price finalized by IIOR in accordance with pricing by ICAR-IIOR as incorporated in the agreement signed by both IIOR and Seed Production Organizer.
- After the processing (and certification process, if applicable) is over, the seed producer would inform ICAR-IIOR, Hyderabad about the exact quantity of certified seed ready for supply in order to make arrangement for lifting/distribution by IIOR.
- The seed producer would be fully responsible for any complaint regarding quality of the certified/TL seed so produced. The seed producer shall indemnify ICAR-IIOR, Hyderabad from all costs, risks and responsibilities that may arise on account of action or inaction on part of the associate.
- Further in the event of any loss to the farmers i.e. end user of the seed on account of poor quality in terms of genetic purity (GOT standards), admixture etc. found on a later date, the seed producer will be responsible to compensate the losses, if any and resolve that issue amicably.
- Seed producer will keep the total quantity of certified/TL seed produced in its godown in ambient storage condition. IIOR will issue delivery order to seed producer for supplying the certified/TL seed from the go-down against orders received from various departments/public bodies/NGOs/ farmer associations/ other agencies etc.
- The terms and conditions stated below shall be binding on the parties and their relationship shall be governed by the same.
- The seed producer shall arrange field inspection of seed plots by certifying agency as and when required.
- The taxes and surcharges of any kind would be borne by the seed producer only.
- In the event of any dispute or difference arising under or in connection with this agreement in implementation or its satisfaction, the same shall be referred to the sole arbitrator, who may be appointed by Director, ICAR-IIOR and decision of the arbitrator will be acceptable to both and abide by them. Place of arbitration will be Ranga Reddy district, Telangana.
- The Director, ICAR-IIOR, Hyderabad, reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the EOI without assigning any reasons thereof.