

Action sheet of the 34th Peppertech Meeting held on 2nd December 2009, Belem Hotel, Belem, Para State, Brazil

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	<p>Introduction</p> <p>The 34th Peppertech Meeting was held at Belem Hilton, Belem, State of Para, Brazil on 2nd December 2009. The meeting was hosted by the Government of Brazil and was organized jointly by the Ministry of Agriculture, the Government of Para State, Association of Brazilian Pepper Exporters and the International Pepper Community.</p> <p>The meeting was attended by officials, scientists and trade representatives from member countries of Brazil, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Sri Lanka and Vietnam, as well as, officials and trade delegates from other producing countries from People's Republic of China and consuming countries including Argentina, Bulgaria and Italy.</p> <p>Representative from the Food Agriculture Organization was also present at the Meeting. The list of delegates is given as <u>Annex 01</u>.</p>	Noted																		
1	<p>Adoption of Agenda</p> <p>It was agreed that agenda item 7 was removed and 2 agenda items were added namely presentations on Viruses of Black Pepper by Dr. Alessandra de Boari; and Research for Alternative Methods for <i>Fusariosis</i> Control in Black Pepper by Dr. Celia Tremacoldi, both from Embrapa Amazonia Biotechnology Laboratory, Para State, Brazil. The adopted agenda is given as <u>Annex 02</u>.</p>	The suggestions were taken into consideration and the revised agenda were adopted accordingly.																		
2	<p>Welcome address by Executive Director of IPC</p> <p>The Executive Director welcomed all delegates and hoped that this meeting will come up with a fruitful discussion.</p>	Noted																		
3	<p>Election of Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Members of Drafting Committee</p> <p>Mr. Andre Oliveira of Brazil and Dr. Y.R.Sarma of India were unanimously elected as Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Meeting.</p> <p>The Vice-Chairman will be the Chairman of the Drafting Committee which consists of the following members:</p> <table> <tr> <td>Ms.</td><td>Carolina Costellini</td><td>Brazil</td></tr> <tr> <td>Dr.</td><td>Tamil Selvan</td><td>India</td></tr> <tr> <td>Ms.</td><td>Dyah Palupi</td><td>Indonesia</td></tr> <tr> <td>Mr.</td><td>Zehnder Jarroop</td><td>Malaysia</td></tr> <tr> <td>Mr.</td><td>W.D.L. Gunaratne</td><td>Sri Lanka</td></tr> <tr> <td>Mr.</td><td>Tran Mai Khanh Phuong</td><td>Vietnam</td></tr> </table>	Ms.	Carolina Costellini	Brazil	Dr.	Tamil Selvan	India	Ms.	Dyah Palupi	Indonesia	Mr.	Zehnder Jarroop	Malaysia	Mr.	W.D.L. Gunaratne	Sri Lanka	Mr.	Tran Mai Khanh Phuong	Vietnam	Noted
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4	<p>Review of the progress report on recommendations of the 33rd Peppertech Meeting</p> <p>The Executive Director briefed the meeting on the progress and action taken in respect of various recommendations made at last year's meeting. The meeting took note of the report which is given as <u>Annex 03</u></p>	Executive Director briefed the meeting on decisions of the last year's meeting and reported the follow up action taken by IPC. The Meeting noted the report.																		

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5	<p>Presentation of a progress report on “FAO TCP Project - Smallholder Livelihood Enhancement and Income Generation via Improvement of Pepper Production, Processing, Value-adding and Marketing Systems and Enterprise Diversification, in Indonesia, Viet Nam and Sri Lanka” by Dr. Y.R. Sarma, FAO Lead Consultant.</p> <p>Dr. Y.R. Sarma, Lead Consultant of the FAO TCP Project presented a progress report on the above. He presented in detail the objective of the projects and various activities undertaken by the project during its implementation in Indonesia, Sri Lanka and Vietnam.</p> <p>Since it is difficult to achieve overall objective within the project period, the Meeting suggested that the participating countries to continue the activities and programmes initiated by the FAO TCP project.</p> <p>Representative from Brazil has requested that the outcome of the project may be shared with the other member countries which are not covered by the project.</p> <p>Mr. Odilson Luiz Ribeiro e Silva suggested organizing a workshop on all aspects of Black Pepper more specifically on the pests and diseases management, as well as, the germplasm exchange to resolve the major production constraints. Interaction among the scientists from the member countries is essential for developing and improvising productivity.</p> <p>Dr. Sarma informed that this FAO TCP project is likely to complete by end of 2009 as per the information from the FAO. The full report presented by Dr. Sarma is given as <u>Annex 04</u>.</p>	<p>The IPC and the lead consultant, Dr. YR Sharma have communicated with the concerned ministry in Brazil, i.e. Ministry of Agriculture (MAPA) on this matter. Official at MAPA informed that this matter has been discussed by the concerned agencies in Brazil, including MAPA, ABEP etc. Brazil will revert back to IPC in due course on this proposal.</p>
6	<p>Presentation of country papers themed “Post-harvest Technology and Value addition initiative to enhance the income of pepper producers” by representatives from member countries.</p> <p>Representative from Malaysia, Sri Lanka and Vietnam presented the paper presentations. The papers presented are given as <u>Annexes 05, 06</u> and <u>07</u> respectively. There were no paper presented by Brazil, India and Indonesia.</p>	<p>Papers presented were included in the proceeding of the Meeting</p>
7	<p>Presentation of papers on</p> <p>7.1 Viruses of Black Pepper by Dr. Alessandra de Boari of EMBRAPA Amazonia</p> <p>7.2 Research for Alternative Methods for Fusariosis Control in Black Pepper by Dr. Celia Tremacoldi of EMBRAPA Amazonia</p> <p>The above papers were presented and are given as <u>Annexes 08</u> and <u>09</u> respectively.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
8	<p>Discussion on the dissemination of the technologies developed under United Nations’ Fund/ projects in any of member countries to be extended to the other member countries.</p> <p>Dr. Y.R. Sarma, the Lead Consultant of FAO TCP Project informed that there would be no any problem in sharing the technologies developed by UN FAO projects to both participating, and other non-participating member countries. In view of this, Dr. Sarma suggested that FAO may be approached for this.</p>	<p>IPC has approached FAO to extend the project however till date there has not been any positive response received from FAO.</p>

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9	<p>Discussion and Consideration of Developing the Test Guidelines (TG) of Pepper (<i>Piper nigrum</i> L.) to be undertaken jointly by member countries to protect new varieties of Pepper.</p> <p>The meeting considered the document on Test Guidelines developed by India, which is available in the website. It was agreed that further details in this subject, may be discussed by member countries in the next Peppertech Meeting.</p>	
10	<p>Discussion on the provisional agenda for the 35th Peppertech Meeting</p> <p>Brazil suggested that the following items shall be included in the agenda of the 35th Peppertech Meeting, namely: Germplasm Exchange and collaborative work among the member countries on Pests and Disease management; is called for, for sustainability of black pepper.</p>	
11	<p>Discussion on the date and venue for the 35th Peppertech Meeting</p> <p>The representative of India informed that the Government of India will be hosting the 35th Peppertech Meeting along with the 38th Session of IPC in Cochin, sometimes during 2nd half of November 2010. The dates and venue will be further communicated to the IPC in due course</p>	The 35 th Peppertech Meeting is being held in Cochin, India on 10 th November, along with the 38 th Session of IPC.
12	<p>Other matters</p> <p>Recently the IPC Secretariat has requested the experts of the IPM committee in member countries to revise the calendar of operation if any, specifically on pesticides deleted, or included and their dosage. It was informed that IPC has received the inputs from India and Indonesia. The meeting requested other member countries to provide inputs on IPM package on this subject, to IPC Secretariat preferably by end of December 2009.</p> <p>The scientists concerned from the member countries who provided reviews on 1) diseases and management; 2) insect pests and management, are requested to update their articles and send them to IPC with a copy marked to Dr. YR Sarma, who is also the Chairman of IPC Expert Group on IPM</p>	The IPC has sent letter ref. N-122/IPC/Sess-38/2010 dated 14 th July 2010 to member countries requesting concerned scientists in member countries to provide the required inputs. On 29 th July, Dr. S. Devasahayam of IISR, India has informed that the required information from India has been sent to Dr. YR Sarma.
13	<p>Consideration and adoption of the report of the 34th Peppertech Meeting</p> <p>The report will be placed for consideration and adoption at the 37th Plenary Session of International Pepper Community.</p>	Noted
14	<p>Vote of thanks</p> <p>Executive Director thanked all the scientists and participants who attended and actively contributed to the meeting.</p>	Noted