

AGREEMENT FOR COOPERATION
BETWEEN
THE CHINESE ACADEMY OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES (CAAS),
BEIJING, PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA
AND
THE INTERNATIONAL CROPS RESEARCH INSTITUTE FOR THE
SEMI-ARID TROPICS (ICRISAT),
PATANCHERU, INDIA

WHEREAS, sorghum, pearl millet, groundnut, pulse crops and dryland farming systems research presents tremendous potential in the current efforts at upgrading Chinese agriculture, and

WHEREAS the Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences (CAAS) with its headquarters in Beijing, People's Republic of China, is charged with the responsibility for the organization and overall direction of the Agricultural Research Program in the People's Republic of China, and

WHEREAS the International Crops Research Institute for Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT) with its headquarters in Patancheru, India, is an autonomous, non-profit making research and training organization sponsored and funded by the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR) and has, as its major objectives: the conduct of research on improvement of sorghum, pearl millet, chickpea, pigeonpea, and groundnut as well as in farming systems for optimum farm resource management.

Now, Therefore, the Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences, No. 30 Bai Shi Qiao Road, Beijing, People's Republic of China (hereinafter referred to as CAAS) and the International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics, P.O. Patancheru, Andhra Pradesh 502324, India (hereinafter Referred to as ICRISAT) arrive at an agreement for mutual cooperation as follows:

ARTICLE 1

ICRISAT will provide, subject to personnel and budgetary limitations, and as may be mutually agreed upon:

- (a) Consultants to advise and assist the research efforts of CAAS in selected programs;
- (b) Opportunities for cooperative research and in-service short- and long-term training to Chinese scientists;
- (c) Opportunities for research by Chinese scientists for doctoral theses guided by the scientists of both the parties in ICRISAT;
- (d) Relevant scientific literature, information and publications;
- (e) Farming systems technology and genetic germplasm and breeding materials which may be found useful and relevant towards the improvement of Chinese agriculture;
- (f) Opportunities to Chinese scientists for participation in International conferences, workshops, seminars and symposia,

which will be conducted by ICRISAT at ICRISAT Center or other places.

ARTICLE 2

CAAS will provide, to ICRISAT, subject to personnel and budgetary limitations, and as may be mutually agreed upon:

- (a) Facilities for office, laboratory and experimental field tests within the CAAS research network;
- (b) Scientific and necessary supporting staff and logistics for the cooperative research projects.

ARTICLE 3

- (a) Benefits such as improved breeding materials, machinery, designs and techniques, accruing or arising from this cooperative effort may be used by either or both parties with the due recognition of each party's contribution;
- (b) Research findings as a result of the joint cooperative work of the two parties will be published in the public interest as mutually agreed upon, and
- (c) Research findings published by either party will give credit to the other party's contribution, and at the same time, will be

entirely responsible for the conclusions and interpretations reported.

ARTICLE 4

In order to facilitate the implementation of the cooperative undertakings envisaged in this Agreement, CAAS will:

- (a) Extend invitations to ICRISAT staff members to participate in workshops, conferences, investigation tours and other activities related to sorghum, pearl millet, groundnut, chickpea, pigeonpea and dryland farming systems technology conducted by CAAS;
- (b) Assist in obtaining visas and completion of necessary formalities in connection with visits of ICRISAT scientists to China;
- (c) Recommend Chinese scientists to participate in conferences, workshops, training programs, and other collaborative activities mutually agreed upon, and assist in going through the related formalities;
- (d) According to the Chinese laws, arrange exemption from customs duties and other related clearance in respect of articles (instrument, equipment, reagent, testing materials and project vehicles) imported by ICRISAT into China through mutual consultation for its official use for implementation of projects identified in terms of this Agreement;

- (e) According to the Chinese laws, arrange exemption from customs duties and other related clearance of personal and household effects, (including a personal motor vehicle, or other vehicle, household supplies or similar things) imported by an ICRISAT staff member, assigned to CAAS and its coordination network on the basis of the agreement, for his personal or family use. It is understood, however, that such household goods will not be sold in China except in accordance with the laws and regulations of the government;
- (f) According to the Chinese laws, arrange exemption from the payment of any direct taxes or other levies on moneys being salary and other emoluments received from ICRISAT by ICRISAT staff members assigned to CAAS under this Agreement.
- (g) Allow ICRISAT the freedom to transfer its funds to or from one country to another or within the country and to convert its funds into any other currency in discharge of its research and training activities;
- (h) Coordinate the collaboration between Provincial Academies of Agricultural Sciences, Agricultural Universities, other relevant organizations in China and ICRISAT and bring these collaboration activities into the workplans between CAAS and ICRISAT;
- (i) After mutual consultation, authorize ICRISAT to sign agreements with other international agencies in China to facilitate its project management and logistics support.

ARTICLE 5

The president of CAAS and the Director General of ICRISAT may name members of their respective staff to work out the practical details of cooperation between the two organizations and, in general, to ensure the proper and effective implementation of this Agreement. Such details, as agreed upon, will be confirmed by exchange of letters between CAAS and ICRISAT and such letters will form part of this Agreement.

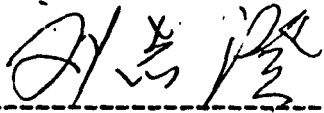
ARTICLE 6

This Agreement may be supplemented by workplans to be developed jointly. Such workplans will require the approval and signing of both parties for implementation. The two parties will meet, as and when necessary, to discuss and sign the work plan. Such meetings will be held alternatively at Beijing and Patancheru.

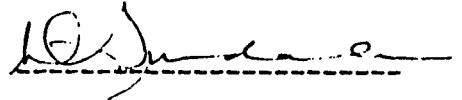
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The Agreement shall enter into force on the date of signing and shall remain in force for a period of five years. This Agreement may be amended by mutual consent. This Agreement shall be automatically renewed for each subsequent period of five years unless either party gives a written notice to the other of its intention to terminate it. The Agreement shall stand terminated at the end of six months from the date of notice.

Signed at Patancheru this 2nd day of May 1988, in two originals,
in the English language.



Dr. Liu Zhicheng
Vice-President
CAAS



Dr. L.D. Swindale
Director General
ICRISAT

