Brainstorming Webinar on
Revisiting Strategy for Self Sufficiency in Pulses: Introspection and Correction
September 05, 2020 • 2.00 PM to 5.00 PM (IST)
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India is the largest global producer (23.02 MT), consumer (25.92 MT) and importer (2.52 MT) of pulses, witnessing an unprecedented growth in their production and productivity in last 6 years. Extensive efforts have been undertaken during the last decade for promotion of pulses which include:
- Technology initiatives: Aggressive programmes on varietal improvement and development of matching production and protection technologies
- Policy initiatives: Establishment of 150 seed hubs, enhancing breeder seed production centers, declaration of MSP and ensuring procurement, cluster demonstrations, etc.

While these initiatives reduced the country’s imports to a significant level, the production is constant at around 23-25 MT since last 4-5 years which needs to be further enhanced to 32 MT by 2030 and 39 MT by 2050. This needs an addition of 1 MT of pulses every year indicating the need to realize grey areas in our pulses self-sufficiency strategy, adopt a remedial approach and implement a plan towards achieving breakthrough in yield barriers and strengthening the weak links in the entire pulses value chain.

Aims of the Webinar
This brainstorming webinar aims at developing a strategy for:
- Long term growth and sustenance of pulses
- Making the country self reliant keeping in view future needs
- Stopping the import of pulses
- Initiating export of specialty pulses
- Enhancing grain and nutritional quality to ensure nutritional security
- Policy reforms promoting growth and development of pulses

Eminent Panelists
Dr T Mohapatra, Secy., DARE and DG, ICAR
Dr TR Sharma, DDG (Crop Sciences), ICAR
Dr MS Saxena, ICARDA
Dr PM Salimath, Former VC, UAS, Dharwad
Dr SK Sharma, Former VC, CSKHPKV, Palampur
Dr BB Singh, Former ADG (O&P), ICAR
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Registration
Participation only by registration at: https://zoom.us/meeting/register/TJYpc-GrrTtwHdaAA2ntWfo10m3JfZp3x69i
Limited slots available, registration to be completed by September 02, 2020, 5.00 PM
Live streaming open to all at: https://youtu.be/S3B8jXkvm8s

Who can participate
Researchers, Academicians, Policy makers and Stakeholders with interest in research and development of pulses (with invitation only)

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