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Akhtar Hameed Khan National Centre for Rural Development
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: AARDO-MARDI International Online Training Programme on “Advancements in Food Technologies: Bridging Innovation with a Sustainable Future”, MARDI, Malaysia, November 25-29, 2024

The undersigned is directed to inform that the African Asian Rural Development Organization (AARDO), New Delhi, India is organizing subject international ONLINE training programme collaboration with the Malaysian Agricultural Research Development Institute (MARDI), Malaysia, during **November 25-29, 2024**. AARDO has invited nominations from Pakistan to attend the subject training programme that will be conducted for five days (total 10 hours, two hours’ session on each day). The session timings will be 1430-1630 hrs. Indian Standard Time (1400-1600 hrs. PST).

2. **Objectives:**

Objectives of the training programme are to:

- Share the experiences and current state of Malaysia’s advancements in food technologies; and,
- Establish an efficient networking among participants from all member countries for future research and technical collaborations.

3. **Eligibility Criteria:**

The candidate must:

- Be a Government Officer (BPS-17 or above) or middle or senior level officers from Ministries/Divisions/Attached Departments, Provincial Governments and Public-Sector Universities;
- Have bachelor’s degree with a considerable working experience in the concerned fields;
- Have proficiency in spoken and written English language as the medium of conducting the programmes will be English only; and,
- Be conversant with ICT and willing to undertake online training programme.

4. Interested candidates fulfilling the eligibility criteria are required to submit online applications on AARDO’s website (<http://aardo.org/formDD.php>). Nominations of the interested candidates consisting of the following may be sent to Director General, AHKNCRD, latest by **November 13, 2024**.

- Clearly scanned or printed copies of the duly filled and submitted online application forms, and
- The official nomination letters.

5. Advance copies of the approved nominations with submitted application forms may preferably be emailed at ro2@ncrd.gov.pk as well as dg@ncrd.gov.pk, due to paucity of available time. The nominations may also be faxed at [051-9255157](tel:051-9255157).
6. Incomplete/late nomination(s) will not be entertained. After scrutiny and approval of nomination(s) by the competent forum, the selected nominee(s) will be informed accordingly. Likewise, other necessary details will also be shared later on.
7. In case of any queries, please feel free to contact the undersigned (focal person).



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13. Director General, National Agriculture Research Centre (NARC), Islamabad.
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18. Secretaries, Local Govt. & Rural Development Depts., Govt. of Punjab, Lahore; Govt. of Sindh, Karachi; Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar; Govt. of Baluchistan, Quetta; Govt. of AJ&K, Muzaffarabad; Govt. of Gilgit-Baltistan, Gilgit.
19. Secretaries, Agriculture Depts., Govt. of Punjab, Lahore; Govt. of Sindh, Karachi; Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar; Govt. of Baluchistan, Quetta; Govt. of AJ&K, Muzaffarabad; Govt. of Gilgit-Baltistan, Gilgit.

CC.

20. Joint Secretary (Training), Establishment Division, Islamabad.
21. Assistant Director (T-II), NCRD, with the request to upload this OM on the NCRD website.