

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONSORTIUM IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE (CIC)
FOR THE SUB PROJECT
“VALUE CHAIN ON CASHEW FOR DOMESTIC AND EXPORT MARKET”
UNDER NAIP COMPONENT 2 ON 7TH FEBRUARY 2011 AT CEPC LABORATORY AND
TECHNICAL DIVISION, KOLLAM.

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Consortium Partners:

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Dr V Palanimuthu, CCPI, University of Agricultural science, Bengaluru
Dr KA Ratheesh, CCPI, KSCDC, Kollam

All CIC members, CCPIs except Dr. K. A. Ratheesh, K.S.C.D.C., and Research Associates working in the project at various centres were present.

As per the programme schedule, the meeting was started at 10.30 a.m. with the welcome address given by Dr D Balasubramanian, CCPI, DCR, Puthur, Karnataka and following this, the consortium partners presented the progress of work under the project from their respective centres, since the last meeting. The interaction and discussion took place. The CIC members suggested appropriate recommendations for various activities as contemplated. Miss Joyce, RA of DCR, Puthur, Karnataka proposed a vote of thanks. The meeting ended at 14.00hrs.

The recommendations of the meeting are given below.-

Sl No	Points	Recommendations/Remarks by CIC
1	Progress of work at CEPCI, Kollam.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The CIC has firmly approved and strongly recommended the extension from June 2012-December 2013 as time is required for pilot studies of various technologies developed. 2. Studies relating to packaging 3. Cost/Profit ratio of the technologies developed to be worked out. Techno-Economic Feasibility Reports (TEFR) for the value added product may be prepared while commercialising the technologies. 4. For complete shelling of non thermal cut open Raw cashew nut; further studies can be done in co-ordination with UAS, Bangalore; with the use of the pedal operated cashew sheller. 5. Pilot Scale studies of the technologies developed to be done
2	Progress of work at DCR, Puthur	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CIC recommended the extension from June 2012-December 2013 as texture profiling of RCN is difficult to study within March as the harvesting of RCN starts only in the month of March. 2. Permission may be given to make a study visit by the CCPI to any cashew processing countries either Vietnam or Combodia to understand the latest development in the field of mechanisation. The CIC recommends these suggestions. 3. The improvement in non thermally cut open Raw cashew nut may be attempted in collaboration with DCR, Puttur.
3	Progress of work at UAS, Bengaluru	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CIC recommended the extension from June 2012-December 2013 as Prototype Automatic Cashew Sheller requires further improvement. Modification and fabrication of the current prototype needs atleast six months and further evaluation by the industry, refinement, if any, may ultimately necessitate almost a year of work. 2. Permission may be given to make a study visit by the CCPI to any cashew processing countries either Vietnam or Cambodia to understand the latest development in the field of mechanisation. The CIC recommends these suggestions. 3. The improvement in non thermally cut open Raw cashew nut may be attempted in collaboration with UAS, Bengaluru
4	Progress of work at KSCDC, Kollam	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The shelf life study comparison of the existing and upcoming various cashew value products available in the market may be assessed with the help of CEPCI, Kollam

		<p>2. An “Emperical formula” development studies for RCN based on Price structure, Moisture content, Kernel Recovery was recommended.</p> <p>3. CIC recommended the extension from June 2012-December 2013 as for the marketing of the new value added products developed by KSCDC needs more studies regarding market acceptability and market feed back etc.</p> <p>4. Cost/Profit ratio of the technologies developed to be worked out.</p>
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General Recommendations

- Immediate release of funds for the current year and requirement of an extension for a period of 1 and a half years was strongly recommended.
- Pilot plant studies on the newly developed technologies were highly recommended for the extension period.
- It is understood that **Dr V P Potty**, Principal Investigator’s (PI) contract term with CEPCI is expiring on the 31st May 2012. In the absence of the Principal Investigator, **Dr C Prabhakumari** - Deputy Principal Scientist of CEPCI and **CCPI** of the ongoing NAIP project on “**Value chain on Cashew for Domestic and Export Market**”; will function as **CPI**. The principal investigator Dr V P Potty has agreed to function as consultant to NAIP project work on “**Value chain on Cashew for Domestic and Export Market**”.

Signature of CIC Members

Dr. S. N. Moorthy :

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Dr. M.S. Sajeev :

Dr. T. Srinivas :

Signature of Chairman CIC

Dr. V.P. Potty