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## **Thirteenth Meeting of the Committee on Projects (COP)**

**May 14, 2012 (Monday)**

**IJSG Secretariat, Dhaka, Bangladesh**

**Record of Recommendations/Decisions**

**(Agenda item I)**

## Record of Recommendations/Decisions

### Thirteenth Meeting of the Committee on Projects (COP)

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#### Reports on the Recently Completed Activities

1. **Agenda item B.1.I** **Trainings on Design & Product Development of Fabric based Jute Bags in Bangladesh and India during October 24-November 2, 2011 and December 16-23, 2011 respectively**

The Committee noted the successful completion of the product and design development training and suggested IJSG to get the feedbacks from the trainees and continue this type of training in future.

#### Status of On-going Projects

2. **Agenda item B.2.I** **Development and Application of Potentially Important Jute Geotextiles (CFC/IJSG/21)**

The Committee noted the progress of the project and suggested to put best efforts to complete all field trials activities within 2012 and also emphasised upon focusing on the standardization of the jute geotextiles for the international markets.

3. **Agenda item B.2.II** **Increased Production Efficiency in Small-holder Kenaf Production Systems for Specific Industrial Applications (CFC/IJSG/25)**

The Committee took note of the progress of the project.

4. **Agenda item B.2.III** **Small Scale Entrepreneurship Development in Diversified Jute Products (CFC/IJSG/18)**

Noting the comments of the delegates, the committee decided that IJSG will appraise the status of the activities under loan component in the next COP meeting.

#### Status of On-going Activities

5. **Agenda item B.3.I** **Collaborative Action Research Project of Women Rural Artisan on Handicrafts (Jute and Others) for their Improvement of Livelihoods**

The Committee noted the status of the activity and suggested IJSG to take up the similar training for the rural women in different areas of Bangladesh/India in future.

6. **Agenda item B.3.II** **Common HS Codes for Jute and Jute Products including Product Description**

The Committee noted the status regarding updating the common HS codes for new jute products and suggested IJSG to follow-up with the NJB, India and PJMA, Pakistan for the latest product list.

**7. Agenda item B.3.III Earning Carbon Credit through Jute Cultivation**

The Committee noted the status of the agenda.

**8. Agenda item B.3.IV Seminars/Workshops in any Prospective Member Countries**

The Committee noted the status of the agenda.

**9. Agenda item B.3.V Skill Development of Supervisors and Technologists of Jute Industry**

The Committee noted the status of the agenda and suggested IJSG to request the jute industry for funding for the training programme.

<b>Updates of the Approved Unfunded Projects</b>
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**10. Agenda item B.4.I Commercial Application of Effective Simultaneous Dyeing and Finishing Method for Jute, Jute-Cotton Union and Jute-Cotton Blended Fabrics with Reactive Dyes**

The Committee noted the comments of the delegates and suggested BJRI to send the revised project proposal with minimum possible cost.

**11. Agenda item B.4.II Development of Jute Seed Entrepreneurship through Regional Cooperation**

The Committee noted the status of the project.

**12. (a) Agenda item B.4.III Development of Marketing Strategies for Natural Fibre-based Products in view of Changing Global Demand: Special Focus on Jute Products of Bangladesh and India**

The Committee noted the comments of the delegates and suggested the IJSG Secretariat to place the full-fledged project proposal before the next Council meeting of IJSG for approval.

**13. Agenda item B.4.IV Development of Rapid Test Method for Determination of Unsaponifiables in Food Grade Jute Products**

The Committee noting the comments of the delegates suggested continuing with the project as it is important for the jute industry. The Committee also suggested sending the proposal to the Governments of Bangladesh & India; and Jute Associations to share the cost of the project.

**14. Agenda item B.4.V Eco-labeling and Disposal Protocol of Jute and Jute Products**

The Committee noted the comments of the delegates and the status of the agenda.

15. **Agenda item B.4.VI** **Introductory Work on Jute-Thermoplastic Components for Automotive and other Continuous Profile Applications**

The Committee took note of the project's status.

16. **Agenda item B.4.VII** **Strengthening of Jute Bag Value Chain and its Market Promotion**

The Committee noted the comments of the delegates and suggested IJSG to develop the full fledged proposal with the involvement of Traidcraft Exchange, Bangladesh and submit it to the Switch Asia, EU within the deadline.

17. **Agenda item B.4.VIII** **Stitchbonding Novel Jute Fabric Forming Process after Carding, leading to Textile Application**

The Committee noted the comments of the delegates and suggested to drop it as a separate project as it has been clubbed with other similar projects mentioned in Agenda item B.4.IX .

18. **Agenda item B.4.IX** **Development of Innovative Jute Carry Bags through Adoption of Non-Conventional Technologies**

The Committee noted the status of the project and authorised the IJSG Secretariat to pursue it in required manner.

<p><b>Consideration of New Proposal for Projects</b></p>
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19. **Agenda item C.1.I** **Development of production consumption system in ramie (Boehmeria nivea L. Gaud.) for long-term livelihood security of farmers**
20. **Agenda item C.1.II** **Enhanced Sunnhemp Production through an Integrated and Self sustaining model of location specific production technology of sunnhemp**
21. **Agenda item C.1.III** **Productivity enhancement in Flax fibre Crop through Technological Intervention for Profitable Flax Cultivation in India**

The committee suggested IJSG Secretariat to get the views from the counterpart organisations in Bangladesh and advised to put the projects for the guidance of the Council in its next meeting.

22. **Agenda item D** **Review of the Special Account**

*The Committee took note of the position of the Special Account.*

23. **Agenda item F** **Consideration of Recommendations to be submitted to the Council of IJSG**

The Committee on Projects:

- a) Requested the Council to suggest ways for finding resources for important projects and activities particularly in view of the inadequacy of financial support from donor agencies.
- b) Suggested to place the full fledged project proposal mentioned in Agenda item B.4.III
- c) Suggested to discuss the new proposals on Ramie, Sunnhemp and Flax mentioned in Agenda item C.1.I, C.1.II and C.1.III.

**24. Agenda item G Election of the Chairperson and the Vice-Chairperson for the jute year 2012-2013**

The Committee unanimously resolved that the present Chairperson, Additional Secretary (Policy), Ministry of Textiles & Jute, Government of Bangladesh and the Vice-Chairperson, Jute Commissioner, Ministry of Textiles, Government of India to continue for the jute year 2012-2013.

**25. Agenda item H Dates of the fourteenth meeting of the COP**

The Committee authorised the Secretary General to fix a suitable date for the Fourteenth Meeting of the COP at the end of 2012 in consultation with the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the COP and inform all in due time.

**26. Agenda item I Adoption of the Record of Recommendations/ Decisions of the Thirteenth meeting of the COP**

The Committee adopted the Record of Recommendations/ Decisions of the Thirteenth meeting of the COP as contained in **Doc. IJSG/CP(XII)/8**. The full report of the meeting will be circulated in due course by the Secretariat for information of Members, Associate Members and Observers in **Doc. IJSG/CP (XII)/9**.

