# Dr. Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University, Pusa, Samastipur, (Bihar)





Review Statement of the University, Compliance of Separate Audit Report along with updated delay Statement for the Year 2016-17 & 2017-18

#### Background

Dr. Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University, Pusa was earlier established as Rajendra Agricultural University on 3rd December, 1970 which was converted into the present Dr. Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University on 28th May, 2016 and Ordinance issued vide No. 2455 on 7th October, 2016. The statutory authorities of the University are the Board of Management, Research Council, Extension Education Council, Academic Council and Finance Committee.

#### **Achievements**

The University isproviding education in 5- disciplines at UG level, 18 disciplines at PG and 9-disciplines at Ph. D level with total annual intake capacity of 324. The University has awardeddegree to 73 students at UG level, 46 students at PG level and 6 at Ph. D level in the year 2016-17.

The major area of research has been focused to develop suitable end-use technologies to solve farmers' problems vis-à-vis agricultural production including animal husbandry and fisheries and foster research toenhance the productivity of agriculture, reduce the cost of production and increase production in a sustainable manner by innovative research, value addition of agriculture and allied products and to sustain the agriculture production under climate change scenario. In the year 2016-17, 37 AICRPs, 13 Central Government, 18 Bihar Government, 5 funded by other agencies, 30 universities funded and 5 foreign aided projects were in operation to develop crop varieties and technologies suitable for agro-ecological conditions of Bihar. In addition, 3 new university funded projects were also sanctioned by the university.

Under crop improvement Programme, about 5755 germplasms of different crops were maintained and evaluated by breeders. One Foxtail millet variety -Rajendra Kauni-1 and one Pigeon pea variety Arhar-1 were also released for state of Bihar. One Coriander variety Rajendra Dhania—1 was recommended by AICRP on Spices for release by CVRC at national level. Under crop production/Protection programme, a numbers of trials were conducted on Integrated nutrient management, weed management, pest and disease management of different crops under agro-ecological conditions of Bihar.

Due attention has been given to improve the soil fertility through soil health management with more emphasis on Soil Health Management in Maize Based Cropping sequence; Crop

rotation planning in Tal and Diara region for soil health management and Soil health conservation through direct seeded rice cultivation. The drive for enhancing pulse production has been launched by encouraging pulse seed production through farmer's cooperation; inter cropping of pulse crop in rabi and summer maize; intensification of pulse production research under rice—fallow system. To optimize the water use efficiency (More crop per drop), initiative has been taken up for evaluation of irrigation system based on underground pipelines; research on micro-irrigation system in sugarcane and pulse crops and automation of techniques for irrigation.

The University has developed adequate infra-structure and efficient system for transfer of technology among farmers. During the period, about 50388 practicing farmers, rural youths, and extension functionaries have been trained by KVKs along with different units of HQ on various aspects of agriculture by conducting 1375 training programmes, FLDs in 1316 ha area having 3430 participating farmers and about 54 OFTs.A mega KisanMela was organized at university headquarters at Pusa from 3rdto 5th December, 2016.

The university made tremendous progress in the field of seed production of major crops. During the year under report, the university produced about 10.02 quintals of certified, 3417.77 quintals of foundation and 2081.74 quintals of breeder seed of various crops along with 225.77 tonnes of Sugarcane breeder seed which provided a solid ground for seed production programme in the State and also supplied about 95042 number of planting materials.

In the year 16-17 a total of 176 research papers were published in research journals. Eighty five research papers were presented in seminars, symposia and conferences. Forty eight popular articles, 10 books, 9 Book chapters, 37 leaflets and 17 folders were published during the year.

The Audit of the Accounts of Dr. Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University, Pusa, Samastipur for the year 2016-17 was conducted by Accountant General(Audit), Patna during the month of February 2019 as per provisions of sub-section(2) of section (1)Dr. Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University, Act 2016. The final Audit Report was issued by Accountant Geneal (Audit), Patna vide letter no. (C)-SAR DRPCAU (2017-18)-343 dated 31/07/2019 in which four (4) observations were made. The compliance of these observations have been prepared and submitted to the concerned authority. Steps for avoiding recurrence of such lapses have also been taken. The Department of Agriculture Research & Education (DARE) released Rs. 82.00 Crore as Grant in Aid to the university which was utilized in total.

### Compliance of Separate Audit Report for the financial year 2016-17 received from CAG Audit, Patna on 31.7.2019

1.	The University has prepared only receipt and payment accounts and has not prepared the Balance sheet, Income & Expenditure along with schedules, significant Accounting policy , Notes to Accounts. The Annual Accounts of the Institute for the year 2016-17 is not prepared in the format prescribed by the MHRD.	This University was established by conversion from State Agriculture University (SAU). The financial statement during SAU days was being prepared as per format of State government. Thus in initial years, the statement was prepared as per earlier format. During audit by CAG, this infirmity was highlighted. In view of this, the financial statement for 2018-19 was prepared as per MHRD guidelines. This statement has been approved by Finance Committee and its audit by CAG is in progress.
2.	The University received Rs.49.60 lakh from different agency as a testing fee in the year 2016-17. However, University has not exhlibited this receiptin Receipt and payment accounts.	Necessary correction has been made in the Annual Account for the financial year 2018-19.
3.	Bank Reconsiliation with bank Statement has not been done.	Out of 42 units under the University, 25 units have completed their bank reconsillation. The bank reconcillation of rest of units of the University are in progress.
4.	Physical verification of fixed assets and inventory has not been conducted for the year 2016-17	The fixed assets register has been prepared and being maintained and reflected in the compliance report submitted to the audit of CAG.

#### Dr. Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University, Pusa, Bihar

#### Delay statement in laying of audited annual accounts for 2016-17 in Parliament

The Audited Annual Accounts for the year 2016-17 in respect of Dr. Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University, Bihar, Pusa, Samastipur was to be laid in both Houses of Parliament. But due to some reasons the same could not be submitted for the purpose in due time.

A statement showing delay in laying of audited Annual Account for the financial year 2016-17 in Parliament is given below:-

Approval of the Board of Management of the University for Audit of Annual	08/12/2017
Accounts by CAG of India.	
Submission of Annual Accounts to the Accountant Central (Audit), Patna.	14/02/2019
Receipt of Draft Audit Report from the Accountant General, Patna.	21/05/2019
Submission of Para wise comments on Draft Audit Report to Accountant	30/05/2019
General Patna.	
Receipt of final (Separate) Audit Report from Accountant General, Patna.	31/07/2019
Approval of the Board of Management of the audited Annual Accounts with	29/02/2020
Audit Report.	
Submission of Annual Accounts for the approval of Visitor.	-
Receipt of the Approval of Visitor.	-
Receipt of printed copies of Annual Accounts & Audit Report.	-
Submission of printed copies to DARE for laying them in Parliament.	-

#### Dr. Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University, Pusa, Bihar

#### Review of Dr. Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University, Pusa during the year 2017-18

#### Background

Dr. Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University, Pusa was established on 7<sup>th</sup> October 2016 after conversion of erstwhile Rajendra Agricultural University, Bihar, Pusa into a central University by the Official Gazette notification of the Government of India to provide for the establishment and incorporation of a university for the development of agriculture and for the advancement of learning and pursuit of research in agriculture and allied sciences and declared it to be an institution of national importance. The jurisdiction and responsibility of the University with respect to teaching, research and programmes of extension education at the university level, in the field of agriculture and allied subjects is extended to the whole country with special reference to the State of Bihar.

#### **Achievements**

The university is marching ahead with a mission to become an outstanding institution for teaching, research and extension in all disciplines of Agriculture and Allied branches that serves the farming community of the state as well as country and with the vision to improve the quality of education, research and extension by creating a sound, intellectual and hard working manpower in agriculture and allied fields at par with the national/ international institutes; to improve the nutritional standard and quality of life of the people through the promotion of sustainable development in agriculture sector and to provide an integrated outreach to meet the agricultural needs and to act as a link between the university scientists and farming community as well as allied industries.

The university is conducting under-graduate Programme in 06 disciplines, PG Programme in 19 disciplines and Ph.D. Programme in 09 disciplines in agriculture and allied fields. During the year 2017-18, a total of 285 students were admitted in various UG, PG and Ph. D programme of the University. The University has fully implemented 5<sup>th</sup>Deans committee Report in the UG programme. The university has initiated the up-gradation of hostel facilities, revival of placement unit having soft skill and wage employment development and up-gradation and automation of library facilities. There are 32 AICRPs, 03 international projects, 11 Govt. of India funded projects, a few Govt. of Bihar funded projects and also a large number of research projects through internal sources in the university. The university has developed the variety of **Sugarcane** (COP112 and

BO154), Pigeon Pea (Rajendra Arhar-1), Wheat (HD 2967), Aerobic Rice (RajendraNilam), Foxtail Millet (Small Millet)-Rajendra Kauni-1, Coriander entry RD 385 named as Rajendra Dhania-1 during 2017-18and recommended for release by the Research Council Meeting of the University.

The University is also making all efforts to develop technology as per the need of small and marginal farmers andtoaddressthe problems of challenged ecology. Development of Boat mounted solar pumping system for challenged ecology i.e. Dhab, Tal, Chaur; development of drum based irrigation system (LaghuSinchaiYantra) for marginal farmers, design and manufacturing of Soil turner, development of Women-friendly Maize Sheller, development of technologies compatible to socio-economic condition of small and marginal farmers viz. Mushroom, Solar refrigerated cart (Matsyabandhu), Cross bred goat, village level processing unit of Honey, Gur, Dal and Spices, etc. are some of the important mile stones during the year towards enhancing the economy of farming community. The scientists of the university earned 11 awards at National/International level during the year 2017-18.

The University has developed adequate infrastructure and efficient system such as Directorate Of Extension education, 11 KVKs, ATIC cell, Kisan call centre, Agromet advisory service etc for effective transfer of technology among farmers and other stake holders by conducting farmers training programme, On Farm Trials, Front Line Demonstration, KisanMela, KisanGosthi and publication of articles in newspaper and local magazine, Radio/TV talks and community radio station, mobile app based advisory service etc. In the year 2017-18 the university has conducted total 213 trainings for 59576 participants (including practicing farmers, rural youth and farm women),677 On Farm Trials and Front Line Demonstration in 7675.815 ha involving 124 farmers

The university has started the modernization of campus, academic activities infrastructure to provide ideal academic environment to the faculty and students. All the classroom of UG, PG and Ph.D. programme were converted into Smart Class room to improve the impact of Class room teaching. The university has taken uprenovation modernization of Flex House, electrification & beautification of campus roads, renovation of Academic complex, laboratory, class rooms, hostels and residential building.

Scientists of University have received 41 national/ International awards, published 187 research article, 5-books and 16 book chapters during the year. All the statutory bodies viz. Board of Studies, Academic Council, Research Council, Extension council and Board of management has been constituted.

The Audit of the Accounts of Dr. Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University, Pusa, Samastipur for the year 2017-18 was conducted by Accountant General(Audit), Patna during the month of February 2019 as per provisions of sub-section(2) of section (1)Dr. Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University, Act 2016. The final Audit Report was issued by Accountant Geneal(Audit), Patna vide letter no. (C)-SAR DRPCAU (2017-18)-343 dated 31/07/2019 in which six (6) observations were made. The compliance of these observations have been prepared and submitted to the concerned authority. Steps for avoiding recurrence of such lapses have also been taken. Suggestions mentioned in the audit report of CAG 2016-17 and 2017-18 has been properly followed from 2018-19 onwards because the audit of accounts of RPCAU, Pusa for the year 2016-17 and 2017-18 was conducted simultaneously in February, 2019. The Department of Agriculture Research & Education (DARE) released Rs. 82.00 Crore as Grant in Aid to the university which was utilized in total.

## Compliance of Separate Audit Report for the financial year 2017-18 received from CAG Audit, Patna on 31.7.2019

1.	As per the MHRD format of accounts, previous year amount had to show in the Annual Accounts including schedules. But, in contravention of the MHRD format of accounts, the University has not shown the previous year amount in the Annual Accunt 2017-18.	This University was established by conversion from State Agriculture University (SAU). The financial statement during SAU days was being prepared as per format of State government. Thus in initial years, the statement was prepared as per earlier format. During audit by CAG, this infirmity was highlighted. In view of this, the financial statement for 2018-19 was prepared as per MHRD guidelines. This statement has been approved by Finance Committee and its audit by CAG is in progress.
2.	University showed Rs.315.05 crore under the opening balance of fixed asset (Schedule-4) on 1.4.2017, but there was no any such detail recordswas found during audit.	Due correction made in concerned register and will be shown to the next audit.
3.	Bank Reconsiliation with bank Statement has not been done.	Out of 42 units under the University, 25 units have completed their bank reconsillation. The bank reconcillation frest of units of the University are in progress.
4.	Physical verification of fixed assets and inventory has not been conducted for the year 2017-18	The observation has been complied in the annual account for the F.Y.2018-19.
5.	The University has not reconciled the accounts Schedule of Fixed Assets with Assets /Stock register schedule.	The reconciliation has been done and the figure as pointed out under audit para -5 has also been corrected accordingly.
6.	The University has not reconciled the current accounts Schedule with closing balance of cash book register schedule.	The reconciliation has been done and the figure as pointed out under audit para -6 has also been corrected accordingly.

#### Delay statement in laying of audited annual accounts for 2017-18 in Parliament

The Audited Annual Accounts for the year 2017-18 in respect of Dr. Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University, Bihar, Pusa, Samastipur was to be laid in both Houses of Parliament. But due to some reasons the same could not be submitted for the purpose in due time.

A statement showing delay in laying of audited Annual Account for the financial year 2017-18 in Parliament is given below:-

Approval of the Board of Management of the University for Audit of Annual	25/01/2019
Accounts by CAG of India.	
Submission of Annual Accounts to the Accountant Central (Audit), Patna.	06/02/2019
Receipt of Draft Audit Report from the Accountant General, Patna.	22/05/2019
Submission of Para wise comments on Draft Audit Report to Accountant	07/06/2019
General Patna.	
Receipt of final (Separate) Audit Report from Accountant General, Patna.	31/07/2019
Approval of the Board of Management of the audited Annual Accounts	29/02/2020
with Audit Report.	
Submission of Annual Accounts for the approval of Visitor.	-
Receipt of the Approval of Visitor.	-
Receipt of printed copies of Annual Accounts & Audit Report.	-
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O. O. No 203/Dy. Regr./RPCAU

Pusa, the 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 2020

#### OFFICE-ORDER

Approval is hereby accorded by Board of Management in respect of separate Audit Report submitted by the Indian Audit & Accounts Department, Patna on the accounts of RPCAU, Pusa for the financial year 2016-17 and 2017-18 for laying on the table of both the Houses of the Parliament

This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

Dy. Registrar (Academic)

No. 1244 /Dy.Regr./RPCAU. the and March, 2020 Copy for information and necessary action to:

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