

**Government of Odisha**  
**Department of Agriculture & Farmers' Empowerment**  
**Directorate of Agriculture and Food Production,**  
**Krusha Bhawan, Odisha, Bhubaneswar**

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**NOTIFICATION**

A Landrace Varietal Release Committee (LVRC) on millets is formed for releasing the landraces as per the standard operating protocols for seed system. LVRC is hereby constituted with following members: -

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| 1.  | Principal Secretary, Department of Agriculture & Farmers Empowerment, Government of Odisha.  | Chairperson     |
| 2.  | Director of Agriculture & Food Production, Odisha  | Co- chairperson |
| 3.  | Director, OSSOPCA.   | Member          |
| 4.  | Managing Director, Odisha State Seed Corporation.  | Member          |
| 5.  | Joint Director of Agriculture, Farm & Seed, DA&FP, Odisha.                                   | Member          |
| 6.  | Joint Director of Agriculture, OMM, SPMU.  | Convenor        |
| 7.  | Seed Certification Officer, State Seed Testing Laboratory.                                   | Member          |
| 8.  | Dean Research Odisha University of Agriculture Technology.                                   | Member          |
| 9.  | Additional Director of Research (Seeds), Odisha University of Agriculture Technology (OUAT). | Member          |
| 10. | Director/Representative, ICAR-IIMR.  | Member          |
| 11. | Custodian Farmers/Farmers cultivating concerned germplasm<br>(2 Nos).                        | Member          |



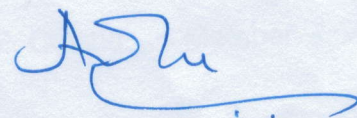


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| 12. | FPO Representative involved in seed production of concerned germplasm. | Member |
| 13. | Representative, Working Group on Seeds under OMM.                      | Member |
| 14. | Representative, NGO with expertise in millet germplasm.                | Member |

**Following are Terms of Reference (ToR) of LVRC on millets: -**

1. To advise the State Government on all matters relating to the mainstreaming of the Landraces on millets in the State.
2. To review the implementation of the Govt approved Standard Operating Procedure (SoP) on Landraces on millets in the State and to send periodic reports to the State Government.
3. To assess and release of landraces of millet crops for the State considering the different traits of the landraces and community/ farmers preference.
4. Guide on seed standards and monitoring as per approved proposal.
5. To review the assessment of landraces on millets, seed requirements especially of certified, foundation seed and plan for different regions of the state.
6. Any other functions may be assigned to it by State Government in connection with the implementation of Govt. approved SOP on Alternate Seed Systems for Landraces on millets.

By orders of the Governor



(Dr. Arabinda Kumar Padhee)

Principal Secretary,

Department of A & FE