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Secretary \ Ministry of Agriculture
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Attn: Officer In-Charge Foreign Trainings

Dear Sir \ Madam

2023 Asia Seed Industry Development Training Programme
From 22 October to 04 November 2023 in Republic of Korea

We are writing with reference to the Note Verbal No: KSR/144/2023, received by us from the Embassy of Republic of Korea in Sri Lanka on the above.

Accordingly, the Embassy of Republic of Korea has requested to the Government of Sri Lanka to submit nominations to above program to be held in Korea. A copy of the program details is enclosed for your reference.

We would highly appreciate, if you could instruct the relevant officials to circulate this programme among the Departments/ Divisions/ Institutes under your purview and submit nominations to the Department of External Resources (ERD) with the following documents on or before 16 June 2023.

1. Nomination Letter (from the relevant Ministry)
2. Country Report and a copy
3. A copy of the passport
4. Duly filled ERD Form (Available at ERD public website, www.erd.gov.lk)

Please note that only the duly completed applications received by ERD before 16 June 2023 with the line ministry covering letter and all other relevant documents as stipulated above can be processed.

Your early response in this regard is highly appreciated.

Yours faithfully

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Additional Director General
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2023 Asia Seed Industry Development Training Programme

October 22nd (Sun.) ~ November 4th (Sat.), 2023

Gimcheon, Republic of Korea

Korea Seed & Variety Service (KSVS)

Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (MAFRA), Republic of Korea

Programme Information

Part 1. Overview

- **Title:** 2023 Asia Seed Industry Development Training Program.
- **Duration:** October 22nd (Sun) ~ November 4th (Sat), 2023 (14 days).
 - The schedule is subject to change due to covid-19.
- **Venue :** Gimcheon, Republic of Korea.
- **Organizer :** Korea Seed & Variety Service(KSVS),
Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (MAFRA), Republic of Korea.
- **Participants:** 15 delegates from Asian countries.
 - Bangladesh(1), Cambodia(1), China(1), India(1), Indonesia(1), Kazakhstan(1), Kyrgyzstan(1), Laos(1), Malaysia(1), Pakistan(1), Philippines(1), Sri Lanka(1), Thailand(1), Uzbekistan(1) and Vietnam(1)
- **Qualification of participants**
 - Be nominated by the central / state government.
 - Has not participated in the same KSVS program in the past 3 years.
 - Be able to communicate in English.
 - Be in good health to undergo the course.
 - Work directly related to seed policy making, seed quality control or seed production.
 - High level of participation and commitment throughout the course and to promote capacity building for his/her organization after the completion of the program.
- **Language:** English.
- **Contents**
 - Lectures and practices: seed purity test & germination, genetic analysis for variety test, etc.
 - Presentation: Country Report and action plan by each participant.
 - Field trip: Korean traditional town, Seoul city tour etc.
- **Budget:** the government of Korea.
- **Closing date for application:** June 23rd (Fri)

Part 3. Preparation of Country Report

□ What is a Country Report

- A Country Report is a pre-assignment prepared and submitted by participants before the course starts. Participants investigate their own countries' current issues and challenges as well as circumstances surrounding them, and share the findings with other participants and Korean experts in an effort to provide solutions to the identified problems and issues for their own countries.

□ Guidelines for Country Report

- Every program participant is requested to prepare and submit their country report to the KSVS (Korea Seed & Variety Service) Training Manager via e-mail at lhjid@korea.kr by **September 15th, 2023.**
- Submit the report in **PPT (Microsoft Power Point)** format. The presentation should take no longer than 20 minutes, including Q&As.

□ Details of country report preparation

▪ Generals of the seed industry

- The seed industry landscape in the training country.
- Harvested area, production, and yield of major crops (vegetables, agricultural crops, etc.).
- Seed market growth status (import and export).
- Seed demand and the use of certified seeds of rice, etc.
- R&D centers and breeding trends of vegetable crops.
- National / international seed companies and their crops.

▪ Strategic policies

- Describe government policies or guidelines on the above subjects (short-term or long-term plans: goals, priorities, strategies, etc.)

Part 2. Tentative Schedule

| Date | Program | Place |
|---------------|---|----------|
| Oct. 22 (Sun) | Arrival and travel to Gimcheon | Gimcheon |
| Oct. 23 (Mon) | Opening ceremony / lectures/ welcome dinner | Gimcheon |
| Oct. 24 (Tue) | Lectures & practices | Gimcheon |
| Oct. 25 (Wed) | Presentation of Country Reports | Gimcheon |
| Oct. 26 (Thu) | Lectures | Gimcheon |
| Oct. 27 (Fri) | Lectures & practices | Gimcheon |
| Oct. 28 (Sat) | Field trip (Busan city tour) | Busan |
| Oct. 29 (Sun) | No official schedule | Gimcheon |
| Oct. 30 (Mon) | Field trip (visit to a breeding site) | Seoul |
| Oct. 31 (Tue) | Field trip (Seoul city tour) | Seoul |
| Nov. 1 (Wed) | Field trip (KSVS Chungnam branch) | Asan |
| Nov. 2 (Thu) | Lectures & practices | Gimcheon |
| Nov. 3 (Fri) | Presentation of Action Plan & Closing Ceremony | Gimcheon |
| Nov. 4 (Sat) | Departure | Incheon |

※ The above schedule may be subject to change. A detailed schedule will be provided on the first day of the program.

□ Weather & Clothes

| Month | Average temperature (°C) | Clothing |
|----------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| October | 14.0 | Long-sleeved shirt, autumn jacket |
| November | 9.6 | |

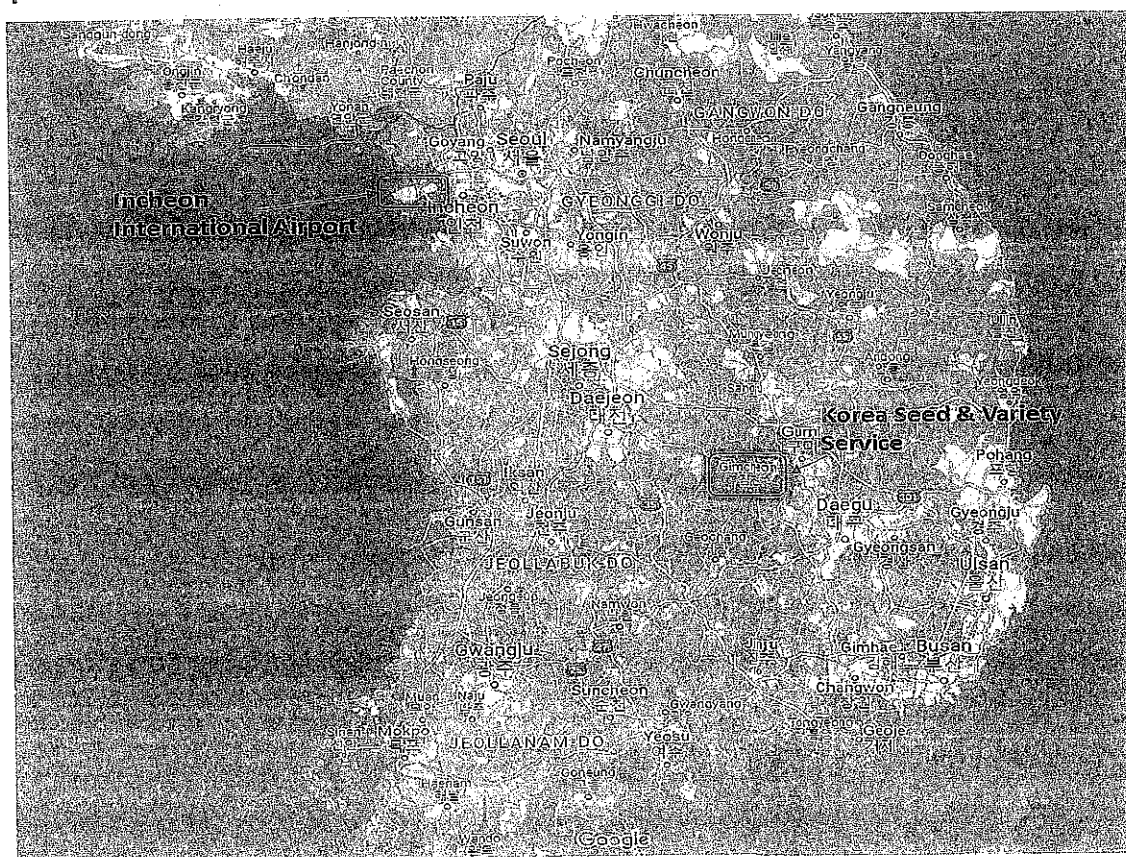
□ Certificate

- Participants who successfully complete the program will be awarded a certificate issued by KSVS.

□ Contact Information

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□ Map of South Korea



Part 4. Useful Information

□ Training Institution: Korea Seed & Variety Service (KSVS) (www.seed.go.kr)

The Korea Seed & Variety Service (KSVS) supplies high-quality certified seeds for the stable production of food crops, and has become a leading seed management & service organization working for the future of agriculture by promoting support projects to develop the seed industry, operating a plant variety protection system to protect the rights of new plant breeders, training specialists in the seed industry, managing the distribution of seeds and seedlings, and providing research on seed testing and services.

□ Regulations

- Participants should participate in the program to the best of their abilities
- Participants should refrain from engaging in political activities or any form of employment for profit or gain
- Participants must return to their home country upon the completion of the program and resume work in their country
- Participants should not extend their stay in Korea for personal convenience
- Participants are not permitted to change the flight schedule arranged by KSVS for personal convenience
- Participants should not be accompanied by any member of their family
- Participants are to assume the responsibility for any personal expenses, e.g. souvenir, gift etc.
- Participants are required to strictly follow the course schedule and abide by the rules and regulations stipulated by the Korean government (KSVS) in respect to the program.

□ Accommodation

▪ International Seed Training Center

- Participants will stay at the International Seed Training Center during the training which is located near the headquarters of KSVS in the city of Gimcheon.
- The building is a smoke-free environment.
- Electric Power: 220 volts (Participants need to bring a transformer for their appliances which do not operate on 220 volts.)
- Free access to wireless internet is provided in all rooms.