

MINUTES OF THE 300th MEETING OF THE REVIEW COMMITTEE ON GENETIC MANIPULATION (RCGM) HELD ON 26.12.2024 BY VIDEO CONFERENCING (GO TO MEETING)

The Chairman-RCGM extended a formal welcome to the members of the RCGM for the 300th meeting and initiated the process of the meeting. The list of participants is given at Annexure-I.

2. The Committee adopted the minutes and recommendations of the 299th meeting of the RCGM held on 11.12.2024.

3. On the action taken report, the Member-Secretary informed that during the 299th meeting of the RCGM, a total of 35 applications including information items were considered and the Secretariat is in the process of issuing requisite permit letters based on the recommendations of the RCGM.

4. Proposals considered

4.1 Applications in the area of Pharmaceuticals

The Committee considered the applications to import strains of *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*, pseudo viral constructs transgenic rat and mice brain tissues replication deficient pseudoviral particles; preclinical toxicity report of Daratumumab monoclonal antibody Biosimilar; to conduct preclinical toxicity studies on Trastuzumab as a combination with Hyaluronidase, Abatacept fusion protein Biosimilar, SARS-CoV-2 Multi-epitope Vaccine; request regarding the biocontainment requirement of Live attenuated Lumpy skin disease vaccine, Live attenuated Sheep Pox vaccine and Live attenuated Goat Pox vaccine, for the waiver of animal toxicity study of SC formulation of Vedolizumab. After deliberation on each application including information items, appropriate decisions were taken by the RCGM.

4.2 Applications in the area of Agriculture

The Committee considered the applications to import vials of bacterial swab of CRISPR-Cas *E. coli* vectors; revised Record of Post-harvest monitoring for ESTs of GE *Brassica juncea* lines; Inspection reports by CCC to monitor the ongoing BRL-I 1st year trial of GE cotton Event. After deliberation on each application including information items, appropriate decisions were taken by the RCGM.

5. IBSC Reports


The Committee considered minutes submitted by twenty-eight IBSCs, seven annual compliance reports and nil medical surveillance report, and appropriate decisions were taken by the RCGM.

6. Other items

The Committee deliberated on revised application recommended by the Inter-Ministerial Committee for Certification of BSL-3 facility; and reforms regarding introducing technology interface for monitoring of confined field trials of GE plants.

No other transaction took place, and the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair and members.

The Minutes are approved.

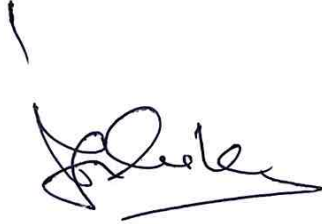

(Prof. Y.K. Gupta)
Chairman, RCGM

Annexure-I

List of Participants:		
1.	Prof. Y.K. Gupta, Former Professor, AIIMS, New Delhi and President AIIMS, Jammu	Chairman
2.	Dr. Ramesh Sonti, Director & Group Leader, Plant-microbe Interaction, International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology, New Delhi	Co-Chair (Agri)
3.	Dr. Arvind Sahu, Executive Director, Regional Centre for Biotechnology, Faridabad	Co-Chair (Biopharma)
4.	Dr. Nitin K. Jain, Scientist 'G' & Head, Regulation, DBT, New Delhi	Member-Secretary
5.	Dr. S. N. Sudhakara Babu, Former Head, Crop Production & Principal Scientist (Agronomy), ICAR-Indian Institute of Oil Seed Research, Hyderabad	Member
6.	Dr. Neelam S. Sangwan, Professor (Biochemistry), Central University of Haryana, Mahendergarh	Member
7.	Dr. R. Uma Shaankar, Senior Professor, IIT-Jammu, Jammu	Member
8.	Dr. Ritu Aggarwal, Professor, Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education & Research, Chandigarh	Member
9.	Dr. Asha Chaubey, Sr. Principal Scientist & Head of Fermentation Technology Division, CSIR-IIIM, Jammu	Member
10.	Dr. Viswanathan Chinnusamy, Joint Director (Research), ICAR-Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi, Nominee/Representative - ICAR	Member
11.	Dr. Rubina Bose, Deputy Drugs Controller (India), CDSCO, Nominee/Representative - CDSCO	Member
12.	Sh. Rajappan Viswanathan, Astd. Drugs Controller (India), CDSCO, Nominee/Representative - CDSCO	Member
13.	Dr. Dipti K. Thukral, Scientist-G, Science and Engineering Research Board (SERB), Department of Science and Technology, Government of India, Nominee/ Representatives- DST	Member
14.	Dr. Geeta Jotwani, Senior Deputy Director General & Scientist G-ICMR, Nominee/Representative - ICMR	Member
15.	Dr. Abhilasha Singh Mathuriya, Scientist D, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India, Nominee/Representative - MoEF&CC	Member
16.	Dr. Om Prakash Meena, Assistant Director, Ministry of Home Affairs, Nominee/Representative - Ministry of Home Affairs	Member
17.	Dr. K. C. Samal, Professor (Biotech) & Dean, College of Horticulture, Odisha University of Agriculture and Technology, Sambalpur, Representative - State Agricultural University	Special Invitee
18.	Dr. Parveen Chhuneja, Principal Molecular Geneticist, College of Agriculture, Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana, Representative - State Agricultural University	Special Invitee
19.	Dr. Amit P. Parikh, Scientist 'F', DBT, New Delhi	DBT officer
Biosafety Support Unit:		
20.	Dr. Govind Kumar Rai, Scientist & Coordinator	
21.	Dr. Poonam Vishwakarma, Scientist	



22.	Dr. Pranjali Vishwakarma, Scientist
23.	Dr. Shipra Shahi, Scientist
24.	Dr. Manpreet Kaur, Scientist
Others:	
25.	Mr. Jayachandra Ivaturi, M/s. Intas Pharmaceuticals Limited, Ahmadabad

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