



Agenda 05

Review of Activities

- HRD Activities
- Development Pilot Project
- Regional Offices

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Participation in HRD Activities:

- 2046 International Training Programmes
- 113 Capacity Building Programmes Under Additional Contribution by the Government of India to AARDO
- 18 Masters Degree Programme
- 83 Conference/Colloquium
- 39 Study Visit Programmes
- 531 Regional Level Workshops

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HRD Activities

International Training Programmes

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Achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs): Financial Inclusion and Rural Transformation, Bangladesh Academy for Rural Development (BARD), Cumilla, Bangladesh, 01-12 December 2024



The Programme was attended by twenty (20) participants from twelve (12) AARDO member countries.

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Land Policy for Rural Development – Net Zero and Sustainable Development (Advanced Course), International Centre for Land Policy Studies and Training (ICLPST), Taoyuan, Republic of China (Taiwan), 16 May – 13 June 2023



One participant from Jordan attended the training programme.

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Agriculture Policy Development – Net Zero and Sustainable Development (Advanced Course), International Centre for Land Policy Studies and Training (ICLPST), Taoyuan, Republic of China (Taiwan), 01-23 September 2023



Two participants from Iraq and Palestine attended the training programme

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Land Policy for Rural Development – Net Zero and Sustainable Development, International Centre for Land Policy Studies and Training (ICLPST), Taoyuan, Republic of China (Taiwan), 24 May – 21 June 2024



Three participants from Ghana, India and Malaysia attended the training programme

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Agriculture Policy Development – Net Zero and Sustainable Development, International Centre for Land Policy Studies and Training (ICLPST), Taoyuan, R O China (Taiwan), 27 September – 25 October 2024.



Three participants from Ghana, India and Kenya attended the training programme

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Workshop on Waste Management Taiwan International Cooperation Development Fund (ICDF), Republic of China (Taiwan), 07-20 June 2023



One participant from Jordan attended the Workshop

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Workshop on Green Supply Chains Taiwan International Cooperation Development Fund (ICDF), Republic of China (Taiwan), 28 June – 11 July 2023



Two participants from India and Malaysia attended the workshop.

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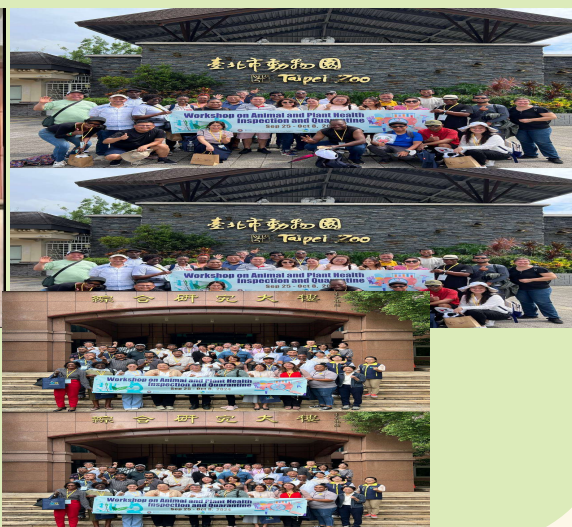
Workshop on Ecotourism Taiwan International Cooperation Development Fund (ICDF), Republic of China (Taiwan), 16–29 August 2023



Two participants from India and Jordan attended the workshop.

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Workshop on Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine Taiwan International Cooperation Development Fund (ICDF), Republic of China (Taiwan), 25 September to 08 October 2024



Two participants from India and Kenya attended the workshop

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Workshop on Carbon Trading, Taiwan International Cooperation Development Fund (ICDF), Republic of China (Taiwan), 16-29 October 2024



Two participants from India and Kenya attended the workshop

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Workshop on SME Digital Transformation Strategies Taiwan International Cooperation Development Fund (ICDF), Republic of China (Taiwan), 07-20 November 2024



One participant from Malaysia attended the workshop

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International Vegetable Training Course (IVTC) on Safe Vegetable Production, The World Vegetable Centre (WorldVeg), Southeast and South Asia Centre, Bangkok, Thailand, 13-24 November 2023



A total of eight (08) participants, from seven (07) member countries participated in the programme

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International Vegetable Training Course (IVTC) on Vegetable Breeding for the Tropics, The World Vegetable Centre (WorldVeg), Southeast and South Asia Regional Centre, Bangkok, Thailand, 20 October – 02 November 2024

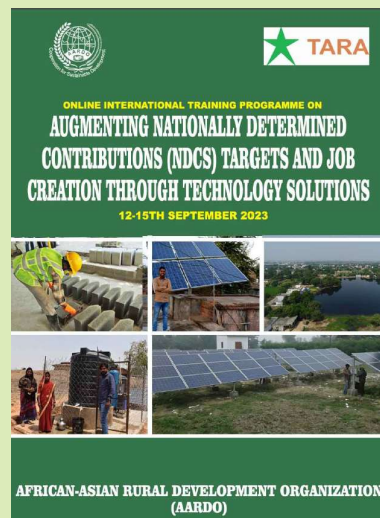
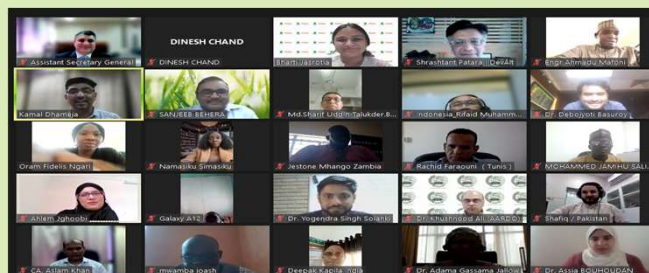


A total of ten (10) participants from eight (08) AARDO member countries participated in the programme

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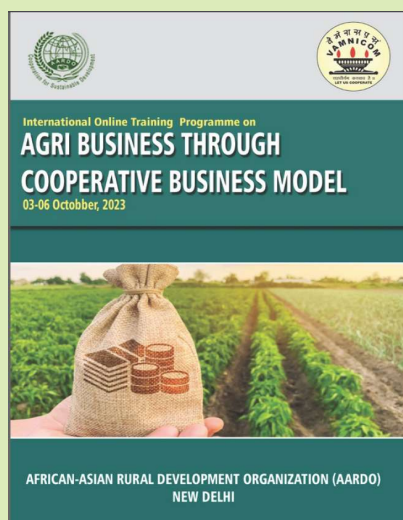
Augmenting Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) Targets and Job Creation Through Technology Solutions, Technology and Action for Rural Advancement (TARA), New Delhi, India, 12 – 15 September 2023 (Online)



Programme was attended by one hundred five (105) participants in relevant fields from twenty-four (24) countries.

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Agri-Business through Cooperative Business Model, Vaikunth Mehta National Institute of Cooperative Management (VAMNICOM), Pune, India, 03-06 October 2023 (Online)



A total of one hundred forty-three (143) participants from twenty-eight (28)

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International Training Programmes organized by Centre for International Cooperation and Training in Agricultural Banking (CICTAB) & Vaikunth Mehta National Institute of Co-operative Management (VAMNICOM), Pune, India

S.No.	Theme of the Programme	Duration	No. of Participants
1	Integrating Cooperative Institutions for Sustainable Development at the National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj (NIRD & PR), Hyderabad	13 - 16 Feb 2024	Ghana, Kenya, Mauritius and Zambia Total Participants=4
2	Dairy Development through Cooperative Business Model by the National Dairy Development Board (NDDB), Gujarat	26 - 28 Feb 2024	Ghana, Namibia and Zambia Total Participants=3
3	Women Empowerment through Income generating activities at National Institute of Bank Management (NIBM), Pune, Maharashtra	26 - 29 Feb 2024	Kenya, Mauritius, and Zambia Total Participants=3
4	Cooperative Governance for Women Board of Directors at the National Cooperative Union of India (NCUI), New Delhi.	05 - 09 Mar 2024	Ghana Total Participant =1
5	Role of Cooperative Institutions in Achieving Financial Inclusion at the National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj (NIRD & PR), Hyderabad	11 - 15 Mar 2024	Ghana, Kenya, Mauritius, and Namibia Total Participants=4
6	Women Empowerment through Micro-Finance at the National Institute of Bank Management (NIBM), Pune Maharashtra	12 - 15 Mar 2024	Gambia, Mauritius, Nigeria, Zambia and one AARDO official Total Participants = 4
7	Exposure Visit Programme on "Cooperative Business Model", Vaikunth Mehta National Institute of Co-operative Management (VAMNICOM), Pune	04 - 07 Jun 2024	Ghana, Kenya, Mauritius and Zambia Total Participants=4

A total of **23 participants** from **7 member countries**, including an AARDO official participated in the above programmes

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Design thinking for Sustainable Agriculture, Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur (IITK), India, 06-09 May 2024 (Online)



Smart practices in Sustainable Agriculture

- **IoT Sensors:** Deploy sensors to monitor various environmental parameters such as soil moisture, temperature, and humidity. These sensors will provide real-time data for decision-making.
- **AI-Powered Data Analysis:** Utilize AI algorithms to analyze the data collected from IoT sensors. This will enable predictive insights into crop health and growth.
- **Precision Farming:** Implement precision farming techniques, such as controlled environment agriculture and hydroponics, to maximize yield in limited spaces.
- **Agriculture Platforms:** Deploy a portable cultivation platform to grow crops on. This platform must be powered by green energy and is capable of operating off-grid as well.

Some Innovated Products



Attended by one hundred forty-nine (149) participants from twenty-six (26) Countries.

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Advancements in Agricultural and Food Engineering in India, Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur (IIT-KGP), India 10-13 June 2024 (Online)



Recent Advancement in Agricultural Machineries

Modern Agricultural Machinery



Opportunities in Aquaculture

It delves deeply into the three primary production systems that in my opinion bear the greatest potential for combined financial returns and improved environmental sustainability

1. On-land finfish recirculating aquaculture systems (RAS);
2. Offshore finfish aquaculture systems; and
3. Bivalve and seaweed aquaculture systems.



Attended by ninety-one (91) participants from twenty one (21) countries.

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Innovation in Water Resource Management and Its Challenges, Rajiv Gandhi National Ground Water Training and Research Institute (RGNGWTRI), Raipur, India, 22 - 25 July 2024 (Online)



A total of one hundred eleven (111) participants including renowned scientists from 20 AARDO member countries, and three (03) eligible member countries attended the programme

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Effective Policies, Programs and Schemes for Empowering Youth & Women in Establishing and Managing MSMEs, National Institute for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (Ni-MSME), Hyderabad, India, 29 July – 02 August 2024



A total of eleven (11) senior level Government officials, from eleven (11) member countries attended

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Advances in Camel Health, Production and Technology, ICAR- National Research Centre on Camel (NRCC), Bikaner, India 05 – 08 August 2024 (Online)



**Bikaner Camel Corps- a unit of Imperial Service
Troops from India that fought for the Allies in World War
I and World War II.**



A total of eighty-five (85) participants from eighteen (18) countries and one (1) from Associate Member attended the programme

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Ground and Surface Water Management Best Practices across Asia and Africa, Rajiv Gandhi National Ground Water Training and Research Institute (RGNGWT&RI), Raipur, India, 23 September – 4 October 2024



A total of five (05) participants from four (04) member countries, attended the programme

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Sustainable Development Goals with Special Emphasis on Goals 3, 5, 10 & 13, Jamia Hamdard University, New Delhi, India, 11-15 November 2024 (Online)



A total of two hundred (200) participants from twenty-eight (28) member countries, and one (01) International Organization, AOAD, Sudan attended the programme.

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A total of eleven (11) participants from eleven (11) AARDO member countries attended



**Coral Reef Preservation: Science, Management, and Action Course,
Middle East Regional Office of AARDO (MERO), Amman, Jordan,
07-09 November 2024 (Online)**



A total of one hundred forty (140) participants from twenty-six (26) AARDO member countries attended

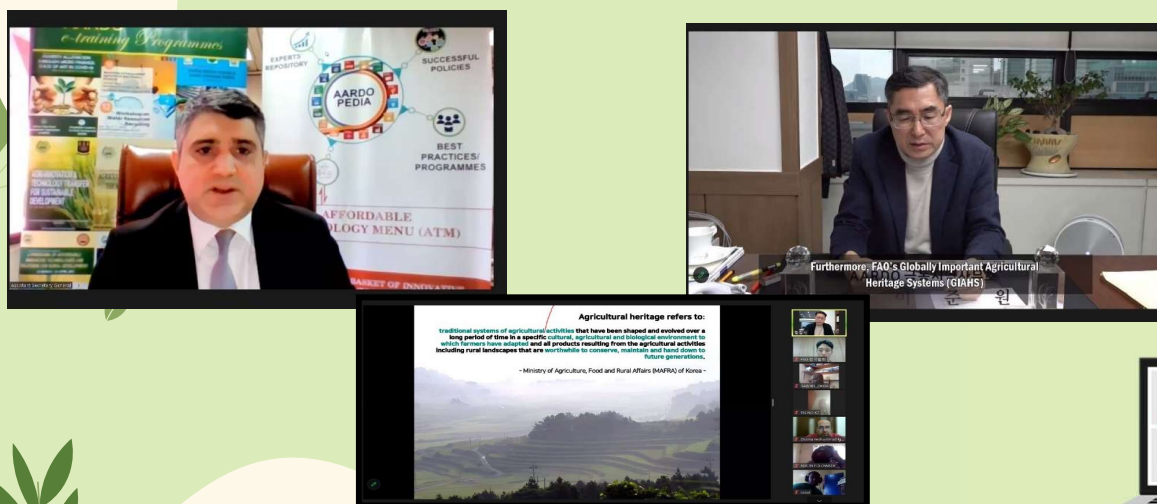
Innovative Policies, Programmes and Best Practices for Sustainable Rural Livelihood in Korea, Far East Regional Office of AARDO (FERO), R O Korea 03-09 September 2023



A total of twelve (12) participants from eight (08) member countries attended the specialized programme.

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Webinar on Agriculture and Fisheries Heritage System in Korea, Far East Regional Office of AARDO (FERO), R O Korea 13 December 2023



The programme was attended by one hundred five (105) participants from twenty-two (22) countries

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Agricultural Biotechnology for Food Security and Sustainable Future, Malaysian Agricultural Research and Development Institute (MARDI), Malaysia 24-28 July 2023 (Online)



A total of one hundred twenty-five (125) participants from nineteen (19) member countries attended

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Rural Transformation: The Malaysian Experience, Institute for Rural Advancement (INFRA), Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, 19-29 September 2023



A total of nineteen (19) participants from fifteen (15) member countries attended

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Horticulture Crops for Food Security, Malaysian Agricultural Research and Development Institute (MARDI), Malaysia, 09-13 October 2023 (Online)



A total of one hundred thirty-four (134) participants from twenty-six (26) countries

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Agricultural Nanotechnology: Catalyzing Food Security and Sustainability, Malaysian Agricultural Research and Development Institute (MARDI), Malaysia, 01 - 05 July 2024 (Online)



A total of one hundred eighty-four (184) experts and functionaries from twenty-two (22) member countries attended the programme

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Inclusive Rural and Regional Development in Malaysia, Institute for Rural Advancement (INFRA), Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia . . . 22 - 31 July 2024



A total of nineteen (19) participants from thirteen (13) AARDO member countries attended the programme

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Advancements in Food Technologies: Bridging Innovation with a Sustainable Future”, Malaysian Agricultural Research and Development Institute (MARDI), Malaysia, 25 - 29 November 2024 (Online)

Advancements in Food Technologies: Bridging Innovation with a Sustainable Future
25 - 29 November 2024

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DR. MANUJ NADHEEDINGH
SECRETARY-GENERAL AARDO

METHODOLOGY: SOLVENT CASTING

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LACTOSE INTOLERANCE

- Lactose intolerance is the most common problem limiting milk and dairy products consumption worldwide.
- Is defined as experience of gastrointestinal symptoms following the intake of lactose-containing food products.
- Individuals with lactose intolerance exhibit an inability to digest significant amounts of lactose due to deficiency of the intestinal lactase enzyme.

LACTOSE DEFICIENCY

- Lactase

LACTOSE MALDIGESTION

LACTOSE INTOLERANCE

SYMPTOMS

1. Abdominal pain
2. Abdominal bloating
3. Flatulence
4. Diarrhoea
5. Nausea
6. Headache

Lactase deficiency can lead to lactose malabsorption and intolerance

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YING DATY DR. HALI MOHAMMAD ZAKARI ABUL DHANI
DIRECTOR GENERAL, MALAYSIAN AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE (MARDI)

FERMENTED FOODS AND BEVERAGES MARKET
GLOBAL OPPORTUNITY ANALYSIS AND INDUSTRY FORECAST (2023-2030)

MARKET ESTIMATION

KEY FINDINGS

- 1. Fermented foods and beverages market is projected to grow at a CAGR of 6.3% from 2023 to 2030.
- 2. The market is driven by increasing health consciousness, rising disposable income, and growing awareness of probiotic benefits.
- 3. The market is segmented into fermented dairy, non-dairy, and alcoholic beverages.

BY REGION

APAC

AMER

EMEA

NAFTA

ROW

GLOBAL MARKET SIZE (USD Billion)

2023 1,001.58 Billion

2030 1,300.00 Billion

CAGR (2023-2030) 6.3%

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Attended by one hundred fifty-two (152) experts and functionaries from twenty-three (23) countries

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Irrigation System and Water Management, AHK National Centre of Rural Development (AHKNCRD), Islamabad, Pakistan, 27 February – 07 March 2024



A total of twenty (20) participants from ten (10) AARDO member countries attended the programme

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Social Safety Nets: Challenges and Opportunities, AHK National Centre for Rural Development (AHKNCRD), Islamabad, Pakistan 09-12 September 2024 (Online)



A total of two hundred and forty (240) participants from twenty-nine (29) countries attended the programme

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Climate Resilient Technologies for Sustainable Aquaculture Production in Developing Countries, School of Agriculture (SOA), University of Zambia (UNZA), Lusaka, Zambia, 20-24 June 2023



Attended by ten (10) participants, one each from ten (10) member countries

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Capacity Building Programmes under Additional Technical Contribution by Govt. of India

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Application of Nanotechnology in Plant Growth and Crop Protection for Sustainable Agriculture, Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur (IITK), Kanpur, India 10-19 November 2023



A total of ten (10) participants from nine (09) member countries attended



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Use of Poor-Quality Waters in Agriculture, ICAR-Central Soil Salinity Research Institute (CSSRI), Karnal, India 15 to 26 November 2023



A total of nine (09) participants from seven (07) member countries attended

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**Governance and Management of Cooperatives- Indian Experiences,
Vaikunth Mehta National Institute of Cooperative Management (VAMNICOM), Pune, India,
04-11 December 2023**



A total of twelve (12) participants from eleven (11) member countries and one (01) organization (ICA-AP) participated

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**Technologies for Enhancing Productivity and Profitability in the Agricultural Sector,
ICAR- Central Institute of Agricultural Engineering (CIAE), Bhopal, India
05-15 December 2023 (Offline)**



A total of eight (08) participants from eight (8) member countries attended

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Technological Advancements in Agricultural and Food Engineering Sector in India, Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur (IITKGP), India 10-19 December 2023 (Offline)



Ten (10) participants from nine (09) member countries attended



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Fisheries Management and Aquaculture, ICAR-Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFRI), Kochi, India 10-21 December 2023



Ten (10) participants from eight (08) AARDO member counties attended



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**Prosperity Through Cooperation,
Vaikunth Mehta National Institute of Cooperative Management (VAMNICOM), Pune, India,
08 – 17 September 2024**



Ten (10) participants from nine (09) AARDO member Countries attended



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**Green Technologies In Agri-Food Systems,
Indian Institute of Technology Delhi (IIT-D), Delhi, India
07-15 October 2024**



A total of Eleven (11) participants from nine (09) member countries attended



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Agricultural Engineering Technologies for Enhancing Productivity and Profitability in Agricultural Sector, ICAR-Central Institute for Agricultural Engineering (ICAR-CIAE), Bhopal, India, 15 to 24 October 2024



Ten (10) participants from nine (09) member countries attended



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Agriculture Practice Using Drones: Plan, Design, Build and Fly, Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur (IIT Kanpur), India 13- 23 November 2024



A total of Thirteen (13) participants from eleven (11) member countries attended

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**Emerging Trends in Agricultural Technologies,
Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur (IIT-KGP), India
17– 26 November 2024**



A total of Ten (10) participants from ten (10) member countries attended

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Long-Term Scholarship Programmes
(Bachelors, Masters and Doctorate Degrees)


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National Chung Hsing University (NCHU), Republic of China (Taiwan)



One participant from Kenya has received fully funded scholarship to pursue the Masters Degree Programme.

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Master's Degree Programme, Park Chung Hee School of Policy and Saemaul (PSPS), Yeungnam University, R O Korea



One participant from Ghana has received fully funded scholarship to pursue the Masters Programme for the period Mar 2024- Aug 2025.

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Post Graduate Diploma in 'Rural Development Management (PGDRDM)
National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj (NIRD&PR), Hyderabad, India
August 2024– July 2025



Four participants, one each from Bangladesh, Ghana, Mauritius and Sri Lanka are participating in the programme

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Masters of Science by Research
Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IITM), India
Jan 2024– Dec 2025



Three participants from Liberia and Namibia are participating in the programme

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Master' of Science by Research
Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur (IITKGP), India
July 2023–Jun 2025




Three participants from Kenya, Malawi, Syria are pursuing the programme

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M. Tech (Department of Sustainable Energy Engineering)
Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur (IITK), India
July 2023–Jun 2025



One participant from Ghana has received fully funded scholarship to pursue the programme.

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Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (IITB), India



One participant from Republic of China (Taiwan) has received partially funded scholarship to pursue 'Master'/PhD' in IIT-Bombay, for the period July 2023-Jun 2025.

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Shobhit Institute of Engineering & Technology (SIET), India



Following Candidates are undergoing the programmes:

- One participant from Yemen, for the period Sept 2023 to Aug 2027, for pursuing 'B.Tech. in Biomedical Engineering'
- Two participants from Burkina Faso, for the period Sept 2024 to Aug 2028 to pursue 'B.Tech. in Computer Science and Engineering';
- One participant from Ghana, for the period Sept 2024 to Aug 2026 to pursue M. Tech.

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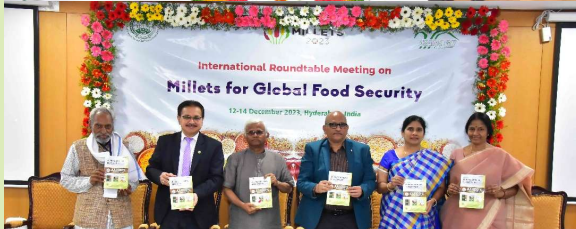
A Colloquium on “Millets for Health and Food Security & Degustation of Millets”, New Delhi, 24 August 2023



The programme was attended by fifty (50) delegates

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RoundTable Meeting on “Millets for Global Food Security”, National Institute of Agricultural Extension Management (MANAGE), Hyderabad, India 12-14 December 2023



Attended by thirty-three (33) participants from fourteen (14) AARDO member countries and 3 prospective countries

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Regional Workshops

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Workshop on Soilless Farming (Arabic language), Agricultural Research Centre (ARC), Egypt, 21 – 25 May 2023 (Online)



Attended by one hundred three (103) participants from eight (08) Arabic-speaking Countries

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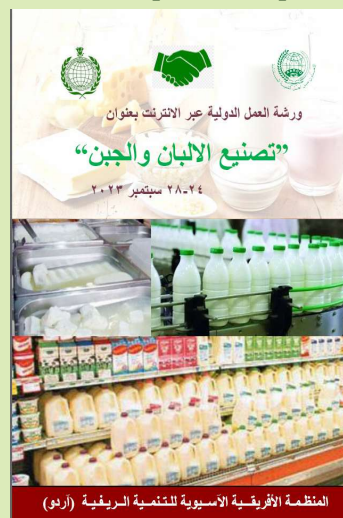
Workshop on Fruit Drying (Arabic language), Egyptian International Centre for Agriculture (EICA), Egypt, 04 – 08 June 2023 (Online)



A total of eighty eight (88) participants from nine (9) Arabic-speaking member countries attended

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Workshop on Dairy Processing and Cheese Making (Arabic language), Egyptian International Centre for Agriculture (EICA), Egypt, 24-28 September 2023 (Online)



A total of ninety four (94) participants from ten (10) Arabic-speaking member countries attended

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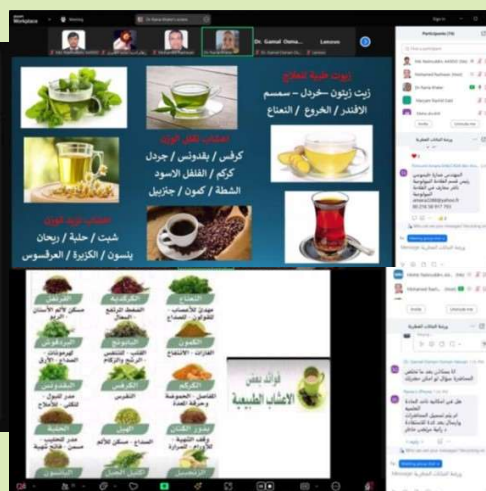
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Two (02) nominees from AARDO member countries attended the programme

A screenshot of a Zoom meeting grid with 20 participants arranged in a 4x5 grid. The participants are mostly men, some wearing traditional Islamic headwear (kumma and ghutra). The names of the participants are visible below their video feeds.

Dr. Ahmad Al-Sayid	Dr. Ahmad Al-Sayid	Dr. Ahmad Al-Sayid	Dr. Ahmad Al-Sayid	Dr. Ahmad Al-Sayid
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Eighty (80) participants from ten (10) AARDO Members countries, and two (02) participants from AOAD attended

**Desalinization of Water for Irrigation” (Arabic Language),
Egyptian Center of Excellence for Water Desalination Research,
Desert Research Center (DRC), Egypt,
16-19 September 2024 (Online)**




Ninety (90) participants from ten (10) AARDO Members countries, and one (1) eligible member country attended

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Study Visit Programmes

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Smart Agriculture Policies and Programmes of Republic of China (Taiwan), Govt of Republic of China (Taiwan) 11-17 June 2023



A total of fifteen (15) delegates from ten (10) AARDO member countries attended

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Setting Up of Mini-Fruit Processing Plants and Aquaculture/Shrimp Farming, (Mauritius to India), Govt of India, 09-16 July 2023



The study visit, attended by three senior delegates from Mauritius

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Study Visit Programme from Egypt to Malaysia, 03-09 September 2023



The programme was attended by a four-member high level delegation from Egypt.

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Freshwater Aquaculture/ Fish Farm Projects in India, Govt of India, 24 November 2023



Two (02) high level delegates attended the visit.

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Ministerial-Level Study Visit on Aquaculture Farming for Sustainable Food Security, Republic of China (Taiwan) 25-31 August 2024



A team of Five (05) high-ranking delegates from the Republic of Kenya attended.

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Innovative Agriculture Policies & Programmes for Food Security and Sustainable Agricultural Development Govt of Republic of China (Taiwan), 27 October – 02 November 2024



A team of ten (10) delegates from seven (07) AARDO members countries attended.

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Dissemination of Information

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Dissemination of Information



English

- E Newsletters (8 issues)
- AARDO Annual Report (04 issues)
- Report Of Executive Committee (02 issues)
- Technical Work Programme
- **African Asian Journal of Rural Development (3 issues)**
- Report of Liaison Committee (01 issue)
- Report of International Roundtable meeting on "Millets for Global Food Security".

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Dissemination of Information

Arabic

- E Newsletters (06 issues)
- AARDO Annual Report (02 issues)
- Report of Liaison Committee:79 Session

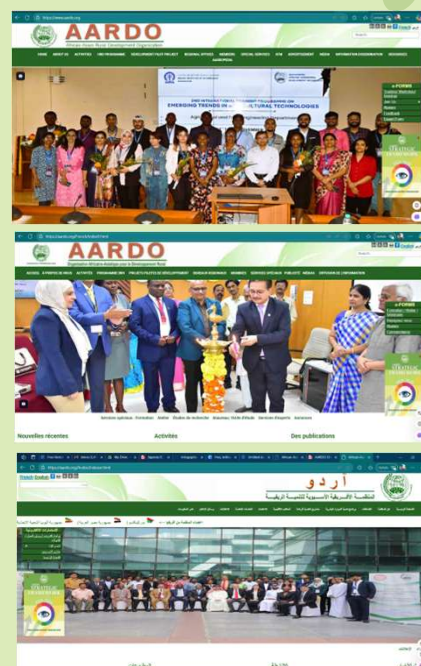
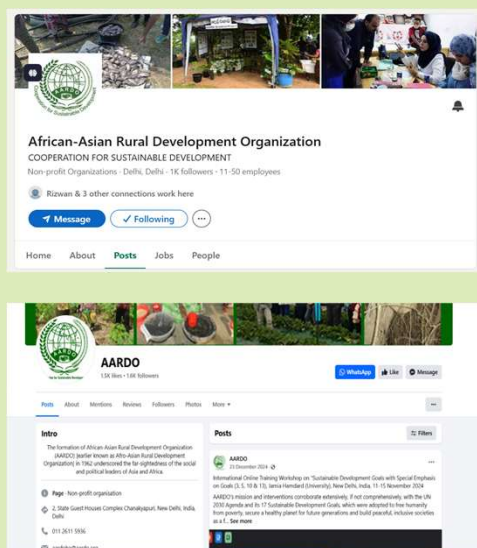
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- Report of Liaison Committee (03 issues)



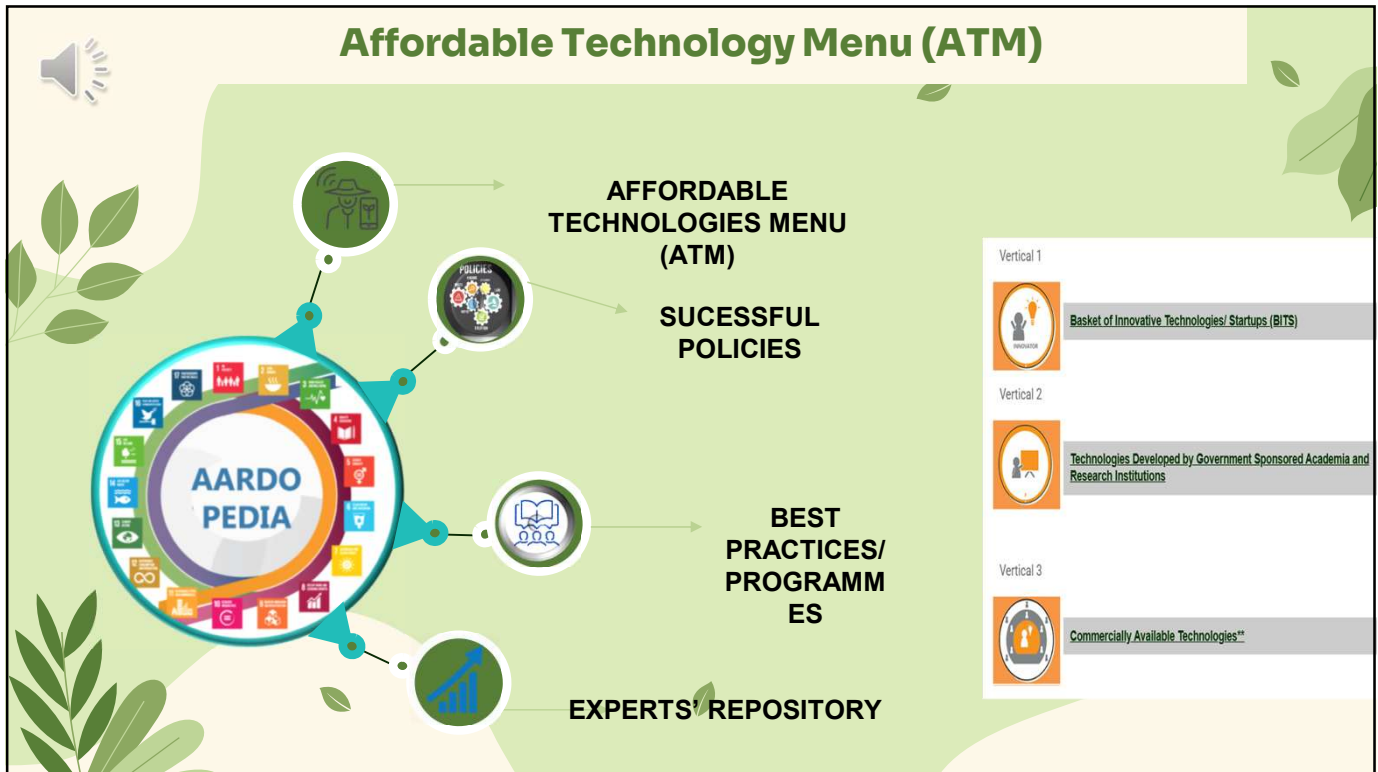
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AARDO Website and Social Media Pages



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“Capacity Building for Rural Youth in Income Generation and Rural Electrification”, Zambia



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Rural Women Empowerment Revolving Fund, Jordan



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Kafues Youth Resource Centre- Aquaculture Development in Zambia”, Zambia



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Implementation of Village Savings and Loans and Financial Literacy Project”, Sagnerigu Municipal Assembly, Northern Region of Ghana



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Regional Offices



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Regional Office for the North and Eastern Africa, Cairo, Egypt

- ▶ Coordinated with DRC, EICA and ARC and organized several online training and Workshops
- ▶ Attended Study Visit programme to Malaysia sponsored by AARDO;
- ▶ Pursued the Government of Egypt for hosting the 6th Session of the Technical Programme Committee of AARDO.
- ▶ Supported organization and attended Sixth Session of the Technical Programme Committee (TPC) of AARDO held at Cairo during 4 – 8 February 2024 and presented the report of the office
- ▶ Coordinated the visit and meeting of H E the Secretary General with President DRC.
- ▶ Participated in 2 program (Egyptian TV) to introduce the organization and its activities.
- ▶ Encouraged more participants from Egypt to attend AARDO activities, offline and online, workshops.



**MR. MOHAMED HASSAN
RASHWAN**
HONORARY REGIONAL
REPRESENTATIVE &
NATIONAL CORPORATION FOR
THE DEVELOPMENT OF
FAMILIES AND SOCIETY

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Regional Office of AARDO for West Africa, Accra, Ghana

- ▶ The Chief Director of the Ministry of Local Government, and Hon Regional Representative presented AARDO RuTAG technology equipment such as treadle pump, groundwater level measuring device and soil organic carbon detection kit to the Director for Agriculture, Gomaa West District Assembly.
- ▶ Organized meeting with Dean, School of Agriculture, University of Ghana to discuss the implementation of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed between the University of Ghana (UG) and AARDO.
- ▶ Facilitated participation from Ghana to attend different HRD programmes of AARDO.
- ▶ Organised Meeting with Liaison Officials/representatives of the member countries in the West Africa region and discussed the progress made in implementing activities.
- ▶ Attended the Sixth Session of the Technical Programme Committee of AARDO held at Cairo during 4-8 February 2024 and made a presentation about the activities of the Regional Office.
- ▶ The Hon. Regional Representative and Liaison Officer visited Nigeria, following a virtual meeting. During the visit, the delegation meet with the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development and the Director of the Department of Rural Development.
- ▶ Convened a session with Directors from all 17 departments of the Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development.
- ▶ Leveraging international organizations for new memberships



Mr. Divine Ayidzoe
Hon Regional Representative and
Director, Research, Statistics and
Information Management
Ministry of Local Government,
Decentralization and Rural
Development,

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Regional Office for Southern Africa, Lusaka, Zambia

- ▶ Coordinated the hosting of 76th Session of the Executive Committee of AARDO, during 19-24 June 2023.
- ▶ Liaised between AARDO and various Ministries and Institutions seeking nominees for various HRD programmes of AARDO..
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- ▶ Monitored the progress of the project "Kafues Youth Resource Centre-Aquaculture Development". Project is supported by AARDO and implemented by the Ministry.
- ▶ Five (Youth) Cooperatives and one (1) were formed; Two (2) cooperatives were linked to finance through the training programme in India Community Development Fund;
- ▶ One (1) club was linked to the Ministry of Agriculture for them to acquire farm inputs for vegetable production.



Ms. Mable Beene Nedziwe
Hon Regional Representative
Acting Director of Youth
Ministry of Youth, Sport and Arts,
Government of Republic of Zambia

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Regional Office for the Far East (FERO), Seoul, Republic of Korea

- ▶ FERO circulated thirty-five issues of its biweekly online magazine "Update on Korea's Agriculture";
- ▶ Published E- Newsletter and circulated through email;
- ▶ Facilitated participants to attend different international programmes of AARDO held in different countries or being organized in the Republic of Korea;
- ▶ Organized International Training Programme on 'Innovative Policies, Programmes and Best Practices for Sustainable Rural Livelihood in Korea' ;
- ▶ Organized webinar on "Agriculture and Fisheries Heritage System in Korea";
- ▶ Attended Sixth Session of the Technical Programme Committee (TPC) of AARDO;
- ▶ Coordinated the visit of the H.E. the Secretary General, AARDO to Republic of Korea;
- ▶ Honorary Representative of Regional Office of AARDO for Far East visited AARDO HQ;
- ▶ Organized FERO 50th Anniversary Academic Seminar.



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Regional Office for the Middle East, Amman, Jordan

- ▶ Liaised with the Ministry of Municipal Administration and Ministry of Agriculture to organize AARDO's international workshop on Achieving Sustainable Development Goals; Challenges and opportunities in African-Asian countries in Amman
- ▶ Attended Sixth Session of the Technical Programme Committee (TPC) of AARDO held at Cairo, Egypt and presented the report of the office.
- ▶ Coordinated an International Training Workshop on "Achieving Sustainable Development Goals - Challenges and Opportunities in African Asian Countries" organized by African Asian Rural Development Organization (AARDO) and Ministry of Local Administration/Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, during May 1-7, 2024 in Amman, Jordan.
- ▶ Monitored Productivity Enhancement Program for Rural Women in Deir Alla. This Programme is being supported under Revolving Fund supported by AARDO.
- ▶ Enhancing awareness of the African-Asian Rural Development Organization (AARDO) by organizing media briefings through various media (television, radio, news websites, official newspapers) and providing comprehensive information about the programs and activities the organization offers to its member countries.
- ▶ Collaboration with Local and International Entities Concerned with Rural and Local Development.
- ▶ Strengthening Relations with Stakeholders (Municipalities – Local Communities):
- ▶ Follow-up on Jordan's Nominations for Participation in AARDO's Technical Programs:
- ▶ Organization and Coordination of an Upcoming Online Training Workshop Titled "Coral Reef Conservation." and Online Training Workshop for Arabic-speaking member countries Titled "Basics of Beekeeping."



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Regional Office for South and Central Asia, Islamabad, Pakistan

- ▶ Attended 76th Session of the Executive Committee of AARDO.
- ▶ Organized a meeting with H.E. the Ambassador of the Republic of Kyrgyzstan to Islamabad and Headquarters and explained about AARDO, its activities and membership procedure etc.;
- ▶ Regional Office organized three (03) national policy seminars.
- ▶ Regional Representative attended AARDO sponsored study visit programme to Egypt.
- ▶ Regional Office in collaboration with NCRD organized International Training Workshop on 'Irrigation System and Water Management'.
- ▶ Regional Office attended Sixth Session of the TPC of AARDO held at Cairo in virtual mode and presented the action plan of the Regional Office.
- ▶ Received a delegation led by Programme Component Advisor, PLG-GIZ to explore the possibility of establishing a Local Government Training Institute Secretariat at Islamabad.
- ▶ Regional Office organized Online International Training Programme on "Social Safety Nets: Challenges and Opportunities"
- ▶ Facilitated participants from Pakistan to attend different international training programmes organized by AARDO.



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