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International Training Programme in Korea on "Strengthening International Agricultural Cooperation" Seoul, R O Korea, September 07-13, 2025

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Assalam o Alaikum,

It is stated that Akhtar Hameed Khan National Centre for Rural Development (AHKNCRD) as an Executive Department of Establishment Division, Islamabad, as well as apex capacity-building institution, has been working for the cause of rural development and poverty alleviation in the country since 1983. As the Link Institution from Pakistan to work with an Inter-Governmental Organization, African-Asian Rural Development Organization (AARDO) comprising of 34 members from Asia and Africa - NCRD has not only been hosting international programmes in collaboration with AARDO but also facilitating participation of deserving and relevant Pakistani candidates to attend AARDO-sponsored international capacity-building programmes hosted by its member countries.

It is stated that AARDO has invited nominations (Invitation Letter attached) from Pakistan to attend subject international training programme being hosted by Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (MAFRA) and Korea Agency of Education, Promotion and Information Service in Food, Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (EPIS), Government of the Republic of Korea, during September 07-13, 2025.

In this context, **NOMINATIONS** of candidates fulfilling the eligibility criteria as mentioned in the Office Memorandum attached with this email, are called to attend the subject international training programme.

The candidates are required to apply online through website (<https://aardo.org/aardotk.html>) as well as clearly scanned or printed copies of the duly filled and submitted online application forms, the official nomination letters and copy of Passport to Director General, NCRD, latest by **July 15, 2025**.

It is requested to furnish nominations as per stated procedure by the deadline preferably via emails or fax in wake of the paucity of available time.

Thank you.

Regards,

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Islamabad, 03rd July, 2025

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: International Training Programme in Korea on "Strengthening International Agricultural Cooperation" Seoul, R O Korea, September 07-13, 2025

The undersigned is directed to inform that the African Asian Rural Development Organization (AARDO), New Delhi, India is organizing subject international training programme in collaboration with the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (MAFRA) and Korea Agency of Education, Promotion and Information Service in Food, Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (EPIS), Government of the Republic of Korea, during September 07-13, 2025. AARDO has invited two nominations of most relevant officers/experts from Pakistan to attend the subject training programme.

2. Following is the detail of the scholarship inclusions as well as exclusions:

Sr. No.	Included (Borne by AARDO and INFRA)	Exclusions (to be borne by candidates' Nominating Agencies or Candidate)
1.	Programme Fee, Board & Lodging	Passport, visa fee, vaccination, airport taxes etc.
2.	Both ways Air Ticket by economy class (from capital city, i.e., Islamabad)	Travel, health insurance premium and
3.	Literature Course Materials	Telephone calls, laundry
4.	Study Visits during the programme	Medical expenses
5.	Local Travel (Airport Transfers)	Extra baggage allowances (above that provided by the Airline)
6.	Token Subsistence Allowance (USD 100; to cover 3-4 meals not included)	Any other expense after the event.

Objectives:

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Objectives of the training programme are to:

- Enhance the knowledge and technical capacity of participants from AARDO member countries in the field of digital agriculture and Korea's smart agriculture policies;
- Provide a comprehensive understanding of Korea's current status and future directions in agricultural digital technology development;
- Offer practical insights into the applications of digital technologies across the agricultural value chain, including production, processing, and distribution;
- Facilitate field visits to Korean smart farms and agricultural enterprises for firsthand exposure to advanced smart farming technologies; and,
- Enable participants to explore the adaptability and potential replication of Korean digital agricultural models in their respective countries.

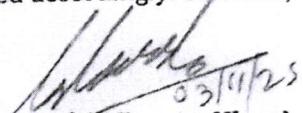
Eligibility Criteria:

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The candidate must:

- Be middle and senior level Government official working in the areas of policy, programme planner and implementers, responsible for rural/agricultural development programme;
- Minimum a bachelor's degree in the relevant Fields with considerable working experience in planning and executing the programmes related to subject of the programme;
- Must be subject specialist and related to the subject of the programme;
- Have proficiency in spoken and written English language as the medium of conducting the programmes will be English only;

- Be preferably below 55 years of age.
 - No participation in AARDO's offline programme over the last two years; and,
 - Be in good health both physically and mentally to undergo the course of training.
5. Only those nominations would be considered which are routed through proper channel as per given details:
- Federal Government employees through their concerned Ministries;
 - Provincial Government employees through their relevant Planning & Development Departments.
6. Interested candidates fulfilling the eligibility criteria are required to submit online applications on AARDO's website (<https://aardo.org/aardotk.html>). Nominations of the interested candidates consisting of the following may be sent to Director General, AHKNCRD, latest by July 15, 2025.
- Clearly scanned or printed copies of the duly filled and submitted online application forms,
 - Copy of valid passport; and,
 - The official nomination letter.
7. Advance copies of the approved nominations with copies of submitted application forms may preferably be emailed at ro2@ncrd.gov.pk as well as dg@ncrd.gov.pk, due to paucity of available time. The nominations may also be faxed at 051-9255157.
8. Incomplete/late nomination(s) will not be entertained. After scrutiny and approval of nomination(s) by the competent forum, the selected nominee(s) will be informed accordingly. Likewise, other necessary details will also be shared later on.


(Mubashir Zaman Khan)
Deputy Director (Training & Int'l Liaison)

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