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> Ref: 1) Minutes of 16th meeting of Agricultural Research Council of NAU, Navsari held on 05.12.2023. No. NAU/DR/T.1/6394/2023, dated-05/12/2023.

2) Minutes for the formulation of policies for the use of drone in agriculture held on December 04, 2023. No. NAU/DR/T.1/6388 /2023, dated-04/12/2023.

Policies for the use of Drones

Notification

It is hereby notified to all concerned that vide item no. 16.8 in the minutes of the 16th Meeting of the Agricultural Research Council of Navsari Agricultural University held on 05/12/2023, the council has resolved as under:

"It is resolved to accord approval of the below mentioned policy for the use of drones at NAU, Navsari".

The policies for the use of drone in agriculture

- 1. Other agency projects for the testing of chemical application through drone can be encouraged in all the colleges, research station and KVKs. However, they should be as per the guidelines of other agency projects.
- 2. During the study, maximum two parameters (e.g. toxicity and mortality) can also be taken.
- 3. The skilled labour for specific time period can be hired to complete the work instead of recruiting full time staff members. For the assistance and taking observations, any PG student, who has preferably completed the course work and is not getting any fellowship can also be engaged.
- 4. Such trials can also be taken at the progressive farmers field.
- 5. If recruitment of research fallow is not deemed necessory, the grant from the other agencies can be demanded by calculating all the other concerned expenses. However, it should not be less than 2.0 lakh only.

6. The availability of the pilot in time, their other assignments and weather conditions should be taken into consideration before using the drone for other agency projects.

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