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## Declaration of PIs and Co-PIs for New Plan Projects sanctioned by Govt. of Gujarat for the FY 2023-24, 2024-25, and 2025-26 – regarding procedural compliance for changes

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Based on the New Plan Proposals made by various Offices/ Departments of NAU and sanctioned by the Government of Gujarat during the financial years 2023-24, 2024-25 and 2025-26, a list of Principal Investigators (PIs) and Co-Principal Investigators (Co-PIs) for the mentioned schemes of the last three years at Navsari Agricultural University is hereby attached for information and reference. The concerned PIs and Co-PIs are **officially declared** as Officers responsible for the respective Projects.

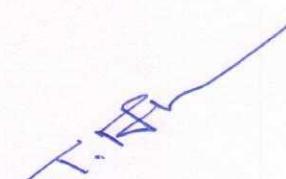
#### Instructions:

1. Any change in the names of the PI or Co-PIs **shall not be considered** without following the proper procedure and prior sanction of the undersigned.
2. In case, the designated PI or Co-PI has retired/joined elsewhere/has been transferred and the procedural formalities for reassignment have not been completed, such matter must be brought to the notice of this office at the earliest.
3. All such pending cases must be placed before the Planning and Evaluation Cell before the next Planning and Development Committee (PDC) meeting for necessary approval.

All Deans/Directors/Principal Investigators are requested to take due note of the above and ensure strict compliance.

For any clarification, contact the Planning and Evaluation Cell.

**Enclosure:** as above mentioned



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Sr. No.	B. H.	Name of the Scheme	Name of College/Unit	Location	Name of PI	Name of Co-PIs
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<b>Year 2023-24</b>						
1	12076	Area wide management of fruit fly through community approach using Nauroji Stonehouse fruit fly trap in South Gujarat	Entomology Dept., NMCA	Navsari	Dr. Sachin Patel	Dr. K. M. Patel Dr. C. U. Shinde
2	12081	Production of single eye bud settling for reducing cost of seed in sugarcane plantation	MSRS	Navsari	Dr. S. C. Mali	Dr. H. M. Viradia
3	12083	Replacement of summer rice with potentially economical and low water requiring crops	SWMRU	Navsari	Dr. S.L. Pawar	Dr. P. B. Patel (CC-PI) Er. B. M. Solia
4	12086	Floriculture mission for South Gujarat	ACH	Navsari	Dr. S. L. Chawla	Dr. M. A. Patel Dr. R. A. Gurjar
5	12087	Research in dragon fruit and possibility of dragon fruit in coastal area of Gujarat	ACH	Navsari	Dr. B.M. Tandel	Dr. V. K. Parmar Dr. H. M. Patel Dr. J. M. Mayani
6	12090	Strengthening economic impact assessment of agricultural technologies in South Gujarat	DRO	Navsari	Dr. A.R. Lathiya	Dr. Narendra Singh
7	12089	Strengthening of planning, monitoring and evaluation cell at Navsari	DRO	Navsari	Dr. A.R. Lathiya	Mr. P. V. Limbachiya
8	12093	Strengthening of bamboo resource centre	ACF	Navsari	Dr. J. G. Pathak	Dr. S. M. Patel Dr. Vipul Patel (CC-PI) Dr. A. A. Mehta Dr. A. A. Kazi
9	12084	Banana macro-propagation technique for production of low cost planting material	FRS	Gandevi	Dr. A.P. Patel	Dr. P. K. Modi Dr. K. D. Bisane
10	12082	Establishment of state of art essential oil extraction laboratory	Soil Science	Navsari	Dr. Sonal Tripathi	Dr Narendra Singh Dr. Dixita Chaudhari Dr. Jaimin R Naik
11	12099	Integrative centre for translational research to explore the worth of plant genetic resources of South Gujarat	CoF	Navsari	Dr. Vipulkumar Patel	Dr. K.G. Modha Dr. Sushil Singh Dr. Bimal Desai Dr. Kirti Bardhan
12	12077	Strengthening of High tech Omics Experimentation (HOME) facility at department of genetics and plant breeding, NAU, Navsari	GPB, NMCA	Navsari	Dr. K.G. Modha	Dr. R. K. Patel Dr. Vipul Patel



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13	12100	Conservation of large carnivores in Gujarat	ACF	Navsari	Dr. A.A. Kazi	Dr. D. Nayak
14	12088	Centre of Excellence for organic and natural farming	AC	Navsari	Dr. A. R. Kaswala	Dr. P.K. Dubey Dr. A. P. Italiya
15	12101	Development of apiforestry model for sustainable beekeeping through participatory approach in South Gujarat	ACF	Navsari	Dr. A. A. Mehta	Dr. L. K. Behera Dr. R. P. Gunaga Dr. J. J. Pastagiya
16	12078	Research on zero energy farm in South Gujarat	Engg. NMCA	Navsari	Dr. Manjushree Singh	Dr. Vipul Shinde
17	12079	Establishment of pesticide residue laboratory	FQTL NMCA	Navsari	Dr. Susheel Singh	Dr. K. G. Patel
18	12102	Establishment of Centre for Geospatial Research, Education and Training (GREAT)	CoF	Navsari	Dr. S. Viyol	Dr. D. P. Patel
19	12080	Establishment of phytochemical extraction and characterization laboratory	Agril Chem. Dept., NMCA	Navsari	Dr. Nilima Karmakar	Dr. K. G. Patel (CC-PI) Dr. V. J. Zinzala Dr. Sonal Tripathi
20	12085	Establishment of Seed Cell	Megaseed, Pulses	Navsari	Dr. D. A. Chauhan	Dr. R. S. Bhakta (CC-PI) Dr. B. K. Patel Mr. N. K. Kavad

**Year 2024-25**

1	12115	Establishment of department of plant molecular biology and biotechnology	NMCA	Navsari	Dr. A.V. Narwade	--
2	12116	Strengthening of ASPEE Shakilam Biotechnology Institute, NAU, Surat	ASBI	Surat	Dr. S. M Jha	--
3	12117	Strengthening Institute of Agribusiness Management	AABMI	Navsari	Dr. Ruchira Shukla	--
4	12114	Strengthening of IT centre at Navsari	Comptroller	Navsari	Mr. Chirag Naik	Dr. Bhavesh Chaudhari
5	12106	Biochar production and its application in natural, organic and inorganic farming to enhance soil carbon and crop production	SWRMU	Navsari	Dr. S.L. Pawar	Dr. A. P. Italiya (CC-PI) Er. B. M. Solia
6	12107	Development of climate resilient biofortified rice varieties through speed breeding	MRRC, SWRMU	Navsari	Dr. P. B. Patel	Dr. K. S. Mungra (CC-PI) Dr. V. A. Patil Dr. D. A. Patel



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7	12104	Enhancement of agricultural marketing opportunities for rural farmers through e-marketing platforms in South Gujarat	Economics Dept., NMCA	Navsari	Dr. Narendra Singh	Dr A.R. Lathiya
8	12112	Research on farmers expectations and readiness of digital interventions for agricultural produce marketing in South Gujarat	DRO	Navsari	Dr. A. R. Lathiya	Dr Gautam Parmar
9	12111	Bio-fortification in horticultural crops: a way to combat against malnutrition and food security	Fruit Science Dept., ACH	Navsari	Dr. Y. N. Tandel	Dr. B. M. Tandel Dr. N. K. Patel Dr. J. M. Mayani
10	12105	Enhancing productivity of millets through natural resource management interventions in South Gujarat	SWRMU	Navsari	Dr. P. B. Patel	Dr. S. L. Pawar (CC-PI) Dr. K. K. Patel
11	12113	Establishment of Centre of Excellence on agri nanobiotechnology	ASBI, Surat	Surat	Dr. S. M. Jha	Dr Vaibhav Mehta
12	12108	Research and development on plantation, spices, medicinal and aromatic crops	PSMA Dept., ACH	Navsari	Dr. V.K. Parmar	Dr. B. M. Tandel Dr. P. P. Bhalerao Dr Parag Pandit
13	12109	Research on mango & sapota under climate change	RHRS, ACH	Navsari	Dr. B. M. Tandel	Dr. Y. N. Tandel Dr S. Viyol Dr. C. V. Kapadia
14	12110	Strengthening research and sustainable development of vegetable crops	Vegetable Dept, ACH	Navsari	Dr. C. G. Intwala	Dr. A. I. Patel (CC-PI) Dr. N. K. Patel
15	12120	Strengthening of College of Agriculture at Waghai	CoA, Waghai	Waghai	Dr. A. P. Patel	--
16	12118	Strengthening of Horticulture Polytechnic, Paria	Horticulture Polytechnic, Paria	Paria	Dr. S.G. Gaikwad	Dr. S. S. Masaye (CC-PI) Dr. H. F. Patel (CC-PI) Dr. A. I. Makwana (CC-PI) Prof. C. M. Patel (CC-PI) Prof. A. J. Bhanderi (CC-PI)
17	12122	Establishment of energy park and impart training to farmers and small entrepreneurs in the field renewable energy engineering	CAET, Dediapada	Dediapada	Dr. Alok Singh	Er. Tilak Chavda



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18	12121	Strengthening of Agriculture Polytechnic, Waghai	CoA, Waghai	Waghai	Dr. A. P. Patel	--
19	12123	Development of climate-resilient high-yielding cucurbits varieties for South Gujarat	WRS, Bardoli	Bardoli	Dr. R. D. Vekariya	Mr. Amit Malaviya
<b>Year 2025-26</b>						
1	12128	Strengthening of IT centre at Navsari	Comptroller	Navsari	Mr. Chirag Naik	Dr. Bhavesh Chaudhari



  
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