Guidelines of JNAU - Private Seed Sector Research and Technology Consortium

- The name of the consortium is JNAU Private Seed Sector Research and Technology Consortium.
- Under this, various crop based consortium will function and initially this may cover the following crops:

Rice

Horticultural Crops

Pulses

Wheat

Millets

Maize

Oilseeds

- Seed companies willing to become a member of the consortium can pay a onetime consortium membership fee of @ Rs.1 lakh.
- This membership is valid for a maximum of 5 years.
- Member companies have access to the parent materials of JNAU released hybrid cultivars on payment of Rs 5 lakhs for each hybrid of one crop.
- Seed Company shall sign an agreement with JNAU agreeing to the prescribed terms and conditions.
- JNAU shall supply parental seeds i.e. seeds of female parents required to raise in 0.4 hectare of Hybrid Seed Production Block and seed materials of male parents required to raise in 0.2 ha. (2:1 ratio) immediately on receipt of license amount and signing of MOU and also A,B,R line seeds for their seed increase on 0.4 ha area for A x B & 0.2 ha for B and R lines depending upon the availability of seeds till expiry of the membership.
- For further requirement, JNAU will supply equal quantity of additional parental seed on payment of cost as per the existing JNAU procedure.
- Seed Company should not grant sub-license or transfer or permit to any other company.
- Member Seed companies can get the hybrid seeds of other hybrids subject to availability of hybrids on cost basis to test their performance in various desirable locations.
- Member Company shall not make resale or use the parent materials in any breeding programme without the permission of JNAU. If such permission is granted, it should be subjected to benefit sharing and IPR norms.
- Member Company shall be responsible for all liabilities for germination and quality of the seeds produced and marketed.
- Member Company shall get the seed certified from the competent authority, if required by fulfilling the legal obligations in accordance with the statutory provisions in force without any liability to JNAU.
- If any liability arises due to the quality of commercially marketed seed, Seed Company is fully responsible for it. However, for the quality of Breeder Seed of the parents, supplied by the university, it will be the responsibility of the university.
- JNAU shall offer technical services for hybrid seed production plot visits as per consultancy charges as per VV
- Member Company has to furnish feedback on quarterly basis on the popularization and spread of the hybrid
 and it should also be presented in the consortium meeting to be held twice in a year prior to Kharif and Rabi
 seasons at Jabalpur.

- Member Company should use JNAU nomenclature of the Crop Variety as in notification on all seed packets produced under MOU with JNAU.
- JNAU shall also coordinate multi-location trial of hybrids developed by the consortium members as per JNAU product testing consultancy rules.
- Consortium Advisory committee as proposed will be established after receipt of the consortium membership amount.
- Seed Companies willing to become the members of the above consortium are requested to send their consent letter along with the onetime consortium membership fee of @ Rs.1 lakh
- The membership fee may please be drawn as Demand draft drawn in favour of "BPD-JNAU Revolving Fund Account, payable at Jabalpur.
- Any dispute is subject to Jabalpur jurisdiction only