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STANDING COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL FOOD SECURITY AND RESEARCH

Islamabad the 15th March, 2021: 16th meeting of the Standing Committee on National Food Security and Research was held on 15th March, 2021, at 11.00 A.M in Committee Room of National Agricultural Research Center (NARC) Islamabad under the Chairmanship of Rao Muhammad Ajmal khan, MNA. The meeting of the committee commenced with the recitation of Holy Quran.

The committee examined the PSDP of M/O National Food Security & Research for the year 2021-22. The Chairman & members of the committee not satisfied the project shown in the brief present before the committee. The committee not passed the PSDP, and it will be presented in the next meeting of the committee which will be held on 25th march 2021.

The committee also examined the petition referred by Prime Minister's Public Affairs and Grievances Wing regarding technical supplementary grant of Rs. 806.585 million for PARC on account of employees related expenses of pension and commutation. The Chairman and Members of the committee recommended that M/O Finance release the fund for the retired employees of PARC.

Briefing by Food Department Punjab and Sindh on wheat procurement plan for the year 2021, some members of pointed out that the Food centre are very long distances. The committee recommended that Food Department should established six Food Centre in the Rajanpur. The Food Department views the last year we gave priority of Rajanpur.

The Food Department Government Sindh told that Sindh Cabinet has notified the support price of wheat for crop 2020=21 at Rs. 2000/ 40 kg.

Briefing giving by the representative of M/O of Industries & Production on fertilizer, the Chairman and Committee show deep concern over the increase of Urea and DAP.

The meeting was attended by Mr. Shaukat Ali, Rai Muhammad Murtaza Iqbal, Mian Muhammad Shafiq, Sardar Riaz Mehmood Khan Mazari, Dr. Nausheen Hamid, Ch. Muhammad Ashraf, Choudhry Faqir Ahmad, Ms. Shahnaz Saleem Malik, Syed Ayaz Ali shah Sherazi, Mr. Kamal Uddin, Minister for National Food Security & Research, Secretary M/O NFS&R and other officers of the Ministry and attached departments.

(MUSHTAQ AHMAD)
Secretary Committee