Annual Progress Report: 2017-18

1. Breeding

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1. Breeding Report

Executive summary

Basic and applied researches towards improvement of six small milletcrops(Finger millet, Foxtail millet, Kodo millet, Little millet, Barnyard millet and Proso millet) were taken up during the year 2017-18.

- Applied researches dealt with multi-location yield trials. Basic and strategic researches focused on various aspects including development of high yielding varieties of all six millets with tolerance to diseases and insectpests, etc.
- Zonal concept was adopted for evaluation of entries only in finger millet along with national, zonal check and local checks. Accordingly, North zone and Southern zones were formulated and continued in 2017-18.
- Total of nine multi-location yield trials of six millets were conducted across locations. Against total allocation of 121 trials, comprising six millet crops, to various centers all over India, 108 trials were conducted and the overall success was 89.26%. The percent success ranged from 80% in Proso millet to 100% in Barnyard millet.

I. Multi-location Trials

1. Finger millet Initial Varietal Trial- South zone

In this trial 25 entries along with four checks were evaluated, across 14 locations spread over seven finger millet growing states, for grain yield, fodder yield and other agronomic traits.

- The entry FMV 1117 was significantly superior with VL 352, GPU 45, PR 202 and on par with GPU 67. The
 entries FMV 1118 &FMV 1116 were significantly superior to VL 352 & GPU 45 but inferior to GPU 67. FMV
 1113 and FMV 1114 were significantly superior to VL 352.
- None of the entries gave superior fodder yield than the best check GPU 67, but the entry FMV 1130, FMV 1116 and FMV 1118 were significantly superior to all other checks.
- The entry FMV 1117 was superior by 24.81% over the check VL 352, 11.02% over the check GPU 45 and 4.55% over the check PR 202 in grain yield and on par with best check GPU 67. The entry FMV 1118 gave 24.42% & 10.12% more grain yield than VL 352 and GPU 45, respectively, but inferior to best check GPU 67. The entries FMV 1130 & FMV 1116 were on par with GPU 67 in fodder yield.

2. Finger millet Initial Varietal Trial- North zone

In this trial 25 entries along with four checks were evaluated across 10 locations spread over six finger millet growing states for grain yield, fodder yield and other agronomic traits.

- The entry FMV 1116 was ranked first in the trial and performed superior than best check GPU 67 for grain yield.
 FMV 1118 and FMV 1120 performed better among the entries but inferior to all the checks.
- The entry FMV 1119 was performed significantly superior than the best check GPU 67 for fodder yield in the trial. FMV 1116, FMV 1113, FMV 1118 and FMV 1112 were superior to the best check.
- The entry FMV 1116 was superior by 5.14% grain yield over the best check GPU 67 and 8.09% over the check PR 202, 7.04% over the check GPU 45 then 6.91% over the check VL 352. No other test entries performed superior than the any checks.

3. Finger millet Advanced Varietal Trial- Early & Medium (AVT I & II) duration: South zone

In this trial four entries and four checkswere evaluated across 15 centres spread over seven finger millet growing states for grain and fodder yield and other agronomic traits.

- None of the entries were significantly superior to the best check GPU 67 in grain yield. However, the entry FMV 1103 was significantly superior than the VL-352 and on par in grain yield with best check.
- None of the entries were significantly superior to the checks in fodder yield. The check PR 202 was the top
 yielder, followed by GPU 67. The entry FMV 1103 was on par with check GPU 67.
- All the test entries gave more than 10% grain yield than the check VL 352. FMV 1103 is on par with the best check and gave 23.24% more grain yield than VL 352.
- The varietal performance of finger millet varieties over three years of testing indicated that FMV1101 was 9.58% superior in grain yield over the best check, but it gave less fodder yield (-7.11) over the best check GPU 45. In two year performance of varieties, entry FMV1106 gave 4.18% more grain yield than the best check VL 352 but it gave less fodder yield than the best check GPU45.

4. Finger millet Advanced Varietal Trial- Early & Medium (AVT I & II) duration: North zone

In this trial four entries and four checks were evaluated across 10 centres spread over six finger millet growing states for grain and fodder yield and other agronomic traits.

- The entries FMV 1102 and FMV 1101 ranked first & second in the trial, respectively and significantly superior than best check VL 352. FMV 1106 was significantly superior to the checks GPU 45 & GPU 67 but inferior to VL 352.
- None of the test entries were significantly superior to the best check GPU 67 in fodder yield. However, FMV 1102 and FMV 1103 were on par with the best check.
- The entry FMV 1102 and FMV 1101 gave more than 20% grain yield than checks GPU 45, GPU 67 and PR 202 and more than 10% grain yield over check VL 352.

5. Foxtail millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial (FIAVT):

In this trial thirteen entries and two checks were evaluated across 20 centres spread over eleven Foxtail millet growing states for grain and fodder yield and other agronomic traits.

- The entry FXV 603was significantly superior to check SiA 326 in grain yield and on par with the best check SiA 3156. FXV 602 and FXV 611 were superior to check SiA 326 but inferior to best check SiA 3156.
- The entries FXV 603, ranked first in the trial for fodder yield, FXV 607 and FXV 612 were significantly superior in fodder yield than best check SiA 326.
- The entries FXV 603 and FXV 602 were superior by 6.95% & 4.0% over the check SiA 326 in grain yield, but inferior to check SiA 3156 by 1.4%& 4.62%, respectively. The entry FXV 603 was superior by 11.36% in fodder yield over the best check SiA 326. The entries FXV 607 and FXV 612 were superior over the best check by 9.01% and 8.65%, respectively.
- The varietal performance of foxtail millet entries over 3 and 2 years of testing indicated that none of the entries were superior over the checks. But the entry FXV601 gave more fodder yield of 3.39% over best check SiA326 over 3 years performance. Over 2 years performance the entry FXV603 gave 4.63% more fodder yield than the best check SiA 326.

6. Kodo millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial: Kharif2017

In this trial seven entries and three checks were evaluated across 11 centres spread over nineKodomillet growing states for grain and fodder yield and other agronomic traits.

- The entries KMV 542, KMV 545 and KMV 543 were top ranked in this trial and were significantly superior to all the checks in grain yield.
- The entries KMV 545 and KMV 542 were significantly superior in fodder yield over the best check TNAU 86. The entries KMV 542 and KMV 545 were significantly superior to best checks in grain yield and fodder yield.
- The entries KMV 542, KMV 545 and KMV 543 were significantly superior by more than 15% grain yield to best check RK 390-25.

The varietal performance of Kodo millet varieties over two years of testing indicated that two entries KMV542 (19.22%) and KMV543 (18.35%) gave more grain yield than the best check TNAU86. In fodder yield the entry KMV542 gave higher fodder yield of 12.29% over best check TNAU86 and KMV543 gave 1.55% increased fodder yield over best check.

7. Little millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial: Kharif2017

In this trial fifteen entries and three checks were evaluated across 18 centres spread over twelveLittlemillet growing states for grain and fodder yield and other agronomic traits.

- The entries LMV 513, LMV 512 and LMV 518 & LMV 514were superior in grain yield to all the checks.
- The entries LMV 513 and LMV 512 were gave more than 10% grain yield over checks JK 8 and BL 6 and gave more than 5 % over the best check OLM 203. All test entries were inferior to best check OLM 203 in fodder yield production. However, the entries LMV 517, LMV 516 and LMV 514 were superior to checks JK 8 and BL 6 for fodder yield production.
- The varietal performance of Little millet varieties over three years of testing indicated that the entry LMV511 gave higher yield of 2.55% over the best check and was on par with the check for fodder yield. In two years performance of varieties, LMV513 was 8.33% superior in grain yield over the best check and LMV512 gave 4.3% more grain yield than best check. But both the entries LMV512 and LMV513 gave less fodder yield than the best check.

8. Barnyard millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial: Kharif 2017

In this trial six entries and two checks were evaluated across 13 centres spread over seven Barnyard millet growing states for grain and fodder yield and other agronomic traits.

- The entry BMV 581 was ranked first in the trial and significantly superior in grain yield over the check best check VL 207. The entries BMV 582 and BMV 586 were superior to check VL 172 but inferior to best check VL 207
- The entries BMV 584, BMV 582, BMV 583 and BMV 586 were significantly superior for fodder yield to the best check VL 207. The entry BMV 581 was superior in grain yield to the best check and on par with the best check for fodder yield.
- The entry BMV 581 was superior for grain yield by 14.34% over the check VL 172 and 10.13% over the check VL 207 but inferior in fodder yield by 2.19% over the best check. More than 15% fodder yield over the best check was recorded by the entries, BMV 584and BMV 582.
- The varietal performance of Barnyard millet varieties over three years of testing indicated that the entry BMV 581 gave higher yield of 8.36% over the best check and was on par with the check for fodder yield. In two years performance of varieties, BMV 582 was on par with the best check in grain yield and superior by 16.98% in fodder yield over best check.

9. Proso millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial: Kharif2017

In this trial four entries and three checks were evaluated across ten centres spread over seven proso millet growing states for grain and fodder yield and other agronomic traits.

- The entry PMV 444 is superior to all the checks in grain yield. PMV 441 and PMV 442 were on par with the best check TNAU 164. The entries PMV 444 was superior by 14.51% over the check TNAU 151, 6.96% over the check GPUP 21 for grain yield.
- The entries PMV 441 gave more fodderyield than all the entries and on par with the best check TNAU 164.PMV 441 is on par with best checks in grain yield and fodder yield.
- The varietal performance of Proso millet varieties over two years of testing indicated that the entry PMV 441 gave higher yield of 5.57% over the check and superior by 3.01% in fodder yield over best check. PMV 442 gave more grain yield than check but inferior to check in fodder yield than check.

II. Sharing of breeding materials:

Breeding materials were shared among centres in all the crops and during this year, Breeding materials of 29 crosses (parents and segregating materials) contributed from 6 centres were shared among 10 centres. The centers namely Waghai, Bengaluru and Berhampur have utilized the shared materials for crop improvement and selections have been made.

III. DUS testing in small millets:

During the *Kharif 2017*, DUS characterization has been done for Finger millet, Foxtail millet, Kodo millet and little millet lines at two locations, viz. Project Coordinating Unit, Bengaluru (Nodal centre) and Centre of Excellence, TNAU, Athiyandal (Co-Nodal centre). A number of testing entries in Finger millet and foxtail millet in replicated trials and DUS lines of Kodo millet and little millet were characterized for DUS traits along with reference varietal sets as per the DUS guidelines prescribed for each crop by PPV&FRA

IV. Genetic resources

Project Coordinating Unit of All India Coordinated Project on Small Millets, Bengaluru is also National Active Germplasm Site (NAGS). Its main function is to collect, evaluate, conserve and supply germplasm accessions to needy scientists from different centres. The project Coordinating Unit has maintained 4450, 1413, 966, 1003, 611, 1750 and 28 of finger millet, Kodo millet, barnyard millet, little millet, Proso millet, foxtail millet and browntop millet accessions, respectively. Till now, about 275 accessions of different millets have been supplied to needy researchers.

V. Nucleus and Breeder seed production

During the year, the indent of 33.25 quintals of breeder seed was made by DAC, Government of India for all the six crops of small millets. Against the indent, breeder seed allocation of 58.10q was made for production across 12 centres in 9 states. Accordingly, the total production of breeder seed was 67.13q and it is 201.89 % more than the allocation. A surplus breeder seed of 33.88q has been produced. Many centres produced not only the targeted quantity of breeder seed, but also produced breeder seeds of non-allotted varieties in addition

From *Kharif 2017*, the allocation for production of nucleus seed of 6 small millet crops was made in BSP-I to various centres for production along with breeder seed allocation. A total of 448.0 kgs of nucleus seed of varieties of 85 varieties of 6 crops of small millets (finger millet-48, kodo millet-17, 7 each of foxtail millet and little millet, and 3 each of barnyard millet and proso millet) were produced by 17 centres. The varieties included the old and newly released by centres over the years

Detailed report

During 2017-18, both basic and applied researches towards improvement of six small millet crops namely Finger millet, Foxtail millet, Kodo millet, Little millet, Barnyard millet and Proso millet were taken up. Applied researches dealt with multi-location yield trials of finished or near finished products (varieties) from the centers of All India Coordinated Research Project on Small Millets (AICRP-SM). Basic and strategic researches focused on various aspects including development of high yielding varieties of six millets with tolerance to diseases and insect-pests, etc.

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I. Multi-location trials

During the year 2017-18, total of nine multi-location yield trials of six millets were conducted across locations. The number of entries and checks, locations and states covered are as below.

S. No.	Name of trial	No. of entries	Checks	No. of locations	No. of states covered
1	Finger millet Initial Varietal Trial –South Zone (FM-IVT -SZ)	25	4	14	7
2	Finger millet Initial Varietal Trial –North Zone (FM-IVT-NZ)	25	4	10	6
3	Finger millet Advanced Varietal Trial –South Zone (FM-AVT I & II –SZ)	4	4	15	7
4	Finger millet Advanced Varietal Trial –North Zone (FM-AVT I & II-NZ)	11	4	10	6
5	Foxtail millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial (FIAVT)	13	2	20	11
6	Kodo millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial (KIAVT)	7	3	11	9
7	Little millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial (LIAVT)	15	3	18	12
8	Barnyard millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial (BIAVT)	6	2	13	7
9	Proso millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial (PIAVT)	4	3	10	7

Against total allocation of 121 trials, comprising six millet crops, to various centers all over India, 108 trials were conducted and the overall success was 89.26%. The percent success ranged from 80% in Proso millet to 100% in Barnyard millet. The numbers of trials assigned and conducted in six different millets across the country are as follows;

Trials assigned, conducted and percent success

SI. No.	Crop	Trial assigned	Trial conducted	% Success
1	Finger millet	49	45	91.83
2	Foxtail millet	20	18	90.00
3	Kodo millet	11	9	81.81
4	Little millet	18	15	83.33
5	Barnyard millet	13	13	100.00
6 Proso millet		10	8	80.00
	Total	121	108	89.26

1. Finger millet Initial Varietal Trial- South zone

In this trial 25 entries along with four checks (GPU 45, VL 352, GPU 67, and PR 202) were evaluated across 14 locations spread over seven finger millet growing states for grain yield, fodder yield and other agronomic traits (Table 1, 1a, 1b and Tables 1.1 to 1.8).

• Days to 50% flowering and maturity: The entries took 67 to 92 days to 50% flowering and 106 to 125 days to maturity. The entry FMV 1128 flowered and matured earlier than all other entries and checks.

- Plant Height: The plant Height ranged from 80cm to 113cm.
- Grain yield: The entry FMV 1117 (3075 kg/ha) was significantly superior with VL 352 (2312 kg/ha), GPU 45 (2736 kg/ha), PR 202 (2935 kg/ha)and on par with GPU 67 (3059 kg/ha). The entries FMV 1118 (3044 kg/ha) and FMV 1116 (3025 kg/ha) were significantly superior to VL 352 and GPU 45 but inferior to GPU 67. FMV 1113 (2999 kg/ha) and FMV 1114 (2897 kg/ha) were significantly superior to VL 352.
- Fodder yield: None of the entries gave superior fodder yield than the best check GPU 67 (8385 kg/ha), but the entry FMV 1130 (8216 kg/ha), FMV 1116 (8200 kg/ha) and FMV 1118 (8121 kg/ha) were significantly superior to all other checks.

Remarks: The entry FMV 1117 and FMV 1118 were performed better for grain and fodder yields.

Table 1: Summary Performance of varieties in Finger millet Initial Varietal Trial in South Zone: Kharif 2017

S. No.	Entries	Grain yield (kg/ha		Fodder yield (kg/ha)		Days to 50 % Flowering	Days to Maturity	Plant height (cm)	No. of Productive tillers	Main ear length (cm)	No. of Fingers /ear
		Average	R	Average	R	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average
1	FMV 1112	2402	22	7378	14	87	121	109	4	8	8
2	FMV 1113	2999	5	7378	15	83	117	104	4	7	7
3	FMV 1114	2897	7	6765	22	74	110	96	4	7	7
4	FMV 1115	2865	8	7126	20	77	112	103	4	7	6
5	FMV 1116	3025	4	8200	3	81	116	103	4	7	7
6	FMV 1117	3075	1	7843	7	81	116	100	4	7	7
7	FMV 1118	3044	3	8121	4	81	117	106	4	8	7
8	FMV 1119	2569	16	7255	17	74	111	94	4	6	5
9	FMV 1120	2700	13	7182	19	78	112	98	4	7	7
10	FMV 1121	2479	20	7205	18	83	118	105	4	8	6
11	FMV 1122	1773	29	5672	29	76	111	80	3	6	7
12	FMV 1123	2373	23	6088	28	77	112	99	4	7	7
13	FMV 1124	2308	26	6743	23	84	119	102	4	7	7
14	FMV 1125	1931	27	6379	26	86	121	105	4	8	6
15	FMV 1126	2778	11	7572	11	79	115	103	4	7	6
16	FMV 1127	2674	14	7291	16	81	115	103	4	8	6
17	FMV 1128	1761	30	4930	30	67	106	81	3	6	6
18	FMV 1129	2558	17	7434	13	78	113	107	4	7	8
19	FMV 1130	2549	18	8216	2	81	116	101	4	9	7
20	FMV 1131	2826	9	8066	5	86	123	113	4	7	6
21	FMV 1132	2493	19	6524	25	80	116	101	4	8	8
22	FMV 1133	2451	21	7834	8	85	119	104	3	8	6
23	FMV 1134	1921	28	6238	27	80	115	95	4	7	6
24	FMV 1135	2651	15	7711	10	85	119	103	3	7	6
25	FMV 1136	2326	24	7010	21	92	125	100	3	6	7
26	GPU 45 (Check)	2736	12	7717	9	77	113	100	3	7	6
27	VL 352 (Check)	2312	25	6558	24	72	108	95	3	6	7

28	GPU 67 (Check)	3059	2	8385	1	84	120	95	3	6	7
29	PR 202 (Check)	2935	6	7898	6	80	117	102	4	6	6
30	Local	2815	10	7498	12	82	120	104	4	8	7
	Zonal mean	2576		7207		80	116	100	4	7	7
	C.D. (5%)	442		1282		4	5	5	1	1	1
	C.D. (1%)	582		1689		6	7	7	1	1	1
	C.V. (%)	20.17		17.8		6.83	5.14	6.61	18.4	10.68	13.66
	P-value	0		0		0	0	0	0.013	0	0

Comparative performance of entries: The entry FMV 1117 was superior by 24.81% over the check VL 352, 11.02% over the check GPU 45 and 4.55% over the check PR 202 in grain yield and on par with best check GPU 67. The entry FMV 1118 gave 24.42% and 10.12% more grain yield than VL 352 and GPU 45, respectively, but inferior to best check GPU 67. No entries produce significantly higher fodder yield than best check GPU 67. However, the entries FMV 1130andFMV 1116 were on par with GPU 67.

Table 1a: Comparative performance of entries in finger millet Initial varietal trial: South Zone

S. No.	Entries	Mean Grain yield	0'		e/decrease for grain yiel	Fodder yield	% Increase /decrease over	Days to maturity	
NO.		(kg/ha)	GPU 45	VL 352	GPU 67	PR 202	(kg/ha)	best check (GPU 67)	maturity
1	FMV 1112	2402	-13.91	3.75	-27.35	-22.19	7378	-13.65	121
2	FMV 1113	2999	8.77	22.91	-2.00	2.13	7378	-13.65	117
3	FMV 1114	2897	5.56	20.19	-5.59	-1.31	6765	-23.95	110
4	FMV 1115	2865	4.50	19.30	-6.77	-2.44	7126	-17.67	112
5	FMV 1116	3025	9.55	23.57	-1.12	2.98	8200	-2.26	116
6	FMV 1117	3075	11.02	24.81	0.52	4.55	7843	-6.91	116
7	FMV 1118	3044	10.12	24.05	-0.49	3.58	8121	-3.25	117
8	FMV 1119	2569	-6.50	10.00	-19.07	-14.25	7255	-15.58	111
9	FMV 1120	2700	-1.33	14.37	-13.30	-8.70	7182	-16.75	112
10	FMV 1121	2479	-10.37	6.74	-23.40	-18.39	7205	-16.38	118
11	FMV 1122	1773	-54.31	-30.40	-72.53	-65.54	5672	-47.83	111
12	FMV 1123	2373	-15.30	2.57	-28.91	-23.68	6088	-37.73	112
13	FMV 1124	2308	-18.54	-0.17	-32.54	-27.17	6743	-24.35	119
14	FMV 1125	1931	-41.69	-19.73	-58.42	-51.99	6379	-31.45	121
15	FMV 1126	2778	1.51	16.77	-10.12	-5.65	7572	-10.74	115
16	FMV 1127	2674	-2.32	13.54	-14.40	-9.76	7291	-15.00	115
17	FMV 1128	1761	-55.37	-31.29	-73.71	-66.67	4930	-70.08	106
18	FMV 1129	2558	-6.96	9.62	-19.59	-14.74	7434	-12.79	113
19	FMV 1130	2549	-7.34	9.30	-20.01	-15.14	8216	-2.06	116
20	FMV 1131	2826	3.18	18.19	-8.24	-3.86	8066	-3.95	123
21	FMV 1132	2493	-9.75	7.26	-22.70	-17.73	6524	-28.53	116
22	FMV 1133	2451	-11.63	5.67	-24.81	-19.75	7834	-7.03	119

23	FMV 1134	1921	-42.43	-20.35	-59.24	-52.79	6238	-34.42	115
24	FMV 1135	2651	-3.21	12.79	-15.39	-10.71	7711	-8.74	119
25	FMV 1136	2326	-17.63	0.60	-31.51	-26.18	7010	-19.61	125
26	GPU 45 (Check)	2736	0.00	15.50	-11.81	-7.27	7717	-8.66	113
27	VL 352 (Check)	2312	-18.34	0.00	-32.31	-26.95	6558	-27.86	108
28	GPU 67 (Check)	3059	10.56	24.42	0.00	4.05	8385	0.00	120
29	PR 202 (Check)	2935	6.78	21.23	-4.22	0.00	7898	-6.17	117
30	Local	2815	2.81	17.87	-8.67	-4.26	7498	-11.83	120
	Zonal Mean	2576					7207		116

Table 1b: Pedigree of varieties evaluated in Finger millet Initial VarietalTrial (FMIVT) Kharif 2017

S. No.	Entries	Centre code	Trial Code	Centre	Level of Testing	Pedigree
1	FMV 1112	PR 1507	FM IVT -1	Peddapuram	1st year	DM-7 × PR 202
2	FMV 1113	WN 550	FM IVT -2	Waghai	1st year	Local Collection from SubirTaluka, Dangs District
3	FMV 1114	WN 585	FM IVT -3	Waghai	1st year	Local Collection from WaghaiTaluka, Dangs District
4	FMV 1115	OEB 601	FM IVT -4	Berhampur	1st year	Indaf 5 x Bhairabi
5	FMV 1116	VR 1101	FM IVT -5	Vizianagaram	1st year	VL 330 × GE 532
6	FMV 1117	PR 1511	FM IVT -6	Peddapuram	1st year	PR 1045 × PR 202
7	FMV 1118	WN 559	FM IVT -7	Waghai	1st year	Local Collection from WaghaiTaluka, Dangs District
8	FMV 1119	OEB 602	FM IVT -8	Berhampur	1st year	AKP 7 x Purnea
9	FMV 1120	RAuF 15	FM IVT -9	Dholi	1st year	
10	FMV 1121	ML 181	FM IVT -10	Bengaluru	1st year	IE 1012/I.5
11	FMV 1122	VL 390	FM IVT -11	Almora	1st year	VL324 × L540
12	FMV 1123	IIMR FM 6655	FM IVT -12	IIMR Hydrabad	1st year	Selection from IE7161
13	FMV 1124	KMR 633	FM IVT -13	Mandya	1st year	PR 202 x GE 1409
14	FMV 1125	KWFM 49	FM IVT -14	Kolhapur	1st year	
15	FMV 1126	RAuF 13	FM IVT -15	Dholi	1st year	
16	FMV 1127	ML 322	FM IVT -16	Bengaluru	1st year	IE 1012/I.5
17	FMV 1128	VL 389	FM IVT -17	Almora	1st year	L-540 × VL 204
18	FMV 1129	PRS 38	FM IVT -18	Palem	1st year	PR 2614 x RR230
19	FMV 1130	KMR 632	FM IVT -19	Mandya	1st year	Indaf-5 x GE 1409/ IE-95001 x MR6
20	FMV 1131	KOPN 1059	FM IVT -20	Kolhapur	1st year	
21	FMV 1132	TNEc1292	FM IVT -21	Athiyandal	1st year	CO(Ra)14 x TNAU900

22	FMV 1133	GPU 97	FM IVT -22	Bengaluru	1st year	GPU 67 x GPU 28
23	FMV 1134	TNEc 1294	FM IVT -23	Athiyandal	1st year	CO(Ra)14 x TNAU950
24	FMV 1135	GPU 96	FM IVT -24	Bengaluru	1st year	GPU 67 x GPU 28
25	FMV 1136	Gossaigoan marubadhan	FM IVT -25	Gossaigaon	1st year	Local Collection from Haraputa area of Gossaigaon Sub Division under Kokrajhar District of Assam
26	GPU 45(Check)	-	FM IVT -26	Bengaluru	check	GPU 26 x L5
27	VL 352 (Check)	-	FM IVT -27	Almora	check	VR 708 x VL 149
28	GPU 67(Check)	-	FM IVT -28	Bengaluru	check	Selection from GE 5331
29	PR 202(Check)	-	FM IVT -29	Peddapuram	check	Pure line selection from Mettachodiragi of Arakku valley
30	Local check	-	FM IVT -LC			

2. Finger millet Initial Varietal Trial- North zone

In this trial 25 entries along with five checks (GPU 45, VL 352, GPU 67, PR 202 and a local check) were evaluated across 10 locations spread over six finger millet growing states for grain yield, fodder yield and other agronomic traits (Table 2, 2a and Tables 2.1 to 2.8).

- Days to 50% flowering and maturity: The entries took 67 to 99 Days to 50% flowering and 107 to 138 days to
 maturity. The check VL 352 is flowered and matured earlier than all the entries in the evaluation and among the
 testing entries, FMV 1128 flowered and matured earlier than all the entries.
- Plant Height: The plant Height ranged from 84cm to 107cm.
- Grain yield: The entryFMV 1116 (3054 kg/ha) was ranked first in the trial and performed superior than best check GPU 67 (2897 kg/ha) for grain yield. FMV 1118 and FMV 1120performed better among the entries but inferior to all the checks.
- Fodder yield: The entry FMV 1119 (13554 kg/ha) was performed significantly superior than the best check GPU 67 (11692) for fodder yield in the trial. FMV 1116 (12046 kg/ha), FMV 1113 (11915 kg/ha), FMV 1118 (11849 kg/ha) and FMV 1112 (11810 kg/ha) were superior to the best check.

Remarks: The entry FMV 1116 was performed better for grain and fodder yields.

Table 2: Summary Performance of varieties in Finger millet Initial Varietal Trial in North Zone: Kharif 2017

S. No.	Entries	Grain yield (kg/ha)	d	Fodderyie (kg/ha)	ld	Days to 50 % Flowering	Days to Maturity	Plant height (cm)	No. of productive tillers	Main ear length (cm)	No. of Fingers /ear
		Average	R	Average	R	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average
1	FMV 1112	2411	17	11810	5	93	134	104	3	9	9
2	FMV 1113	2338	22	11915	3	94	135	95	3	8	7
3	FMV 1114	2740	9	11613	7	72	109	93	3	8	8
4	FMV 1115	2713	10	11559	11	82	124	101	3	8	7
5	FMV 1116	3054	1	12046	2	85	126	101	3	8	7
6	FMV 1117	2625	15	11319	16	89	130	99	3	8	8
7	FMV 1118	2773	7	11849	4	88	130	107	3	9	7

8	FMV 1119	2654	12	13554	1	80	120	94	3	7	6
9	FMV 1120	2746	8	11340	14	81	122	99	3	7	8
10	FMV 1121	2203	26	10947	20	89	132	101	3	9	7
11	FMV 1122	2376	19	9185	30	76	118	84	3	7	8
12	FMV 1123	2640	14	10085	26	73	115	99	3	9	7
13	FMV 1124	2268	24	9795	29	84	127	96	3	8	8
14	FMV 1125	1890	29	10022	28	94	138	102	3	9	7
15	FMV 1126	2654	11	11607	8	87	125	100	3	8	7
16	FMV 1127	2459	16	10733	22	85	124	102	3	8	7
17	FMV 1128	2382	18	10223	25	70	108	86	3	7	7
18	FMV 1129	2646	13	10983	18	80	124	104	3	8	8
19	FMV 1130	2298	23	10731	23	92	134	95	3	10	8
20	FMV 1131	1955	28	10979	19	97	138	103	3	8	7
21	FMV 1132	2074	27	10411	24	83	124	100	3	9	8
22	FMV 1133	2352	20	11466	13	91	132	97	3	8	7
23	FMV 1134	1864	30	10867	21	86	128	99	3	8	6
24	FMV 1135	2221	25	11507	12	94	135	99	3	8	7
25	FMV 1136	2352	21	11598	10	99	138	98	3	7	7
26	GPU 45 (Check)	2839	5	11327	15	85	125	98	3	8	7
27	VL 352 (Check)	2843	4	10083	27	67	107	96	3	8	8
28	GPU 67 (Check)	2897	3	11692	6	92	130	93	3	7	7
29	PR 202 (Check)	2807	6	11605	9	85	127	100	3	7	7
30	Local	3049	2	11186	17	75	110	96	3	7	8
	Zonal mean	2504		11134		85	126	98	3	8	7
	C.D. (5%)	511		1624		6	8	6	0	1	1
	C.D. (1%)	673		2141		8	10	8	1	1	1
	C.V. (%)	20.68		15.71		7.74	6.51	6.8	15.95	9.31	11.96
	P-value	0		0.001		0	0	0	0.389	0	0

Comparative performance of entries: The entry FMV 1116 was superior by 5.14% grain yield over the best check GPU 67 and 8.09 % over the check PR 202, 7.04% over the check GPU 45 then 6.91% over the check VL 352. No other test entries performed superior than the any checks. FMV 1119 (13.74 %) produce significantly superior fodder yield than the best check GPU 67.FMV 1116(2.94%) and FMV 1113 (1.87%) gave more yield than the best check.

Table 2a: Comparative performance of entries in finger millet Initial varietal trial: North Zone

S.		Mean Grain	%		lecrease ov grain yield	er	Fodder yield	% Increase /decrease	Days to
No.	Entries	yield (kg/ha)	GPU 45	VL 352	GPU 67	PR 202	(kg/ha)	over best check (GPU 67)	maturity
1	FMV 1112	2411	-17.75	-17.92	-20.16	-16.42	11810	1.00	134
2	FMV 1113	2338	-21.43	-21.60	-23.91	-20.06	11915	1.87	135
3	FMV 1114	2740	-3.61	-3.76	-5.73	-2.45	11613	-0.68	109

4	FMV 1115	2713	-4.64	-4.79	-6.78	-3.46	11559	-1.15	124
5	FMV 1116	3054	7.04	6.91	5.14	8.09	12046	2.94	126
6	FMV 1117	2625	-8.15	-8.30	-10.36	-6.93	11319	-3.30	130
7	FMV 1118	2773	-2.38	-2.52	-4.47	-1.23	11849	1.33	130
8	FMV 1119	2654	-6.97	-7.12	-9.16	-5.76	13554	13.74	120
9	FMV 1120	2746	-3.39	-3.53	-5.50	-2.22	11340	-3.10	122
10	FMV 1121	2203	-28.87	-29.05	-31.50	-27.42	10947	-6.81	132
11	FMV 1122	2376	-19.49	-19.65	-21.93	-18.14	9185	-27.29	118
12	FMV 1123	2640	-7.54	-7.69	-9.73	-6.33	10085	-15.93	115
13	FMV 1124	2268	-25.18	-25.35	-27.73	-23.77	9795	-19.37	127
14	FMV 1125	1890	-50.21	-50.42	-53.28	-48.52	10022	-16.66	138
15	FMV 1126	2654	-6.97	-7.12	-9.16	-5.76	11607	-0.73	125
16	FMV 1127	2459	-15.45	-15.62	-17.81	-14.15	10733	-8.94	124
17	FMV 1128	2382	-19.19	-19.35	-21.62	-17.84	10223	-14.37	108
18	FMV 1129	2646	-7.29	-7.45	-9.49	-6.08	10983	-6.46	124
19	FMV 1130	2298	-23.54	-23.72	-26.07	-22.15	10731	-8.96	134
20	FMV 1131	1955	-45.22	-45.42	-48.18	-43.58	10979	-6.49	138
21	FMV 1132	2074	-36.89	-37.08	-39.68	-35.34	10411	-12.30	124
22	FMV 1133	2352	-20.71	-20.88	-23.17	-19.35	11466	-1.97	132
23	FMV 1134	1864	-52.31	-52.52	-55.42	-50.59	10867	-7.59	128
24	FMV 1135	2221	-27.83	-28.01	-30.44	-26.38	11507	-1.61	135
25	FMV 1136	2352	-20.71	-20.88	-23.17	-19.35	11598	-0.81	138
26	GPU 45 (Check)	2839	0.00	-0.14	-2.04	1.13	11327	-3.22	125
27	VL 352 (Check)	2843	0.14	0.00	-1.90	1.27	10083	-15.96	107
28	GPU 67 (Check)	2897	2.00	1.86	0.00	3.11	11692	0.00	130
29	PR 202 (Check)	2807	-1.14	-1.28	-3.21	0.00	11605	-0.75	127
30	Local	3049	6.89	6.76	4.99	7.94	11186	-4.52	110
	Zonal mean	2504					11134		126

3. Finger millet Advanced Varietal Trial- Early and Medium (AVT I & II) duration: South zone

In this trial four entries and four checks(GPU-45, VL-352, GPU 67 and PR 202)were evaluated across 15 centres spread over seven finger millet growing states for grain and fodder yield and other agronomic traits (**Table 3, 3a, 3b, 3c, 3d and Tables 3.1 to 3.8**).

- Days to 50 % flowering and maturity: The entries took 73 to 84 days to 50 % flowering and 105 to 119 days for maturity.
- Plant height: Plant height ranged from 86 to 104 cm.
- Grain Yield: None of the entries were significantly superior to the best check GPU 67 in grain yield. However, the entry FMV 1103 (3004 kg/ha) was significantly superior than the VL-352 and on par in grain yield with best check.

Fodder yield: None of the entries were significantly superior to the checks in fodder yield. The check PR 202 was the top yielder with 8591 kg/ha followed by GPU 67 (8147 kg/ha). The entry FMV 1103was on par with check GPU 67.

Remarks: The check GPU 67 stood first rank with grain yield and second with fodder yield. However, the entry FMV 1103 was on par with check GPU 67 in both grain and fodder yields.

Table 3: Summary Performance of varieties in Finger millet Advanced Varietal Trial in South Zone: Kharif 2017

S No.	Entries	Grain yiel (kg/ha)	ld	Fodder Yield (kg/ha)		Days to 50 % Flowering	Days to Maturity	Plant height (cm)	No. of Productive tillers	Main ear length (cm)	No. of Fingers /ear
		Average	R	Average	R	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average
1	FMV 1101	2682	6	6923	7	76	109	91	3	7	8
2	FMV 1102	2590	8	6876	9	76	109	86	3	7	7
3	FMV 1103	3004	2	8111	3	82	115	99	3	7	6
4	FMV 1104	2616	7	7906	6	77	112	102	3	8	7
5	GPU 45 (Check)	2715	5	8030	4	77	112	99	3	7	6
6	VL 352 (Check)	2306	9	6876	8	73	105	92	3	7	7
7	GPU 67 (Check)	3042	1	8147	2	82	116	95	3	7	7
8	PR 202 (Check)	2968	4	8591	1	80	115	102	4	7	6
9	Local	3002	3	7926	5	84	119	104	3	8	7
	Zonal mean	2769		7710		79	112	97	3	7	7
	C.D. (5%)	372		930		6	5	6	0	1	1
	C.D. (1%)	494		1236		8	7	7	1	1	1
	C.V. (%)	14.57		11.96		8.88	5.41	7.64	18.29	9.52	11.73
	P-value	0		0		0.01	0	0	0.314	0	0

Comparative performance of entries: No entries gave more grain yield than best check. However, all the test entries gave more than 10% grain yield than the check VL 352. FMV 1103 is on par with the best check and gave 23.24% more grain yield than VL 352. None of the test entries gave more fodder yield than the best check.

Table 3a: Comparative performance of entries in finger millet advanced varietal trial (AVT I & II) Early and medium duration: South Zone

S.	Mear Entries Grain				e /decrease for grain y		Fodder	% Increase /decrease	Dave to
No.	Entries	yield (kg/ha)	GPU 45	VL 352	GPU 67	PR 202	yield (kg/ha)	Over best check (PR 202)	Days to maturity
1	FMV 1101	2682	-1.23	14.02	-13.42	-10.66	6923	-24.09	109
2	FMV 1102	2590	-4.83	10.97	-17.45	-14.59	6876	-24.94	109
3	FMV 1103	3004	9.62	23.24	-1.26	1.20	8111	-5.92	115

4	FMV 1104	2616	-3.78	11.85	-16.28	-13.46	7906	-8.66	112
5	GPU 45 (Check)	2715	0.00	15.06	-12.04	-9.32	8030	-6.99	112
6	VL 352 (Check)	2306	-17.74	0.00	-31.92	-28.71	6876	-24.94	105
7	GPU 67 (Check)	3042	10.75	24.19	0.00	2.43	8147	-5.45	116
8	PR 202 (Check)	2968	8.52	22.30	-2.49	0.00	8591	0.00	115
	Zonal mean	2769					7710		112

Performance of entries over three and two years in Finger millet Advanced Varietal Trial (AVT I & II): The varietal performance of finger millet varieties over three years of testing indicated that FMV1101 was 9.58% superior in grain yield over the best check, but it gave less fodder yield (-7.11%) over the best check GPU 45. In two year performance of varieties, entry FMV1106 gave 4.18% more grain yield than the best check VL 352 but it gave less fodder yield than the best check GPU45.

Table3b: Performance of entries over three years in finger millet advanced varietal trial (AVT I & II)

S. E	F	Centre	Gra	in yield (Kg	/ha)	India	% over	Fod	g/ha)	% over	
No	Entries	code	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	Mean	best check	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	best check
1	FMV1101	VL 386	2991	3306	3637	3311	9.58	6300	11678	10401	-7.11
2	GPU 45 (Check)		2798	2772	2875	2815		7400	11951	11046	
3	VL 352 (Check)		2751	3092	3140	2994		6600	12003	9598	

Table3c: Performance of entries over two years in finger millet advanced varietal trial (AVT I & II)

SI.	Fodulas	Centre	Grain yiel	d (Kg/ha)	India	% over		r yield /ha)	India	% over best	
No.	Entries	code	2016-17	2017-18	Mean	best check	2016-17	2017-18	Mean	check	
1	FMV1102	BR 14-3	2637	3686	3161	0.69	9954	10983	10469	-9.84	
2	FMV1103	PR 10-35	2816	2896	2856	-9.93	10818	11586	11202	-2.65	
3	FMV1104	KOPN 942	2794	3001	2898	-8.35	9930	11014	10472	-9.80	
4	FMV1105	DHFM 78-33	2599	2335	2467	-27.26	10001	13633	11817	2.70	
5	FMV1106	VL 387	2603	3950	3277	4.18	9536	13031	11284	-1.90	
6	FMV1107	KMR 630	2553	2615	2584	-21.50	9444	12850	11147	-3.15	
7	FMV1108	GPU 93	2446	2308	2377	-32.08	9754	13404	11579	0.70	
8	FMV1109	GPU 94	2481	2923	2702	-16.19	9638	13982	11810	2.64	
9	FMV1110	TNEC 1281	2198	2333	2266	-38.58	9546	12103	10825	-6.22	
10	FMV1111	VL 503	2079	2764	2422	-29.65	9402	14122	11762	2.24	
11	GPU 45 (Check)		2772	2979	2875		11951	11046	11498		
12	VL 352 (Check)		3092	3187	3140		12003	9598	10800		

Table 3d: Pedigree of varieties evaluated in Finger millet Advanced Varietal Trial I & II (South Zone): Kharif2017

S. No.	Entries	Centre code	Trial Code	Centre	Level of Testing	Pedigree
1	FMV 1101	VL 386	FM AVT I & II (SZ)-1	Almora	3rd year	GEC 440 x VL 149
2	FMV 1102	BR 14-3	FM AVT I & II (SZ)-2	Jagdalpur	2nd year	VR 708 x GPU 48
3	FMV 1103	PR 10- 35	FM AVT I & II (SZ)-3	Peddapuram	2nd year	GE 4971 x GPU 26
4	FMV 1104	KOPN 942	FM AVT I & II (SZ)-4	Kolhapur	2nd year	Selection from IEC 190
5	GPU 45(Che	-	FM AVT I & II (SZ)-5	Bengaluru	check	GPU 26 x L5
6	VL 352(Check)	-	FM AVT I & II (SZ)-6	Almora	check	VR 708 x VL 149
7	GPU 67(Check)	1	FM AVT I & II (SZ)-7	Bengaluru	check	Selection from GE 5331
8	PR 202(Check)	-	FM AVT I & II (SZ)-8	Peddapuram	check	Pure line selection from Mettachodiragi of Arakku valley
9	Local check	-	FM AVT I & II (SZ)-LC			

4. Finger millet Advanced Varietal Trial- Early & Medium (AVT I & II) duration: North zone

In this trial four entries and four checks (GPU-45, VL-352, GPU 67 and PR 202) were evaluated across 10 centres spread over six finger millet growing states for grain and fodder yield and other agronomic traits (Table 4, 4a, 4b, 4c, 4d and Tables 4.1 to 4.8).

- Days to 50 % flowering and maturity: The entries took 67 to 100 days to 50% flowering and 109 to 141 days for maturity.
- Plant height: Plant height ranged from 83 to 109 cm.
- Grain Yield:The entries FMV 1102 (4781 kg/ha) and FMV 1101 (4592 kg/ha)ranked first and second in the trial, respectively and significantly superior than best check VL 352 (4068 kg/ha). FMV 1106 (3950 kg/ha) was significantly superior to the checks GPU 45 and GPU 67 but inferior to VL 352.
- Fodder yield: None of the test entries were significantly superior to the best check GPU 67 (15311 kg/ha) in fodder yield. However, FMV 1102 and FMV 1103 were on par with the best check.

Remarks: The entries FMV 1102 and FMV 1101 were significantly superior to all the checks in grain yield wherein, FMV 1102 was on par with GPU 67 in fodder yield.

Table 4: Summary Performance of varieties in Finger millet Advanced Varietal Trial in North Zone: Kharif 2017

S. No.	Entries	Grain yield (kg/ha)		Fodder yield (kg/ha)		Days to 50 % Flowering	Days to Maturity	Plant Height (cm)	No. of Productive Tillers	Main Ear Length (cm)	No. of Fingers /ear
		Average	R	Average	R	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average
1	FMV 1101	4592	2	13878	9	74	112	95	3	9	9
2	FMV 1102	4781	1	15090	2	71	110	90	3	8	8
3	FMV 1103	2788	11	15060	3	89	128	103	3	8	7
4	FMV 1104	3386	7	14122	6	85	125	99	3	10	8
5	FMV 1105	2335	14	13633	10	98	141	109	2	13	7

6	FMV 1106	3950	4	13031	12	76	114	84	3	8	8
7	FMV 1107	2615	13	12850	13	90	128	99	3	8	8
8	FMV 1108	2308	16	13404	11	100	140	83	3	9	7
9	FMV 1109	2923	10	13982	8	94	138	99	3	8	7
10	FMV 1110	2333	15	12103	16	89	128	96	3	8	7
11	FMV 1111	2764	12	14122	5	70	113	99	3	9	6
12	GPU 45 (Check)	3242	8	14061	7	86	123	99	3	8	7
13	VL 352 (Check)	4068	3	12319	15	67	112	99	3	9	8
14	GPU 67 (Check)	3054	9	15311	1	93	132	92	3	7	7
15	PR 202 (Check)	3648	6	14921	4	87	127	106	3	8	7
16	Local	3687	5	12736	14	69	109	98	3	8	7
	Zonal mean	3280		13789		83	124	97	3	9	7
	C.D. (5%)	1031		2165		6	7	7	0	1	1
	C.D. (1%)	1368		2861		8	9	10	1	1	1
	C.V. (%)	26.99		16.82		8.18	6.06	7.95	16.43	12.74	10.22
	P-value			0.065		0	0	0	0.164	0	0

Comparative performance of entries: The entry FMV 1102 and FMV 1101 gave more than 20% grain yield than checks GPU 45, GPU 67 and PR 202 and more than 10% grain yield over check VL 352. The entries FMV 1102 and FMV 1101 gave less fodder yield (-1.46% and -10.33%) than best check GPU 67.

Table 4a: Comparative performance of entries in finger millet advanced varietal trial (AVT I & II) Early and medium duration: North Zone

S. No.	Entries	Mean Grain yield	0\	% Increase ver checks f			Fodder yield	% Increase /decrease over	Days to maturity
IVO.		(kg/ha)	GPU 45	VL 352	GPU 67	PR 202	(kg/ha)	best check (GPU 67)	maturity
1	FMV 1101	4592	29.40	11.41	33.49	20.56	13878	-10.33	112
2	FMV 1102	4781	32.19	14.91	36.12	23.70	15090	-1.46	110
3	FMV 1103	2788	-16.28	-45.91	-9.54	-30.85	15060	-1.67	128
4	FMV 1104	3386	4.25	-20.14	9.81	-7.74	14122	-8.42	125
5	FMV 1105	2335	-38.84	-74.22	-30.79	-56.23	13633	-12.31	141
6	FMV 1106	3950	17.92	-2.99	22.68	7.65	13031	-17.50	114
7	FMV 1107	2615	-23.98	-55.56	-16.79	-39.50	12850	-19.15	128
8	FMV 1108	2308	-40.47	-76.26	-32.32	-58.06	13404	-14.23	140
9	FMV 1109	2923	-10.91	-39.17	-4.48	-24.80	13982	-9.51	138
10	FMV 1110	2333	-38.96	-74.37	-30.90	-56.37	12103	-26.51	128
11	FMV 1111	2764	-17.29	-47.18	-10.49	-31.98	14122	-8.42	113
12	GPU 45 (Check)	3242	0.00	-25.48	5.80	-12.52	14061	-8.89	123
13	VL 352	4068	20.30	0.00	24.93	10.32	12319	-24.29	112

	(Check)								
14	GPU 67 (Check)	3054	-6.16	-33.20	0.00	-19.45	15311	0.00	132
15	PR 202 (Check)	3648	11.13	-11.51	16.28	0.00	14921	-2.61	127
16	Local	3687	12.07	-10.33	17.17	1.06	12736	-20.22	109
	Zonal mean	3280					13789		124

Table 4b: Pedigree of varieties evaluated in Finger millet Advanced Varietal Trial I& II (North Zone): Kharif 2017

SI. No.	Entries	Centre code	Trial Code	Centre	Level of Testing	Pedigree
1	FMV 1101	VL 386	FM AVT I & II (NZ)-1	Almora	3rd year	GEC 440 x VL 149
2	FMV 1102	BR 14-3	FM AVT I & II (NZ)-2	Jagdalpur	2nd year	VR 708 x GPU 48
3	FMV 1103	PR 10-35	FM AVT I & II (NZ)-3	Peddapuram	2nd year	GE 4971 x GPU 26
4	FMV 1104	KOPN 942	FM AVT I & II (NZ)-4	Kolhapur	2nd year	Selection from IEC 190
5	FMV 1105	DHFM 78- 33	FM AVT I & II (NZ)-5	Hanumanmatti	2nd year	GE 1130 x GPU 28
6	FMV 1106	VL 387	FM AVT I & II (NZ)-6	Almora	2nd year	VL 324 x L540
7	FMV 1107	KMR 630	FM AVT I & II (NZ)-7	Mandya	2nd year	PR 202 x GE 1409
8	FMV 1108	GPU 93	FM AVT I & II (NZ)-8	Bengaluru	2nd year	GPU 67 x GPU 28
9	FMV 1109	GPU 94	FM AVT I & II (NZ)-9	Bengaluru	2nd year	GPU 67 x GPU 28
10	FMV 1110	TNEC 1281	FM AVT I & II (NZ)-10	Athiyandal	2nd year	Selection from TNAU 900
11	FMV 1111	VL 503	FM AVT I & II (NZ)-11	Almora	2nd year	WR 2 x VL 201
12	GPU 45 (Check)	-	FM AVT I & II (NZ)-12	Bengaluru	check	GPU 26 x L5
13	VL 352 (Check)	-	FM AVT I & II (NZ)-13	Almora	check	VR 708 x VL 149
14	GPU 67 (Check)	-	FM AVT I & II (NZ)-14	Bengaluru	check	Selection from GE 5331
15	PR 202 (Check)	-	FM AVT I & II (NZ)-15	Peddapuram	check	Pure line selection from Mettachodiragi of Arakku valley
16	Local check	-	FM AVT I & II (NZ)-LC			

5. Foxtail millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial (FIAVT):

In this trial thirteen entries and two checks (SiA 326and SiA 3156) were evaluated across 20 centres spread over eleven Foxtail millet growing states for grain and fodder yield and other agronomic traits (**Table 5**, **5a**, **5b**, **5c**, **5d and Tables 5.1 to 5.6**).

- Days to 50% flowering and maturity: The entries took 46 to 53days to 50% flowering and 78 to 87 days for maturity.
- Plant height: Plant height ranged from 120 to 140 cm.
- Grain Yield: The entry FXV 603 (2502 kg/ha) was significantly superior to check SiA 326 (2328 kg/ha) in grain yield and on par with the best check SiA 3156. FXV 602 and FXV 611 were superior to check SiA 326 but inferior to best check SiA 3156.
- Fodder yield: The entries FXV 603 (6233 kg/ha), ranked first in the trial for fodder yield, FXV 607(6072 kg/ha) and FXV 612(6048 kg/ha) were significantly superior in fodder yield than best check SiA 326 (5525 kg/ha).

Remarks: The entry FXV 603 was on par with the best check in grain yield and significantly superior in fodder than both the checks.

Table 5: Summary performance of varieties in Foxtail millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial: Kharif 2017

S. No.	Entries	Grain yiel	d (kg/ha)	Fodder yi (kg/ha)		Days to 50 % Flowering	Days to Maturity	Plant Height (cm)	No. of Productive tillers
		Average	R	Average	R	Average	Average	Average	Average
1	FXV 601	2179	14	5320	9	46	78	124	4
2	FXV 602	2425	4	5147	15	48	80	126	3
3	FXV 603	2502	3	6233	1	51	84	131	4
4	FXV 604	2063	16	4532	16	48	80	120	3
5	FXV 605	2381	7	5170	14	47	80	123	4
6	FXV 606	2235	13	5648	7	52	84	140	3
7	FXV 607	2391	6	6072	2	52	86	133	5
8	FXV 608	2269	12	5823	4	51	84	137	3
9	FXV 609	2308	10	5285	11	50	83	136	3
10	FXV 610	2162	15	5662	6	53	87	129	5
11	FXV 611	2422	5	5257	12	47	81	127	3
12	FXV 612	2296	11	6048	3	51	84	128	4
13	FXV 613	2345	8	5789	5	51	83	132	4
14	SiA 326 (Check)	2328	9	5525	8	49	82	132	3
15	SiA 3156 (Check)	2537	2	5314	10	49	82	129	3
16	Local check	2722	1	5256	13	48	81	132	4
	All India mean	2335		5506		49	82	130	4
	C.D. (5%)	253		699		2	2	6	1
	C.D. (1%)	334		923		3	3	7	1
	C.V. (%)	15.08		16.04		5.89	4.09	6.48	22.9
	P-value	-				0	0	0	

Comparative performance of entries: The entries FXV 603and FXV 602were superior by 6.95% and 4.0% over the check SiA 326 in grain yield, but inferior to check SiA 3156 by 1.4%and 4.62%, respectively. The entry FXV 603 was superior by 11.36% in fodder yield over the best check SiA 326. The entries FXV 607 and FXV 612 were superior over the best check by 9.01 % and 8.65%, respectively.

Table 5a: Comparative performance of entries in Foxtail millet Initial and Advanced varietal trial (FIAVT)

S.	Entries	Mean Grain		se /decrease over for grain yield	Fodder Yield	% Increase /decrease over best	Days to	
No.	Litties	Yield (kg/ha)	SiA 326	SiA 3156	(kg/ha)	check (SiA 326)	maturity	
1	FXV 601	2179	-6.84	-16.43	5320	-3.85	78	
2	FXV 602	2425	4.00	-4.62	5147	-7.34	80	
3	FXV 603	2502	6.95	-1.40	6233	11.36	84	
4	FXV 604	2063	-12.85	-22.98	4532	-21.91	80	
5	FXV 605	2381	2.23	-6.55	5170	-6.87	80	
6	FXV 606	2235	-4.16	-13.51	5648	2.18	84	
7	FXV 607	2391	2.63	-6.11	6072	9.01	86	
8	FXV 608	2269	-2.60	-11.81	5823	5.12	84	
9	FXV 609	2308	-0.87	-9.92	5285	-4.54	83	
10	FXV 610	2162	-7.68	-17.35	5662	2.42	87	
11	FXV 611	2422	3.88	-4.75	5257	-5.10	81	
12	FXV 612	2296	-1.39	-10.50	6048	8.65	84	
13	FXV 613	2345	0.72	-8.19	5789	4.56	83	
14	SiA 326 (Check)	2328	0.00	-8.98	5525	0.00	82	
15	SiA 3156 (Check)	2537	8.24	0.00	5314	-3.97	82	
16	Local check	2722	14.47	6.80	5256	-5.12	81	
	All India mean	2335			5506		82	

Performance of entries over three and two years in Foxtail millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial: The varietal performance of foxtail millet entries over 3 and 2 years of testing indicated that none of the entries were superior over the checks. But the entry FXV601 gave more fodder yield of 3.39 % over best check SiA326 over 3 year performance. Over 2 year performance the entry FXV603 gave 4.63% more fodder yield than the best check SiA 326.

Table5b: Performance of entries over three years in Foxtail millet initial and advanced varietal trial (FIAVT)

		Caratana	Grai	n yield (l	Kg/ha)	India	% over	% over Fodder yield (Kg/ha)			India	%
SL.No.	Entries	Centre code	2015- 16	2016- 17	2017- 18	Mean	best check	2015- 16	2016- 17	2017- 18	Mean	over best check
1	FXV601	DHFT 5-6	2507	2232	2179	2306	-5.49	6400	5084	5320	5601	3.39
2	FXV602	SiA 3179	2459	2111	2425	2332	-4.33	5500	4431	5147	5026	-7.67
3	SiA 326 (Check)		2217	1997	2328	2181		5600	5110	5525	5412	
4	SiA 3156 (Check)		2385	2376	2537	2433		5700	4389	5314	5134	

Table5c: Performance of entries over two years in foxtail millet initial and advanced varietal trial (FIAVT)

SL.No.	Entries	Centre	Grain yield (Kg/ha)	India	% over	Fodder yield (Kg/ha)	India	% over
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		code				best				best
			2016-17	2017-18	Mean	check	2016-17	2017-18	Mean	check
1	FXV603	DHFT 77-3	2196	2502	2349	-4.57	4921	6233	5577	4.63
	SiA 326									
2	(Check)		1997	2328	2163		5110	5525	5318	
	SiA 3156									
3	(Check)		2376	2537	2457		4389	5314	4852	

Table 5d. Pedigree of varieties evaluated in Foxtail millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial (FIAVT) Kharif 2017

S. No.	Entries	Centre code	Trial Code	Centre	Level of Testing	Pedigree
1	FXV 601	DHFT 5-6	FIAVT-1	Hanumanamatti	3rd year	GPUS 26 x CO 7
2	FXV 602	SiA 3179	FIAVT-2	Nandyal	3rd year	Srilakshmi x SiA 1378
3	FXV 603	DHFT 77-3	FIAVT-3	Hanumanamatti	2nd year	GPUS 26 x CO 7
4	FXV 604	PPSS-7	FIAVT-4	Perumallapale	1st year	
5	FXV 605	PKS 22	FIAVT-5	Palem	1st year	Selection from ISC 1820
6	FXV 606	SiA 3220	FIAVT-6	Nandyal	1st year	SiA 2720 x SiA 2605
7	FXV 607	TNSi 337	FIAVT-7	Athiyandal	1st year	CO 6 x Ise 198
8	FXV 608	SiA 3212	FIAVT-8	Nandyal	1st year	NSR x SiA 2829
9	FXV 609	SiA 3219	FIAVT-9	Nandyal	1st year	SiA 2323 x NSR
10	FXV 610	TNSi 345	FIAVT-10	Athiyandal	1st year	CO(Te)7 x TNAU 51
11	FXV 611	DHFT 35-3	FIAVT-11	Hanumanamatti	1st year	Co-6 X GS-1919
12	FXV 612	DHFT 2-5-3	FIAVT-12	Hanumanamatti	1st year	Co-5 X PS-4
13	FXV 613	IIMR FtM-1	FIAVT-13	IIMRHydrabad	1st year	Selection from Ise 1009
14	SiA 326(Check)	-	FIAVT-14	Nandyal	check	Pureline selection
15	SiA 3156(Check)	-	FIAVT-15	Nandyal	check	Selection from SiA 2871
16	Local check	-	FIAVT-LC			

6. Kodo millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial: Kharif 2017

In this trial seven entries and three checks (TNAU 86, RK 390-2 and GPUK 35) were evaluated across 11 centres spread over nineKodomillet growing states for grain and fodder yield and other agronomic traits (<u>Table 6, 6a, 6b, 6c Tables 6.1 to 6.6</u>).

- Days to 50% flowering and maturity: The entries took 67 to 73days to 50% flowering and 103 to 110 days for maturity.
- Plant height: Plant height ranged from 61 to 77cm.
- Grain Yield: The entries KMV 542 (3010 kg/ha), KMV 545 (2992 kg/ha) and KMV 543 (2949 kg/ha) were top ranked, respectively in this trial and were significantly superior to all the checks in grain yield.
- Fodder yield: The entries KMV 545 (8366 kg/ha) and KMV 542 were (8041 kg/ha) were significantly superior in fodder yield over the best check TNAU 86 (7263 kg/ha).

Remarks: The entries KMV 542 and KMV 545 were significantly superior to best checks in grain yield and fodder yield.

Table 6: Summary performance of varieties in Kodomillet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial: Kharif 2017

S. No.	Entries	Grain yie (kg/ha)		Fodder yie (kg/ha)	eld	Days to 50 % Flowering	Days to Maturity	Plant Height (cm)	No. of productive tillers
		Average	R	Average	R	Average	Average	Average	Average
1	KMV 541	1576	11	3802	11	72	110	61	7
2	KMV 542	3010	1	8041	2	70	107	74	6
3	KMV 543	2949	3	7208	4	71	107	68	6
4	KMV 544	2048	9	5100	10	69	106	65	5
5	KMV 545	2992	2	8366	1	73	109	74	7
6	KMV 546	2458	5	6616	6	67	105	67	6
7	KMV 547	2578	4	6851	5	69	105	67	6
8	TNAU 86 (Check)	2410	7	7263	3	68	106	69	6
9	RK 390-25 (Check)	2455	6	6012	7	69	104	68	6
10	GPUK 3(Check)	2103	8	5680	8	69	105	70	5
11	Local check	2010	10	5288	9	70	103	77	7
	All India mean	2437		6473		70	106	69	6
	C.D. (5%)	390		1532		4	5	5	1
	C.D. (1%)	519		2039		5	6	7	2
	C.V. (%)	15.25		22.51		5.82	4.63	8.41	21.96
	P-value	0		0.001		0.14	0.587	0.011	0.133

Comparative performance of entries: The entries KMV 542, KMV 545 and KMV 543 were significantly superior by more than 15% grain yield to best check RK 390-25. KMV 542 was recorded 30.13% higher grain yield than the check GPUK 3, 19.93% than TNAU 86 and 18.44% than best check RK 390-25. KMV 545 and KMV 542 were superior by 13.18% and 9.68% in fodder yield over the best check TNAU 86.

Table 6a: Comparative performance of entries in Kodo millet Initial and Advanced varietal trial (KIAVT)

S.	Entries	Mean Grain vield		crease /decre necks for grain		Fodder yield	% Increase /decrease over	Days to maturity	
No.	Litties	yield (kg/ha)	TNAU 86	RK 390-25	GPUK 3	(kg/ha)	best check (TNAU 86)		
1	KMV 541	1576	-52.92	-55.77	-33.44	3802	-91.03	110	
2	KMV 542	3010	19.93	18.44	30.13	8041	9.68	107	
3	KMV 543	2949	18.28	16.75	28.69	7208	-0.76	107	
4	KMV 544	2048	-17.68	-19.87	-2.69	5100	-42.41	106	
5	KMV 545	2992	19.45	17.95	29.71	8366	13.18	109	
6	KMV 546	2458	1.95	0.12	14.44	6616	-9.78	105	
7	KMV 547	2578	6.52	4.77	18.43	6851	-6.01	105	
8	TNAU 86 (Check)	2410	0.00	-1.87	12.74	7263	0.00	106	

9	RK 390-25 (Check)	2455	1.83	0.00	14.34	6012	-20.81	104
10	GPUK 3 (Check)	2103	-14.60	-16.74	0.00	5680	-27.87	105
11	Local check	2010	-19.90	-22.14	-4.63	5288	-37.35	103
	All India mean	2437				6473		106

Performance of entries over two years in Kodo millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial: The varietal performance of Kodo millet varieties over two years of testing indicated that two entries KMV542 (19.22%) and KMV543 (18.35%) gave more grain yield than the best check TNAU86. In fodder yield the entry KMV542 gave higher fodder yield of 12.29% over best check TNAU86 and KMV543 gave 1.55% increased fodder yield over best check.

Table6b: Performance of entries over two years in Kodo millet initial and advanced varietal trial (KIAVT)

SI.		Centre		n yield g/ha)	India	% over		r yield /ha)	India	% over
No.	I FNITIES I		2016- 17	2017- 18	Mean	best check	2016- 17	2017- 18	Mean	best check
1	KMV541	BK 48	3048	1576	2312	-3.29	7942	3802	5872	-21.94
2	KMV542	TNPSC 176	2902	3010	2956	19.22	8287	8041	8164	12.29
3	KMV543	BK 36	2900	2949	2925	18.35	7339	7208	7274	1.55
4	KMV544	RK 64	2445	2048	2247	-6.30	5709	5100	5405	-32.49
8	TNAU 86 (check)		2366	2410	2388		7058	7263	7161	
9	RK 390-25 (check)		2191	2455	2323		4952	6012	5482	
10	GPUK 3 (check)		2189	2103	2146		5436	5680	5558	

Table 6c: Pedigree of varieties evaluated in Kodo millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial (KIAVT): Kharif 2017

S. No.	Entries	Centre code	Trial Code	Centre	Level of Testing	Pedigree
1	KMV 541	BK 48	KIAVT-1	Jagdalpur	2nd year	Mutant of TNAU 51
2	KMV 542	TNPSC 176	KIAVT-2	Coimbatore	2nd year	Selection from DPS 63
3	KMV 543	BK 36	KIAVT-3	Jagdalpur	2nd year	Mutant of CO-3
4	KMV 544	RK 64	KIAVT-4	Rewa	2nd year	Selection from local germplasm number RPS 64 of Sindhi Dist, MP
5	KMV 545	TNPSC 262	KIAVT-5	Athiyandal	1st year	Selection from DPS 63
6	KMV 546	RPS 520	KIAVT-6	Rewa	1st year	Selection from local germplasm No. RPS 520
7	KMV 547	RPS 694	KIAVT-7	Rewa	1st year	Selection from local germplasm No. RPS 694
8	TNAU 86		KIAVT-8	Athiyandal	check	Selection from Individual plant selection 85
9	RK 390- 25		KIAVT-9	Rewa	check	Mutant of RK 390
10	GPUK 3		KIAVT-10	Bengaluru	check	Selection from germplasm GPLM 826
11	Local check		KIAVT-LC			

7. Little millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial: *Kharif 2017*

In this trial fifteen entries and three checks (JK 8, OLM 203 and BL 6) were evaluated across 18 centres spread over twelveLittlemillet growing states for grain and fodder yield and other agronomic traits (Table 7, 7a, 7b, 7c, 7d and Tables 7.1 to 7.6).

- Days to 50% flowering and maturity: The entries took 54 to 95 days to 50% flowering and 85 to 123 days for maturity.
- Plant height: Plant height ranged from 96 to 138cm.
- Grain Yield: The entries LMV 513 (1599 kg/ha), LMV 512 (1593 kg/ha) and LMV 518 (1579 kg/ha) and LMV 514 (1575 kg/ha) were superior in grain yield to all the checks.
- Fodder yield: None of the test entries were significantly superior to the best check. LMV 517 (7355 kg/ha) was superior to the checks JK 8 and BL 6 but inferior to best check OLM 203.

Remarks: The entries LMV 513, LMV 512, LMV 518 and LMV 514 were superior in grain yield to all the checks but inferior in fodder yield to best check.

Table 7: Summary performance of varieties in Little millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial: Kharif 2017

S. No.	Entries	Grain yiel (kg/ha)	d	Fodder yield (kg/ha)		Days to 50 % Flowering	Days to Maturity	Plant height (cm)	No. of productive tillers
		Average	R	Average	R	Average	Average	Average	Average
1	LMV 511	1550	5	6232	9	76	107	124	5
2	LMV 512	1593	2	5892	10	83	116	117	4
3	LMV 513	1599	1	6521	6	64	95	127	6
4	LMV 514	1575	4	6924	4	84	116	138	5
5	LMV 515	1462	9	5742	11	86	118	114	5
6	LMV 516	1421	10	7341	3	80	111	133	5
7	LMV 517	1412	12	7355	2	93	123	137	5
8	LMV 518	1579	3	6457	7	70	98	115	6
9	LMV 519	1338	17	5095	14	59	89	113	6
10	LMV 520	1379	14	5338	13	57	89	110	5
11	LMV 521	1464	8	6267	8	63	94	119	6
12	LMV 522	1249	18	4201	15	55	86	101	5
13	LMV 523	1491	7	5733	12	84	114	117	5
14	LMV 524	1356	15	3999	17	54	85	96	6
15	LMV 525	1344	16	3878	18	55	85	101	6
16	JK 8 (Check)	1406	13	4189	16	54	85	99	5
17	OLM 203 (Check)	1503	6	8019	1	95	128	140	5
18	BL 6 (Check)	1419	11	6592	5	66	99	123	5
	All India mean	1452		5876		71	102	118	5
	C.D. (5%)	296		1680		10	11	11	1
	C.D. (1%)	391		2217		13	14	15	1
	C.V. (%)	25.32		35.09		16.51	13.15	12.96	18.45

P-value	0.572	0	0	0	0	0	
i -value	0.572	U	0	0	U	U	1

Comparative performance of entries: The entriesLMV 513and LMV 512 were gavemore than 10% grain yield over checks JK 8 and BL 6 and gave more than 5 % over the best check OLM 203.All test entries were inferior to best check OLM 203 in fodder yield production. However, the entries LMV 517, LMV 516 and LMV 514 were superior to checks JK 8 and BL 6 for fodder yield production.

Table 7a: Comparative performance of entries in Little millet Initial and Advanced varietal trial (LIAVT)

S.	Entries	Mean Grain		crease /decre		Fodder Yield	% Increase /decrease over	Days to
No.	Entitios	Yield (kg/ha)	JK 8	OLM 203	BL 6	(kg/ha)	best check (OLM 203)	maturity
1	LMV 511	1550	9.29	3.03	8.45	6232	-28.67	107
2	LMV 512	1593	11.74	5.65	10.92	5892	-36.10	116
3	LMV 513	1599	12.07	6.00	11.26	6521	-22.97	95
4	LMV 514	1575	10.73	4.57	9.90	6924	-15.81	116
5	LMV 515	1462	3.83	-2.80	2.94	5742	-39.66	118
6	LMV 516	1421	1.06	-5.77	0.14	7341	-9.24	111
7	LMV 517	1412	0.42	-6.44	-0.50	7355	-9.03	123
8	LMV 518	1579	10.96	4.81	10.13	6457	-24.19	98
9	LMV 519	1338	-5.08	-12.33	-6.05	5095	-57.39	89
10	LMV 520	1379	-1.96	-8.99	-2.90	5338	-50.22	89
11	LMV 521	1464	3.96	-2.66	3.07	6267	-27.96	94
12	LMV 522	1249	-12.57	-20.34	-13.61	4201	-90.88	86
13	LMV 523	1491	5.70	-0.80	4.83	5733	-39.87	114
14	LMV 524	1356	-3.69	-10.84	-4.65	3999	-100.53	85
15	LMV 525	1344	-4.61	-11.83	-5.58	3878	-106.78	85
16	JK 8 (Check)	1406	0.00	-6.90	-0.92	4189	-91.43	85
17	OLM 203 (Check)	1503	6.45	0.00	5.59	8019	0.00	128
18	BL 6 (Check)	1419	0.92	-5.92	0.00	6592	-21.65	99
	All India mean	1452				5876		102

Performance of entries over three and two years in Little millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial: The varietal performance of Little millet varieties over three years of testing indicated that the entry LMV511 gave higher yield of 2.55% over the best check and but was on par with the check for fodder yield. In two years performance of varieties, LMV513 was 8.33% superior in grain yield over the best check and LMV512 gave 4.3% more grain yield than best check. But both the entries LMV512 (-22.57%) and LMV513 (-16.91%) gave less fodder yield than the best check.

Table 7b: Performance of entries over three years in Little millet initial and advanced varietal trial (LIAVT)

		Contro	Grain yield (Kg/ha)		India	%	Fodde	er yield (k	(g/ha)	India	%	
SL.No.	Entries	Centre code	2015- 16	2016- 17	2017- 18	Mean	over best check	2015- 16	2016- 17	2017- 18	Mean	over best check
1	LMV511	DLM	1596	1646	1550	1597	2.55	6200	8017	6232	6816	-8.62

		95									
2	JK 8 (Check)		1170	1380	1406	1319	5200	5639	4189	5009	
	OLM 203										
3	(Check)		1385	1553	1503	1480	6000	8193	8019	7404	
4	BL 6 (Check)			1694	1419	1557		7259	6592	6926	

Table 7c: Performance of entries over two years in Little millet initial and advanced varietal trial (LIAVT)

		Centre	Grain yiel	d (Kg/ha)	India	% over	Fodder yie	eld (Kg/ha)	India	% over
SL.No.	Entries	code	2016-17	2017-18	Mean	best check	2016-17	2017-18	Mean	best check
1	LMV512	WV 126	1661	1593	1627	4.3	7334	5892	6613	-22.57
2	LMV513	DHLT 28-4	1798	1599	1699	8.33	7345	6521	6933	-16.91
3	JK 8 (Check)		1380	1406	1393		5639	4189	4914	
4	OLM 203 (Check)		1553	1503	1528		8193	8019	8106	
5	BL 6 (Check)		1694	1419	1557		7259	6592	6926	

Table 7d: Pedigree of varieties evaluated in Little millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial (LIAVT) Kharif 2017

S. No.	Entries	Centre code	Trial Code	Centre	Level of Testing	Pedigree
1	LMV 511	DLM 95	LIAVT -1	Dindori	3rd year	Selection from local of Sherajhar
2	LMV 512	WV 126	LIAVT -2	Waghai	2nd year	Local Collection from DangsTaluka, Dangs District
3	LMV 513	DHLT 28-4	LIAVT -3	Hanumanamatti	2nd year	CO 2 x TNAU 26
4	LMV 514	OLM 217	LIAVT -4	Berhampur	1st year	OLM 217 Selection from Udayagiri Local Bhubaneswear
5	LMV 515	WV 167	LIAVT -5	Waghai	1st year	Local Collection from SubirTaluka, Dangs District
6	LMV 516	IIMR LM 7012	LIAVT -6	IIMR Hydrabad	1st year	Selection from Ipmr 699
7	LMV 517	OLM 233	LIAVT -7	Berhampur	1st year	OLM 233 Selection from Kandhamal Local(L55) Berhampur
8	LMV 518	IIMR LM 7162	LIAVT -8	IIMR Hydrabad	1st year	Selection from GPMR 1153
9	LMV 519	TNPSu 183	LIAVT -9	Athiyandal	1st year	CO 2 x MS 4729
10	LMV 520	GPUL 4 (MLT9)	LIAVT -10	Bengaluru	1st year	JK 8 x Peddasame
11	LMV 521	TNPSu 186	LIAVT -11	Athiyandal	1st year	MS 507 x MS 1211
12	LMV 522	GPUL 5 (252)	LIAVT -12	Bengaluru	1st year	JK 8 x Peddasame
13	LMV 523	WV 125	LIAVT -13	Waghai	1st year	Local Collection from WaghaiTaluka, Dangs District
14	LMV 524	RLM 37	LIAVT -14	Rewa	1st year	Selection from local germplasm No. 37
15	LMV 525	RLM 367	LIAVT -15	Rewa	1st year	Selection from local germplasm No. 367
16	JK 8 (Check)	-	LIAVT -16	Rewa	check	Selection from local germplasm
17	OLM 203(Check)	-	LIAVT -17	Berhampur	check	Pureline selection from Lakshmipur local

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8. Barnyard millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial: *Kharif 2017*

In this trial six entries and two checks (VL 172 and VL 207) were evaluated across 13 centres spread over seven Barnyard millet growing states for grain and fodder yield and other agronomic traits (Table 8, 8a, 8b, 8c, 8d and Tables 8.1 to 8.6).

- Days to 50% flowering and maturity: The entries took 46 to 63 days to 50% flowering and 87 to 99 days for maturity.
- Plant height: Plant height ranged from 100 to 140cm.
- Grain Yield: The entry BMV 581 (2092 kg/ha) was ranked first in the trial and significantly superior in grain yield over the check best check VL 207 (1880 kg/ha). The entries BMV 582 and BMV 586 were superior to check VL 172 but inferior to best check VL 207.
- Fodder yield: The entries BMV 584 (8042 kg/ha), BMV 582 (7885 kg/ha), BMV 583 (7805 kg/ha) and BMV 586 (7203 kg/ha) were significantly superior for fodder yield to the best check VL 207 (6662 kg/ha).

Remarks: The entry BMV 581 was superior in grain yield to the best check and on par with the best check for fodder yield.

Table 8: Summary performance of varieties in Barnyard millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial: Kharif 2017

S. No.	Entries	Grain yield (kg/ha)		Fodder yield (kg/ha)		Days to 50 % Flowering	Days to Maturity	Plant Height (cm)	No. of Productive tillers
		Average	R	Average	R	Average	Average	Average	Average
1	BMV 581	2092	1	6519	6	50	87	119	3
2	BMV 582	1842	3	7885	2	60	95	137	4
3	BMV 583	1740	8	7805	3	63	99	137	4
4	BMV 584	1767	6	8042	1	60	97	140	4
5	BMV 585	1763	7	5578	9	46	87	100	4
6	BMV 586	1822	4	7203	4	56	92	136	4
7	VL 172 (Check)	1792	5	6405	7	51	89	123	4
8	VL 207 (Check)	1880	2	6662	5	55	92	123	3
9	Local check	1464	9	6214	8	55	94	124	4
	All India mean	1843		6959		55	92	127	4
	C.D. (5%)	355		1247		3	3	8	0
	C.D. (1%)	471		1652		4	5	10	1
	C.V. (%)	23.78		22.79		6.41	4.72	8	10.91
	P-value			0.001		0	0	0	0.069

Comparative performance of entries: The entry BMV 581 was superior for grain yield by 14.34% over the check and 10.13% over the check VL 207 but inferior in fodder yield by 2.19% over the best check. More than 15% fodder yield over the best check was recorded by the entries, BMV 584 and BMV 582.

Table8a: Comparative performance of entries in Barnyard millet Initial and Advanced varietal trial (BIAVT)

S.	Entriest	Mean Grain		ease /decrease cks for grain yield	Fodder Yield	% Increase /decrease over best	Days to
No.	code	yield (kg/ha)	VL 172	VL 207	(kg/ha)	check (VL 207)	maturity
1	BMV 581	2092	14.34	10.13	6519	-2.19	87
2	BMV 582	1842	2.71	-2.06	7885	15.51	95
3	BMV 583	1740	-2.99	-8.05	7805	14.64	99
4	BMV 584	1767	-1.41	-6.40	8042	17.16	97
5	BMV 585	1763	-1.64	-6.64	5578	-19.43	87
6	BMV 586	1822	1.65	-3.18	7203	7.51	92
7	VL 172 (Check)	1792	0.00	-4.91	6405	-4.01	89
8	VL 207 (Check)	1880	4.68	0.00	6662	0.00	92
9	Local check	1464	-22.40	-28.42	6214	-7.21	94
	All India mean	1843			6959		92

Performance of entries over three and two years in Barnyard millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial:

The varietal performance of Barnyard millet varieties over three years of testing indicated that the entry BMV 581 gave higher yield of 8.36 % over the best check and was on par with the check for fodder yield. In two years performance of varieties, BMV 582 was on par with the best check in grain yield and superior by 16.98 % in fodder yield over best check.

Table 8b: Performance of entries over 3 year in Barnyard millet initial and advanced varietal trial (BIAVT)

		0	Grair	n yield (K	g/ha)	India	%	Fodd	er yield (k	(g/ha)	India	0/
S.No.	Entries	Centre code	2015- 16	2016- 17	2017- 18	Mean	over best check	2015- 16	2016- 17	2017- 18	Mean	% over best check
1	BMV 581	VL 249	2417	2147	2092	2219	8.36	5000	5222	6519	5580	-9.23
2	VL 172 (Check)		2220	2042	1792	2018		5500	4998	6405	5634	
3	VL 207 (Check)		2200	2019	1880	2033		5600	6025	6662	6096	

Table 8c: Performance of entries over 2 years in Barnyard millet initial and advanced varietal trial (BIAVT)

SI.	Entries	Centre code	Grain yield (Kg/ha)		India	% over	Fodder yield (Kg/ha)		India	% over
No.	Entitles	Certife code	2016-17	2017-18	Mean	best check	2016-17	2017-18	Mean	best check
1	BMV 582	DHBM 99-6	2121	1842	1982	1.61	7397	7885	7641	16.98
2	VL 172 (Check)		2042	1792	1917		4998	6405	5702	
3	VL 207 (Check)		2019	1880	1950		6025	6662	6344	

Table 8d. Pedigree of varieties evaluated in Barnyard millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial (LIAVT) Kharif 2017

SI. No.	Entries	Centre code	Trial code	Centre	Level of Testing	Pedigree
1	BMV 581	VL 249	BIAVT -1	Almora	3rd year	VL 200 x VB 409
2	BMV 582	DHBM 99-6	BIAVT -2	Hanumanmatti	2nd year	VL 14 x IEC -566
3	BMV 583	TNEf 204	BIAVT -3	Athiyandal	1st year	K 1 x VL 200
4	BMV 584	DHBM 19-7	BIAVT -4	Hanumanmatti	1st year	K-52 XIEC-566
5	BMV 585	RBM 36	BIAVT -5	Rewa	1st year	Selection from local germplasm No. 36
6	BMV 586	DHBM 33	BIAVT -6	Hanumanmatti	1st year	VL-14 XIEC-566
7	VL 172 Check)	-	BIAVT -7	Almora	check	VL 177 x GECH 506
8	VL 207 (Check)	-	BIAVT -8	Almora	check	VL 172 x GECH 504

9. Proso millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial: Kharif 2017

In this trial four entries and three checks (TNAU 164, GPUP 21 and TNAU 151) were evaluated across ten centres spread over sevenproso millet growing states for grain and fodder yield and other agronomic traits (Table 9, 9a, 9b, 9c and Tables 9.1 to 9.6).

- Days to 50% flowering and maturity: The entries took 46 to 52 days to 50% flowering and 79 to 84 days for maturity.
- Plant height: Plant height ranged from 79 to 111cm.
- Grain Yield: The entry PMV 444 (1882 kg/ha) is superior to all the checks in grain yield.PMV 441 (1822 kg/ha) and PMV 442(1814 kg/ha) were on par with the best check TNAU 164.
- Fodder yield: The entries PMV 441 (5303 kg/ha) gave more yield than all the entries and on par with the best check TNAU 164 (5280 kg/ha).

Remarks: The entryPMV 444 was superior to the best check in grain yield but inferior in fodder yield with best check. PMV 441 is on par with best checks in grain yield and fodder yield.

Table 9: Summary performance of varieties in Proso millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial: Kharif 2017

S. No.	Entries	Grain Yield (kg/ha)	eld Yield /ha) (kg/ha)		Days to 50 % Flowering	Days to Maturity	Plant Height (cm)	No. of Productive tillers	
		Average	R	Average	R	Average	Average	Average	Average
1	PMV 441	1822	4	5303	1	46	79	97	6
2	PMV 442	1814	5	4838	7	47	80	79	6
3	PMV 443	1521	8	4804	8	47	81	87	6
4	PMV 444	1882	2	4995	5	47	79	84	5
5	TNAU 164 (Check)	1842	3	4966	6	48	80	85	6
6	GPUP 21(Check)	1751	6	5280	2	52	84	88	5

7	TNAU 151 (Check)	1609	7	5173	3	48	80	88	4
8	Local Check	2043	1	5155	4	46	81	111	14
	All India mean	1774		5064		48	80	89	6
	C.D. (5%)	580		1044		5	5	18	2
	C.D. (1%)	789		1409		7	6	24	2
	C.V. (%)	21.63		15.92		8.81	5.46	18.57	28.04
	P-value	0.551		0.955		0.333	0.481	0.619	0.147

Comparative performance of entries: The entries PMV 444 was superior by 14.51% over the check TNAU 151, 6.96 over the check GPUP 21 for grain yield. PMV 441 and PMV 442 were gave more than 10% superior yield over the check TNAU 151 for grain yield. PMV 441 gave more fodder yield than best check GPUP 21.

Table 9a: Comparative performance of entries in Proso millet Initial and Advanced varietal trial (PIAVT)

S.	Entries	Mean Grain		/decrease over or grain yield	Fodder Yield	% Increase /decrease Over	Days to maturity	
No.	Littilos	Yield (kg/ha)	GPUP 21	TNAU 151	(kg/ha)	Bestcheck (GPUP 21)		
1	PMV 441	1822	3.90	11.69	5303	0.43	79	
2	PMV 442	1814	3.47	11.30	4838	-9.14	80	
3	PMV 443	1521	-15.12	-5.79	4804	-9.91	81	
4	PMV 444	1882	6.96	14.51	4995	-5.71	79	
5	TNAU 164 (Check)	1842	4.94	12.65	4966	-6.32	80	
6	GPUP 21(Check)	1751	0.00	8.11	5280	0.00	84	
7	TNAU 151 (Check)	1609	-8.83	0.00	5173	-2.07	80	
8	Local Check	2043	14.29	21.24	5155	-2.42	81	
	All India mean	1774			5064		80	

Performance of entries over two years in Proso millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial: The varietal performance of Proso millet varieties over two years of testing indicated that the entry PMV 441gave higher yield of 5.57 % over the check and superior by 3.01 % in fodder yield over the best check. PMV 442 gave more grain yield (1.81%) than check but inferior to check in fodder yield (-3.19%) than check.

Table 9b: Performance of entries over two years in Proso millet initial and advanced varietal trial (PIAVT)

		Centre	Grain yiel	Grain yield (Kg/ha)		% over	Fodder yield (Kg/ha)		India	% over
S.No.	Entries	code	2016-17	2017-18	Mean	best check	2016-17	2017-18	Mean	best check
1	PMV 441	TNPm 238	1962	1822	1892	5.57	3992	5303	4648	3.01
2	PMV 442	GPUP 25	1825	1814	1820	1.81	3898	4838	4368	-3.19
3	GPUP 21 (Check)		1822	1751	1787		3735	5280	4508	
4	TNAU 151 (Check)		1720	1609	1665		3409	5173	4291	

Table 9c.Pedigree of varieties evaluated in Proso millet Initial and Advanced Varietal Trial (PIAVT)

S. No.	Entries	Centre code	Trial Code	Centre	Level of Testing	Pedigree
1	PMV 441	TNPm 238	PIAVT -1	Athiyandal	2 nd year	Selection from IPM 19
2	PMV 442	GPUP 25	PIAVT -2	Bengaluru	2 nd year	GPMS 109 x GPMS 908
3	PMV 443	TNPm 244	PIAVT -3	Athiyandal	1 st year	TNAU 145 x PV 4824
4	PMV 444	TNPm 247	PIAVT -4	Athiyandal	1 st year	PV 1403 x PV 1673
5	TNAU 164 (Check)	-	PIAVT -5	Athiyandal	check	TNAU 137 x CO 4
6	GPUP 21 (Check)	-	PIAVT -6	Bengaluru	check	GPUP 14 x K1
7	TNAU 151 (Check)	-	PIAVT -7	Athiyandal	check	TNAU 96 x PV 1673

II. Sharing of breeding materials

Breeding materials are being shared among centres in all the crops and during this year, Breeding materials of 29 crosses (parents and segregating materials) contributed from 6 centres were shared among 10 centres. The details of breeding materials contributed, distributed and utilized are as follows (Tables 10, a, 10b, 10c and 10d).

Table 10a: Details of breeding materials of all the six millets shared among centres during 2017-18

S.No.	Centres	Crop	Generation	Cross	Contributing centre
1	Guntur	Proso millet	F ₃	GPUP 8 x K1	PC Unit, Bengaluru
		Proso millet	F ₂	TNAU151 x TNPm 259 TNAU 202 x TNPm 260 TNAU 145 x TNPm 256 TNAU164 x TNPm 254	Athiyandal
			Parents	TNPm 266 , TNpm 280	Athiyandal
		Foxtail millet	F ₂	SiA 3156 x TNSi 362, SiA 3156 x TNSi 352, Co 5 x TNSi 363 Co 7 x TNSi 357, SiA 306 x TNSi 351, SiA 306 x TNSi 360 Co 6 x TNSi 368	Athiyandal
			Parents	TNSi 389, TNSi 403, TNSi 419 TNSi 363, TNSi 358, TNSi 386 TNSi 306, TNSi 395, TNSi 416 TNSi 408, TNSi 392, TNSi 404	Athiyandal
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	Vizianagaram	Finger millet	F ₆	Indaf-5 x GE 2712(Cox) Indaf-5 x GE 2625(Purple) Indaf-5 x GE 2936(Long earhead)	Mandya
2	Dholi	Proso millet	F ₃	GPUP 8 x K1	PC Unit, Bengaluru
3	Jagdalpur	Little millet	F ₂	BL 6 x TNPSu 214, BL 6 x TNPSu 206	Athiyandal

		Finger millet	F ₆	Indaf-5 x GE 2712(Cox) Indaf-5 x GE 2625(Purple) Indaf-5 x GE 2936(Long earhead)	Mandya
4	Waghai	Little millet	F ₄	JK8 x Peddasame	Bengaluru
		Finger millet	F ₆	Indaf-5 x GE 2712(Cox) Indaf-5 x GE 2625(Purple) Indaf-5 x GE 2936(Long earhead)	Mandya
		Finger millet	F ₆	KOPN 235 x IE 2340 KWFM 49 x KOPN 565	Kolhapur
5	Rewa	Little millet	F ₂	JK 8 x TNPSu 217 JK 8 X TNPSu 208	Athiyandal
		Kodo millet	Mutant of x- rays	DPS-14m	Dindori
6	Kolhapur	Little millet	F ₄	JK8 x Peddasame	Bengaluru
		Finger millet	F ₆	Indaf-5 x GE 2712(Cox) Indaf-5 x GE 2625(Purple) Indaf-5 x GE 2936(Long earhead)	Mandya
		3	F ₃	VR 847 x VR 900 VR 847 x VR 708	Vizianagaram
7	Berhampur	Little millet	F ₂	OLM 203 x TNPSu 211 OLM 203 X TNPSu 219	Athiyandal
8	Athiyandal	Little millet	F ₄	JK8 x Peddasame	Bengaluru
		Proso millet	F ₃	GPUP 8 x K1	PC Unit, Bengaluru
			F ₃	VR 847 x VR 900 VR 847 x VR 708	Vizianagaram
		Finger millet	F ₆	Indaf-5 x GE 2712(Cox) Indaf-5 x GE 2625(Purple) Indaf-5 x GE 2936(Long earhead)	Mandya
			F ₆	KOPN 235 x IE 2340 KWFM 49 x KOPN 565	Kolhapur
9	Almora	Finger millet	F ₆	Indaf-5 x GE 2712(Cox) Indaf-5 x GE 2625(Purple) Indaf-5 x GE 2936(Long earhead)	Mandya

The reports on utilization from Waghai, Bengaluru and Berhampur have been received and the results on utilization are as follows.

Table 10b: Details of breeding materials evaluated for utilization at Waghai

,	S. No.	Cross/ Entry Name	Days to 50 % flowering	Days to maturity	Grain yield (kg/plot)	Straw yield (kg/plot)	Remarks/ Utilization in further crop improvement
	1	Indaf-5 x GE 2712 (Cox)	90	120	1.250	4.000	Open type earhead as character with medium duration

2	Indaf-5 x GE 2625 (Purple)	80	110	3.160	3.600	Semi-Compact Purple colourearhead as marker character with bold grain size and early maturing		
3	Indaf-5 x GE 2936 (Long earhead)	97	128	2.170	3.900	Long earhead as marker character with long duration		
4	KOPN 235 x IE 2340	103	134	2.030	4.920	Semi-Compact type earhead as character with long duration		
5	KWFM 49 x KOPN 565	100	131	1.430	4.000	Open earhead as character with long duration		
6.	GNN-6 (local check)	80	125	3.20	4.60	Compact type earhead as character with long duration and reddish brown seeded		
7.	GNN-7 (local check)	79	127	2.88	4.20	Semi-Compact type earhead as character with long duration and white seeded		

Results: The crosses *viz*,Indaf-5 x GE 2625 (Purple), Indaf-5 x GE 2936 (Long earhead), KOPN 235 x IE 2340 will be continued for further evaluation in *Kharif*, 2018 due to its higher yield as well as better character.

Table 10c: Details of breeding materials evaluated for utilization at Waghai

S. No.	Cross/ Entry Name*	Days to 50 % flowering	Days to maturity	Grain yield (kg/plot)	Straw yield (kg/plot)	Remarks/ Utilization in further crop improvement				
1	420	48	79	0.980	5.500	Open type earhead with most				
2	522	44	75	0.830	3.700	early duration which are not suitable for Waghai location due				
3	523	79	109	1.000	6.300	to heavy rainfall pattern which				
4	318	84	114	0.480	2.200	long lasting up to four-five				
5	321	43	74	0.960	1.600	months.				
6	328	77	107	0.600	2.600					
7	329	43	74	1.000	2.400					
8	331	42	73	0.770	2.400					
9	356	42	73	0.810	1.100					
10	378	43	74	0.920	1.400					
11	380	72	102	0.750	3.000					
12	401	74	104	0.920	4.000					
13	405	42	73	0.940	1.400					
14	431	67	97	1.130	4.000					
15	JK-8 (Parent 1)	42	73	0.700	0.800					
16	Peddasame purple (Early) (Parent 2)	94	125	1.210	9.000					
17	Peddasame purple (Late) (Parent 2)	107	138	1.420	9.700					
18	GV-2	85	136	1.52	8.70	Local check				
19	GNV-3	91	140	1.46	9.60	Local check				
Results	ults: The parents viz, Peddasame purple (Early) and Peddasame purple (Late) will be used for improvement in									

further crossing programme with our local released varieties in *Kharif*, 2018 due to its higher yield as well as better character as mentioned above

*These breeding materials were received from PC Unit, Bengaluru last year.

Table 10d: Details of breeding materials evaluated for utilization at Bengaluru

S. No.	Crop	Cross	No. of lines selected	Generation	Centre (Received from)
1	Finger millet	VR 847 x VR 900	10	F ₇ -F ₈	Vizianagaram
2	Finger millet	VR 847 x VR 708	8	F ₇ -F ₈	Vizianagaram
3	Finger millet	KWFm 45 x KoPN 565	9	F ₇ -F ₈	Kolhapur
4	Finger millet	KoPN 235 x IE2346	7	F ₇ -F ₈	Kolhapur
5	Finger millet	Indaf 5 x GE2656	13	F ₇ -F ₈	Mandya
6	Finger millet	Indaf 5 x GE2712	13	F ₇ -F ₈	Mandya
7	Finger millet	Indaf 5 x GE2936	4	F ₇ -F ₈	Mandya
8	Foxtail millet	Co 6 x TNSi 359	6	F ₃₋ F ₄	Athiyandal
9	Foxtail millet	Co 7 x TNSi 365	2	F ₃₋ F ₄	Athiyandal
10	Foxtail millet	CO 6 x TNSi 355	6	F ₃₋ F ₄	Athiyandal
11	Little millet	CO 4 x TNPSu 213	2	F ₃₋ F ₄	Athiyandal
12	Little millet	CO 4 x TNPSu 221	7	F ₃₋ F ₄	Athiyandal
13	Proso millet	CO 5 x TNPm 255	4	F ₃₋ F ₄	Athiyandal

Utilization at Berhampur: F₂ generation seeds of 5 single plants each of two crosses (OLM 203 x TN PSU-211 and OLM 203 x TN PSU-219) received from PC unit during *Kharif 2017*. A total 69 single plants from OLM 203 x TN PSU-211 and 63 single plants from OLM 203 x TN PSU-219 cross have been selected basing on desirable plant types and yield.

Utilization at Athiyandal

Finger millet: Farmers growing finger millet during *kharif* season under rainfed condition especially in Dharmpuri, Krishnagiri and Erode districts in the western and north western zones of the state prefer medium to long duration varieties. They require good fodder yield and hence, go for varieties with palatable straw of high quality. The earheads should be large, incurved or top curved with non-shattering trait. The colour of the grains needs to be copper red or dark in colour with high bulk density which would result in good flouring capacity. Hence, the segregating materials from Indaf 5 x GE 2625 were very useful. Since the materials are in F₆ generation only 3 homogeneous populations were derived. The cross, Indaf 5 x GE 2712 (Cox) gave good grain yield. However, the high girth of the culm and irregular head shape might not be preferred by the farmers for want of straw palatability and ease for manual harvesting. So, only two homogenous populations were selected. Though the third cross Indaf 5 x GE 2936 (Long earhead) from mandya had good fodder yield and long duration, the progenies are more susceptible to lodging and the earheads also toppled. Hence, only 1 family was selected.

The progenies of the crosses from Kolhapur *viz.*, KOPN 235 x IE 2340 and KWFM 49 x KOPN 565 were of short duration types with small sized earheads. They were susceptible to finger and neck blasts. However, a few traits such as bold seeds, red seed colour and up-right flag leaf (expected to be drought tolerant), 2 and 1 families were chosen respectively.

The F_3 progenies of two crosses *viz.*, VR 847 x VR 900 and VR 847 x VR 708 received from vizianagaram were segregating in the F_4 generation sown at CEM, Athiyandal. Based on mean ± 2 SE values for plant height, number of productive tillers/plant, duration, number of fingers/earhead, length of the finger and single plant grain and straw yield a total of 38 and 41 plants were selected respectively for further studies. From each cross, 300 single plants per cross were studied for yield and yield attributing traits.

Little millet: The F_5 generations were raised from JK8 x PP (Late) and JK8 x PP (Early) crosses received from PC Unit, Bengaluru. The populations were more homogenous revealing their homozygosity in the F_5 generation itself except for plant and panicle pigmentation. However, the shoot fly incidence was found to be high (8 to 12.5%). The simultaneous emergence of the panicles and incomplete exertion of the panicle were the difficulties noticed in the progenies. Inspite of it, 11 and 3 families were selected for further studies in the two crosses respectively based on panicle size, boldness of the seeds, lodging tolerance and fodder yield.

Proso millet: The F_3 progenies of the cross GPU8 x K1 were sown (13 families) to raise F_4 generation. Since they are seeds of single plants, no variation was seen in the progenies. Between the lines also there is not much variation. All the families had loose and spreading panicles. The 13 families are chosen based on bold seeds and lodging resistance.

III. DUS Testing in Small Millets

Progress report

During the *Kharif 2017*, DUS characterization has been done for Finger millet, Foxtail millet, Kodo millet and little millet lines at two locations, viz. Project Coordinating Unit, Bengaluru (Nodal centre) and Centre of Excellence, TNAU, Athiyandal (Co-Nodal centre). A number of testing entries in Finger millet and foxtail millet in replicated trials and DUS lines of Kodo millet and little millet were characterized for DUS traits along with reference varietal sets as per the DUS guidelines prescribed for each crop by PPV&FRA. The description of the progress report in different millets has been mentioned below.

Finger millet: DUS testing for finger millet has been conducted in PC unit Small millets, AICRP on Small Millets, Bengaluru and Athiyandal, Tamilnadu during *Kharif 2017*. For Finger millet, a total of 5 testing entries in replicated trial and 19 farmer's varieties from Jharkhand along with 77 reference varieties have been characterized as per the DUS guidelines prescribed for finger millet by PPV&FRA. The 5 testing entries include Jibra open type, Jibra semi compact, Amrith pigmented, Amrith non-pigmented and VL 386. The DUS testing entries were sown 4 replications, four rows each of 3.0 m length with spacing of 22x10 cm. Among 19 farmer's varieties, 2 lines did not germinate. For remaining entries DUS characterization has been carried out along with reference set.

For finger millet, a total of 26 characters have considered for DUS characterization. For each character, the range of values was recorded in the coded form. Further, these 26 characters have been grouped in to 18 distinctness characters and 14 grouping characters as per the DUS guidelines prescribed for finger millet crop by PPV&FRA.

Foxtail millet: DUS testing for Foxtail millet has been conducted in PC unit Small millets, AICRP on Small Millets, Bengaluru and Athiyandal, Tamilnadu during *Kharif*2017. For Foxtail millet, a total of 8 testing entries, along with 28 reference varieties have been considered for DUS characterization as per the DUS guidelines prescribed for each crop by PPV @FRA. The 8 testing entries include Chhamar, Chhahar, sephuk, shayam, Juneshe, Panchami, SiA 3179 and DHFT 5-6. The DUS testing entries were sown 4 replications, four rows each of 3.0 m length with spacing of 22x10 cm. For remaining entries, DUS characterization has been carried out. All the entries germinated, except Juneshe and sephuk which are not germinated properly.

For Foxtail millet, a total of 23 characters have been considered for DUS characterization. For each character, the ranges of values were recorded in the coded form. Further, these 23 characters have been grouped in to 15 distinctness characters and 13 grouping characters as per the DUS guidelines prescribed for foxtail millet by PPV&FRA.

Kodomillet: A total of 92 kodo millet lines along with 26 reference varieties where tested in the field for DUS characterization during *Kharif*2017. The DUS lines were sown in 2 rows each of 3.0 m length with spacing of 22x10 cm. Among total 92 lines sown, 44 lines did not germinate. For remaining 48 entries, DUS characterization is carried out as per the DUS guidelines prescribed for Kodo millet by PPV&FRA. According to DUS guidelines, a total of 30 Characters

were recorded in kodo millet for both DUS observation lines and reference variety set. For each character, the ranges of values were recorded in the coded form.

Little millet: A total of 93 little millet (kutki) lines along with 17 reference varieties were tested in the field for DUS characterization during *Kharif*2017. The little millet entries were sown with a spacing of 22 x 10 cm with 2 lines each of 3 m length. Among total 93 lines sown 8 lines did not germinate. For remaining 85 entries, DUS characterization has been carried out as per the DUS guidelines prescribed for little millet by PPV&FRA. According to DUS guidelines, a total of 20 characters were recorded in little millet for both little millet observation lines and reference variety set. For each character, the range of values where recorded in the coded form.

Kutki lines: A total of 21 DUS lines were tested in the field for DUS characterization during *Kharif*2017. The lines were sown with a spacing of 22 x 10 cm with 2 lines each of 3 m length. Among total 21 testing entries sown, 7 entries did not germinate. For remaining 14 entries, which includes 2 little millet lines, 1 bajra, 6 barnyard millet and 5 foxtail millet lines DUS characterization has been carried out as per the DUS guidelines prescribed for each crop by PPV&FRA. According to DUS guidelines, a total of 20 characters for little millet, 23 characters for bajra, 17 characters for barnyard millet and 23 characters for foxtail millet were tested for DUS characterization. For each character, the range of values where recorded in the coded form.

Monitoring of DUS experiments: TheMonitoring of DUS experimentswas conducted at PC Unit of AICRP on Small Millets, Bengaluru and Athiyandal, Tamilnadu on 3rd and 4th November 2017, respectively. The monitoring team consisted of Dr. MV. ChannaByregowda, as Chairman, Dr. TG Nagaratna, Registrar, PPV &FRA and Dr. Prabhakar, Project Coordinator (Small Millets) as members.

IV. Genetic resources

Germplasm Conservation: Project Coordinating Unit of All India Coordinated Project on Small Millets, Bengaluru is also National Active Germplasm Site (NAGS). Its main function is to collect, evaluate, conserve and supply germplasm accessions to needy scientists from different centres. The project Coordinating Unit has maintained 4450, 1413, 966, 1003, 611, 1750 and 28 of finger millet, kodo millet, barnyard millet, little millet, proso millet, foxtail millet and browntop millet accessions respectively. Till now, about 275 accessions of different millets have been supplied to needy researchers(Table 11).

Table 1	1: Germplasm ma	intained, collected, sup	plied	and used	in breeding programme
	_	Total No. of			No. of germplasm

S. No.	Crop	Total No. of germplasm maintained	Exotic collections	No. of germplasm supplied
1	Finger Millet	4450	175	18
2	Kodo Millet	1413	10	-
3	Barnyard Millet	966	14	-
4	Little millet	1003	-	35
5	Proso Millet	611	106	-
6	Foxtail Millet	1750	339	222
7	Browntop millet	28		-
	Total	10,221	644	275

VI. Nucleus and Breeder seed production

Breeder seed production

During the year, the indent of 33.25 quintals of breeder seed was made by DAC, Government of India for all the six crops of small millets. Against the indent, breeder seed allocation of 58.10q was made for production across 12 centres in 9 states. Accordingly, the total production of breeder seed was 67.13q and it is 101.89 % more than the allocation. A surplus breeder seed of 33.88q has been produced. Many centres produced not only the targeted quantity of breeder seed, but also the produced breeder seeds of non-allotted varieties in addition (Tables 12, 13 and 14). The crop-wise breeder seed produced is as below. Details of breeder seed produced state-wise and crop wise are mentioned in Tables

S. No.	Crop	DAC Indent	Production	Surplus/Deficit over DAC Indent
1	Finger millet	17.69	43.78	26.09
2	Kodo millet	6.85	8.80	1.95
3	Foxtail millet	5.99	10.35	4.36
4	Proso millet	0.50	0.50	0.0
5	Barnyard millet	2.00	2.80	0.80
6	Little millet	0.22	0.90	0.68
	Total	33 25	67 13	33.88

Table 12: Breeder seed production during *Kharif 2017*: Crop-wise

Table 13: Breeder seed production during 2017-18: State-wise

S. No.	Name of the Producing Centre	Name of Variety	Year of notification	DAC Indent	Allotment BSP-I	Production	Surplus/ Deficit over DAC indent
1. Utt	arakhand						
	Almora						
	Finger millet	VL 352	2013	0.84	1.50	0.60	-0.24
		VL 315	2006	0.25	0.50	0.40	0.15
		VL 347	2012	0.75	1.25	0.60	-0.15
		VL 348	2017	0.50	1.00	0.50	0.0
	Barnyard millet	VL Madira 207	2008	1.50	2.50	2.30	0.80
				3.84	6.75	4.40	0.56
	Ranichauri						
	Barnyard millet	PRJ 1	2009	0.50	1.00	0.50	0.0
				0.50	1.00	0.50	0.0
		State Total		4.34	7.75	4.90	0.56
2. Kai	rnataka	•					
	Bengaluru						
	Finger millet	GPU 28	1998	2.32	4.00	5.00	2.68
		GPU 48	2009	0.35	0.50	5.00	4.65
		GPU 67	2010	5.12	10.00	6.00	0.88
		ML 365	2009	3.75	6.00	10.00	6.25
		L 5	1999			0.60	0.60

			11.54	32.04	26.60	15.06
Mandya			11.54	32.04	20.00	13.00
Finger millet	MR 6	2008	0.60	1.00	1.50	0.90
goor	KMR 301	2012	0.10	0.20	1.50	1.40
	MR 1	1998	0.15	0.25	1.00	0.85
	Indaf 7	1984	0.05	0.10	3.00	2.95
	KMR 204	2017	0.08	0.20	2.00	1.92
			0.98	1.75	9.00	8.02
Hanumanamatti						
Foxtail millet	HMT 100-1	2009	0.04	0.10	0.10	0.06
			0.04	0.10	0.10	0.06
	State Total		12.56	22.40	35.70	23.14
3. Maharashtra						
Kolhapur						
Finger millet	Phulenachini	2013	0.03	0.05	1.50	1.47
	Dapoli-1	1994	0.02	0.05	0.05	0.03
			0.05	0.10	1.55	1.50
Little millet	Phuleekadashi	2016	0.02	0.05	0.10	0.08
			0.07	0.05	0.10	0.08
	State total		0.07	0.15	1.65	11.58
4.Jharkhand			l l			
Ranchi						
Finger millet	A 404	1993	0.01	0.05	0.16	0.15
	BM 2	1996	0.02	0.05	0.07	0.05
	State Total		0.03	0.10	0.23	0.15
5. Bihar	T				1	
Dholi	- BALLO	1000	0.05	0.50	2.52	0.05
Finger millet	RAU 8	1989	0.25	0.50	0.50	0.25
Proso millet	BR 7	1984	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.0
6. Andhra Pradesh	State Total		0.75	1.00	1.00	0.25
Nandyal					<u> </u>	
Foxtail millet	SiA 3085	2013	3.50	6.00	7.35	3.85
I Oxtall Hilliet	State Total	2013	3.50	6.00	7.35	3.85
7. Chhattisgarh	State rotal		3.30	0.00	7.55	3.03
Jagdalpur						
Finger millet	Chattisgarh -2	2015	1.00	2.00	1.50	0.50
·g - · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Indira Ragi -1 (BR 7)	2012	1.50	2.50	2.30	0.80
	. ,		2.50	4.50	3.80	1.30
Kodo millet	Indira Kodo 1 (BK 1)	2012	2.25	4.00	2.50	0.25
			2.25	4.00	2.50	0.25
	State Total		4.75	8.50	6.30	1.55
8. Madhya Pradesh	<u> </u>				<u> </u>	
Rewa						
Kodo millet						
	JK 155	2000	0.75	1.25	0.70	-0.05
	JawaharKodo 13(JK 13)	2007	1.50	2.50	0.25	-1.25
	JK 106	2009	0.90	1.50	2.00	1.10

		JawaharKodo 439	2005	1.45	2.50	3.35	1.90
				4.60	12.35	4.60	1.70
	Little millet						0.0
		JK 36	2009	0.20	0.40	0.40	0.20
		JK-8		-	-	0.40	0.40
				0.20	0.40	0.80	0.60
		State total		4.80	7.75	7.10	1.90
9	Tamilnadu						
	Athiyandal						
	Foxtail millet	Co-7	2005	2.45	4.00	2.90	0.45
		State total		2.45	4.00	2.90	0.45
		Grand total		33.25	58.10	67.13	33.88

Table 14: Breeder seed production during 2017-18: Variety-wise

S. No.	Name of Variety	Year of Notification	DAC Indent	Production	Surplus/Deficit over DAC Indent
Finger N	lillet				
1.	Chhattisgarh – 2	2015	1.00	1.50	0.50
2.	PhuleNachani	2013	0.03	1.50	1.47
3.	VL Mandua 352	2013	0.84	0.60	-0.24
4.	Indira Ragi-1 (BR-7)	2012	1.50	2.30	0.80
5.	KMR-301	2012	0.10	1.50	1.40
6.	VL Mandua 347 (VL 347)	2012	0.75	0.60	-0.15
7	GPU 67	2010	5.12	6.00	0.88
8	ML-365	2009	3.75	10.00	6.25
9	RATHNA (GPU-48)	2009	0.35	5.00	4.65
10	Divya (MR-6)	2008	0.60	1.50	0.90
11	VL Mandua-315	2006	0.25	0.40	0.15
12	GPU-28	1998	2.32	5.00	2.68
13	VL-348	2017	0.50	0.50	0.00
14	MR-1	1998	0.15	1.00	0.85
15	BM 2	1996	0.02	0.07	0.05
16	DAPOLI-1	1994	0.02	0.05	0.03
17	A-404	1993	0.01	0.16	0.15
18	RAU-8	1989	0.25	0.50	0.25
19	HASTA (INDAF-7)	1984	0.05	3.00	2.95
20	L 5	1999	-	0.60	0.60
21	KMR 204	2017	0.08	2.00	1.92
	Total		17.69	43.78	26.09
Kodo Mi	llet				
1.	Jawahar Kodo-155 (RBK-155)	2000	0.75	0.70	-0.05
2.	JawaharKodo 13 (JK-13)	2007	1.50	0.25	0-1.25
3.	JawaharKodo - 439	2005	1.45	3.35	1.90
5.	JawaharKodo -106	2009	0.90	2.00	1.10
6.	Indira Kodo -1 (BK-1)	2012	2.25	2.50	0.25

	Total		6.85	8.80	1.95
Foxtail M	illet	•		1	1
1.	Co- 7		2.45	2.90	0.45
2.	HMT-100-1	2009	0.04	0.10	0.06
3.	SiA 3085	2013	3.50	7.35	3.85
	Total		5.99	10.35	4.36
Proso M	illet				
1.	BR-7	1984	0.50	0.50	0.0
	Total		0.50	0.50	0.0
Barnyard	Millet				
1.	VL Madira 207	2008	1.50	2.30	0.80
2.	PRJ-1	2009	0.50	0.50	0.0
	Total		2.00	2.80	0.80
Little mil	et				
1	JK 36	2009	0.20	0.40	0.20
2	PhuleEkadashi	2016	0.02	0.10	0.08
3	JK-8		-	0.40	0.40
	Total		0.22	0.90	0.68
	Grand Total		33.25	67.13	33.88

Nucleus seed production

From *Kharif 2017*, the allocation for production of nucleus seed of 6 small millet crops was made in BSP-I to various centres for production along with breeder seed allocation. A total of 450.30 kgs of nucleus seed of varieties of 85 varieties of 6 crops of small millets (finger millet-48, kodo millet-17, 7 each of foxtail millet and little millet, and 3 each of barnyard millet and proso millet) were produced by 17 centres. The varieties included the old and newly released by centres over the years (Table 15).

Table 15: Nucleus seed production during *Kharif 2017*: Centre-wise

S. No.	Centre	Crop	Name of Variety	Year of notification	Nucleus seed (kg)
1	Almora	Finger millet	VL 352	2013	2.0
			VL 315	2006	2.0
			VL 347	2012	2.0
			VL-348	2016	2.0
		Barnyard millet	VL Madira 207	2008	2.0
		Finger millet	PRM 2	2011	-
2	Ranichauri	Barnyard millet	PRJ 1	2009	1.0
		Finger millet	PRB-903	-	1.0
			PRM-1	2009	0.5
			PRM-2	2011	0.5
		Proso millet	PRC-1	2010	0.250
		Foxtail millet	PRK-1	-	0.250
3	PC Unit,	Finger millet	GPU 28	1998	37.1
	Bengaluru		GPU 48	2009	20.0
			GPU 45	2001	18.0

Mandya				GPU 67	2010	23.5
A				ML 365	2009	5.0
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			JK 155	2000	-
			Jawahar	2007	3.5
			Kodo 13 (JK 13)		
			JK-98	2010	2.5
			JK-106	2009	3.5
			JK-439	2005	3.0
			RK-390-25	2012	2.5
			Jawahar	2016	4.0
			Kodo-137		
			JK-41	1986	3.5
			JK-48	2001	3.5
			JK-136	-	4.5
			JNK-101	-	2.0
			JNK-364	-	2.5
15	Dindori	Kodo millet	DPS-9-1	2011	2.9
16	Waghai	Finger millet	GNN-6	2016	12.5
			GN-5	2016	10.5
			GN-4	2006	8.5
			GNN-7	2017	6.5
		Little millet	GV-2	2016	8.8
			GV-3	2018	10.0
17	Athiyandal	Finger millet	CO(Ra)14	1995	4.00
			CO 15	1996	4.00
		Foxtail millet	CO (Te) 7	2005	4.00
		Kodo millet	CO 3	2012	4.00
			TNAU 86	2005	2.00
		Little millet	CO (Samai)4	2008	4.00
		Barnyard millet	CO (KV) 2	2008	4.00
		Proso millet	CO (PV) 5	2007	2.00
			TNAU 145	2007	2.00
			TNAU 151	2008	2.00
			TNAU 164	2009	2.00
			TNAU 202	2017	2.00
			TNPm230	2017	2.00