GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN MINISTRY OF COMMERCE

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CIRCULAR

SUBJECT: - 2023 MULTILATERAL SEMINAR ON DISTRIBUTION AND TRADE

AND AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS FOR BELT AND ROAD

COUNTRIES FROM 29TH JUNE TO 19TH JULY, 2023 (4 SLOTS)

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of self explanatory Office Memorandum No. 3(3)/EA/China-II/2023, dated 2nd June, 2023, received from Ministry of Economic Affairs Division, on the above mentioned subject for placing on the website of the Ministry of Commerce.

2. Interested officers, who fulfill the eligibility criteria may send their nominations, duly approved by their respective Head(s) of the Wing(s) to HR-I Section (along with their C.V and details of availed Foreign Training/Workshops etc), latest by 16-06-2023 positively. Nominations received after the deadline will not be entertained.

Encl: As Above

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Database Administrator, Ministry of Commerce, Islamabad

GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN Ministry of Economic Affairs Economic Affairs Division

No. 3(3)/EA/China-II/2023

Islamabad, the 02nd June, 2023

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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The undersigned is directed to state that Government of People's Republic of China has offered subject Training Course for Government Officers. The Government of Pakistan will not be liable for any cost. The requisite qualification and general requirements are as under (copy enclosed): -

1. Eligibility Criteria

- Officers (BS-17 & above) of Ministries / Divisions / Attached Departments and Provincial Governments most relevant to the training programmes.
- Proficiency in English.
- · Contract employees are not eligible.

2. Documents Required

The following documents (02 sets of each) are required to be sent alongwith the nomination:

- Application Form
- Information Form duly filled in by the nominee.
- FTC Proforma.
- Copy of CNIC
- Copy of Passport at least six months of remaining validity and blank visa pages
- Medical Certificate (Foreigner Physical Examination Form)
- Surety Bond
- Undertaking
- Copy of Covid-19 Full Vaccination Certificate
- For candidate using ordinary passport, No criminal record certificate attested by Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Pakistan will be needed

- 3. Nominations of suitable candidates fulfilling the eligibility criteria duly approved by the competent authority may be forwarded to this Ministry by 05th June, 2023 positively. All Ministries / Divisions / Attached Departments and Provincial P & D Departments must note the following points while nominating the candidates:
 - a. Most relevant candidates should be nominated for the subject training programmes.
 - b. Nomination of candidates should reach EAD before the deadline. Late arrival of nomination after the EADs' deadline will not be entertained.
 - Nomination papers complete in all respect may be forwarded to EAD through proper channel i.e. through their respective Administrative Ministry / Division/ P&D Department.
 - d. For further details / information / forms / FTC proforma EAD's website: www.ead.gov.pk may be visited.

(Pirah Aftab) Section Officek (China-II)

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1. Secretary, Ministry of Commerce, Govt. of Pakistan, Islamabad.

Seminar on Distribution and Trade of Agricultural Products for Belt and Road Countries Project Description

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Full Name	Seminar on Distribution and Trade of Agricultural Products for Belt and Road Countries				
Organizer	Administration and Management Institute, Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs				
Time	June 29-July 19,	2023 Lang	uage	English	
Countries Invited	Belt and Road Countries				
Goal	The Seminar aims to strengthen agricultural communication and cooperation between China and countries along the Belt and Road. Participants will have an overview of China's agro-product distribution and trade and related policies, the trend of development of agricultural product circulation, and trade facilitation measures through the seminar, and build up a connection with Chinese companies or organizations in this regard, laying a foundation for further pragmatic cooperation.				
Requirements of Participation	Academic Background	Field or major: international trade, agricultural modernization agricultural marketing, etc. Position: government officials, researchers, agribusiness manageria staff Level, academic degree or other relevant qualification requirements director's level or general's level officials, bachelor's degree of higher, or assistant professional qualification or higher level. Working experience in related fields: more than 3 years			
	Age	Under 45 for officials at or under director's level; Under 50 for officials at director general's level.			
	Physical Health	In good health; without diseases with which entry to China i disallowed by China's laws and regulations; without severe chronic diseases such as serious hypertension, cardiovascular/cerebrovascular diseases and diabetes; without mental diseases or epidemic diseases that may cause serious threats to public health; not in the process of major postoperative recovery or the process of acute diseases; no seriously limb disabled or pregnant.			
	Language Ability	Sufficient English listening, speaking, reading and writing skills			
	Others	Participants should not bring family members or friends to the seminar.			

This Seminar consists of lectures, site visits, discussions and field trips, etc.

The lectures will be given by experts and professors from the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs, China Agricultural University and other institutions as follows:

- Agricultural Cooperation under the Belt and Road Initiative: introducing China's cooperation with Belt and Road Countries, principle, targets, top design, key fields, action plans, etc.
- China's agricultural and rural reform: including the origin and stages of China's agricultural and rural reform, the important progress, achievements and basic experience of China's agricultural and rural reform.
- 3. Circulation and Policy of Agricultural Products in China: including the development and reform process of China's agricultural product circulation system, the basic situation of supply and demand of the main agricultural product market, the basic pattern of agricultural product circulation, and the support and promotion policies, etc.
- 4. E-commerce of Agricultural Products in China: including the development of China's agricultural product e-commerce, the modals of e-commerce, and the operation of vertical fresh food e-commerce, etc.
- Agricultural Trade between China and the Belt and Road countries: including agricultural trade conditions, support and promotion policies, and trade facilitation measures, etc.
- 6. Inspection and Quarantine of Animal and Plant: including the relevant laws and regulations of China's animal and plant inspection and quarantine, the signing of inspection and quarantine agreements, and policies and measures to promote inspection and quarantine cooperation with countries along the Belt and Road, etc.
- 7. Agricultural Machinery Technology and Product: including the development status of China's agricultural mechanization and foreign cooperation, small-scale agricultural mechanization equipment, agricultural product processing technology and equipment, etc.
- Construction of China's Agricultural Product Quality and Safety System: including agricultural product quality and safety standards, safety status, work system, work system, and main policy measures.

Site visits will include large-scale agricultural wholesale markets, agricultural e-commerce, advanced equipment and technologies of distribution system, etc.

The seminar will also arrange field trips to Lianyungang city of Xiamen province and Shenyang city of Lianning province, visiting local enterprises, exchange with local agricultural officials, and seek opportunities for cooperation in the future.

Besides, the seminar will also bring participants to sightseeing places and tourist attractions for an enriched experience of Chinese history, culture and people.

What's more, the seminar will organize discussions and exchanges. Please prepare to introduce the job content, the distribution and trade development of domestic agricultural products in advance.

Host City	Changping District, Beijing	Local Temperature	22-36°C
Cities to visit	Lianyungang, Xiamen; Shenyang, Liaoning	Local Temperature	Lianyungang 22-33℃; Shenyang 25-32℃

Seminar Content

- 1. Visa: Please confirm that the visa is valid from 5 days before the start of the seminar to 5 days after the end of the seminar.
- 2. Preparation for daily life: ①Please prepare for your study and living according to the seminar arrangement and the weather conditions of the place and the visit. ②You can bring a small amount of frequently used drugs according to your own situation, and it is strictly prohibited to bring illegal and exceeding the limit of drugs into China. ③If you have any religious issues or needs, please communicate with the organizer in advance.
- 3. Baggage requirements: ①Please pay attention to the standard of baggage allowed on international and domestic flights in China. The responsibility for excess baggage fees and missed flights caused by baggage disputes shall be borne by the individual. ②Please confirm whether you need to check your baggage again during the transfer. ③In case of loss of checked baggage, please register with the airline in time. When filling in the registration form, please contact the organizer to confirm the delivery address.
- 4. Missed flight and pick-up arrangement: ①Please contact the organizer in time if you are not able to follow the original itinerary or missed the connecting flight due to a delay of the previous one. ②The organizer will receive you at the destination airport. After claiming the luggage, please find the staff holding a sign with the name of the institute at the International Arrival Exit (or Domestic Arrival Exit). In case of any abnormal situation, please contact the organizer in time.
- 5. Ticket refund and change: If you change the ticket without consent or refund or change the ticket due to personal reasons, the expenses and liabilities incurred shall be borne by the individual.
- 6. Please prepare a country report (10 min) for presentation during the seminar. It should cover the profile of national agricultural products distribution and trade, major challenges, policies taken and the effects.

The Administration and Management Institute (AMI) is directly affiliated with the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs (MARA). Its responsibilities include: ①Undertaking training for officials in China's agricultural system, semi-senior and senior professionals, rural talents with practical skills, new types of agribusiness, and agricultural officials of developing countries; ②Disseminating government policies and measures; ③Conducting research on key issues such as agricultural laws and regulations, rural land and resources, rural social governance, agricultural and rural economy, modern agriculture development, etc.; ④Providing consultancy and support on the above mentioned research areas.

About the Organizer The Institute attaches great importance to international training. It has set up a working group led by the President, and particular divisions to implement training programs. It has established a complete system of training in accordance with the foreign affairs regulations and international training requirements of the State. AMI has undertaken agricultural international exchange and training since 2004. By the end of 2022, the Institute has organized more than 100 seminars and training programs, receiving over 2200 agricultural officials from all over the world. Boasted by its training advantages in agricultural policies and management, together with considerate and people-friendly service, AMI has won wide acclaim from participants and relevant authorities of participating countries. The Institute has organized multiple seminars on distribution and trade of agricultural products, agricultural management, accumulating rich resource and experience in this regard.

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