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FOOD SECURITY PROJECT 391-0491
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SHORT-TERM CONSULTANTS REPORT
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Objectives

The objectives of the short-term consultancy were (1) to manage FFGI Pakistan Office in absence of Richard Maxon, Chief-of-Party, during his tour in US to prepare for permanent post in Pakistan; (2) to originate, support, and participant in Phase I of the detail planning of a bulk wheat handling and storage pilot project which encompasses short-term consultancies by Ekramul Haque, Agricultural Engineer, Henry Lembeck, Consulting Engineer, and Richard Wilson, Consulting Engineer; (3) to assist where possible in project training activities involving training programmes for researchers and training cadre personnel.

Activities and Accomplishments: Project Activities

Bulk Storage Resolved that modification 1 of Contract had been signed and the original sent to Kansas State University. Coordinated clearance and in-country itinerary for Engineering Team working on Phase I of detailed plan for Bulk Wheat Handling and Storage Pilot Project. Supported team logistically. Discussed with team parameters and concepts of detailed plan. Participated in Team debriefing session with MINFA and Working Group officials.

Investigated whether clearance had been granted for an invitational study trip for MINFA/PASSCO personnel involving bulk storage of wheat. As of this end of tour, no information could be elicited as to status of invitational study trip. One must assume that it will not be feasible for this study trip to be conducted in calendar year 1986 because proposed timing for study trip June 15 - July 05 is too short for clearance and preliminary arrangements to be made. Any later date in calendar year 1986 will not suffice to accomplish goals of trip.

Research No activities conducted under this category.

Training Investigated status of nominations for training for researchers and for trainees to go to FFGI's Grain Storage and Marketing Short Course (GSMSC). Nomination process still proceeding through GOP bureaucracy. At the end of tour no nominations were in hand for GSMSC. This means that if nominations are not forthcoming by May 15 at least, no Pakistani participants will be able to attend the GSMSC which begins on June 8.

Post-Harvest Information No activities were conducted under this component.

Activities and Accomplishments: Logistics

Managed local office. Staff indoctrination conducted.

Concerns and Constraints

In previous TDY report encompassing period January 22 to March 5, two major constraints were set forth.

At this time, both constraints still exist although some limited progress has apparently been made to resolve the PC-1 funding issue.

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