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Dr. Jack K. Williams
President
Texas A&M University
College Station, Texas 77843

Subject: Grant No. AID/DSAN-G-0017
Specific Support Grant
Cognizant Technical Office:
DS/AGR/CP

Dear Dr. Williams:

Pursuant to the authority contained in the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, the Agency for International Development (hereinafter referred to as "A.I.D." or "Grantor") hereby grants to Texas A&M University (hereinafter referred to as "Texas A&M" or "Grantee") the sum of \$25,000 to provide partial support for a Utilization and Evaluation Workshop on Internationally Important Sorghum Diseases as more fully described in the attachment to this Grant entitled "Program Description".

This Grant is effective and obligation is made as of the date of this letter and shall apply to commitments made by the Grantee in furtherance of program objectives during the period June 1, 1978 through October 31, 1979.

This Grant is made to Texas A&M on condition that the funds will be administered in accordance with the terms and conditions as set forth in Attachment A entitled "Program Description", and Attachment B entitled "Standard Provisions", which have been agreed to by your organization.

Please sign the Statement of Assurance of Compliance, enclosed herein, and the original and seven (7) copies of this letter to acknowledge your acceptance of the conditions under which these funds have been granted.

CERTIFIED A TRUE COPY THIS

1st DAY OF August 78
BY Blanca Hinton

Please return the Statement of Assurance of Compliance and the original and six (6) copies of this Grant to the Office of Contract Management.

Sincerely yours,



Morton Darvin
Grant Officer
Agriculture/Nutrition Branch
Central Operations Division
Office of Contract Management

Attachments:

1. Program Description
2. Standard Provisions
3. Statement of Assurance of Compliance

ACCEPTED:

Texas A&M University

By: 

Title: President

Date: 7/15/78

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Fiscal Data

Appropriation	:	72-1181021.3
Allotment	:	843-36-099-00-20-81
PIO/T No.	:	3188982
Project No.	:	931-1156
Total Grant Amount:		\$25,000

Program DescriptionA. Purpose of Grant

The purpose of this Grant is to provide support for a workshop on "Internationally Important Sorghum Diseases" at the International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT), Hyderabad, India. The workshop will be held approximately from December 11 to December 15, 1978.

B. Specific Objectives

The workshop will:

- a. Review the state of knowledge in certain internationally important sorghum diseases with particular emphasis on identification and utilization of host plant resistance.
- b. Stimulate international cooperation in the control of sorghum diseases.
- c. Establish an international coordinated network for identification of stable resistance to sorghum diseases.
- d. Explore the possibilities for integration of resistance with other control practices.

C. Implementation

To achieve the above objectives, the Grantee shall carry out the following activities with funds provided by this Grant:

1. The International Sorghum Program of Texas A&M University and ICRISAT will jointly take leadership in organizing the workshop. The site will be Hyderabad, India, on the campus of ICRISAT, which will serve as the host institution.
2. The intended duration of the workshop is five full days, Monday through Friday. The program will be organized to cover the following diseases: grain molds, stalk rots, leaf diseases, sorghum downy mildew (SDM), smuts, ergot, and virus diseases. Each disease or disease group will be covered by a position paper prepared by the appropriate invitee. The position paper will include the following:
 - a. Importance of the disease.
 - b. Screening methods for the disease.
 - c. Sources of resistance to the disease.
 - d. Suggested international screening activity for the disease.
 - e. Other control measures for the disease.
 - f. Areas where research priorities are needed within each disease.
3. The position paper will be prepared by August 1, 1978, duplicated by ICRISAT and sent to all invitees. Following the position papers will be presentations of current research and then discussion sessions over each topic area. About 45 scientists working with sorghum will participate in the week's activities.

4. End products of the workshop will include a comprehensive proceedings, a proposed plan for future international cooperation in the control of sorghum diseases and an international coordinated network for identification of stable resistance to sorghum diseases.
5. Participants will be invited from at least the following countries:

El Salvador	Senegal	Zambia/	Mexico	Australia
Brazil	Nigeria	Malawi/	India	Tanzania
Bolivia	Ethiopia	Botswana	Niger	Pakistan
Thailand	Kenya	Veneuela	Egypt	Philippines
6. A few scientists from the United States with extensive experience with sorghum disease pathology will also participate.
7. A.I.D.'s contribution to workshop costs will be used for travel and per diem of participants from the Americas and for basic costs of publication and related essentials.

D. Reporting

A summary report of the workshop and of the recommendations for future work will be provided to DS/AGR/CP by Texas A&M within 45 days of conclusion of the workshop. A detailed proceeding will be published and DS/AGR/CP will be furnished 100 copies without further charge. Grantee shall submit three copies of all reports listed as being a product of the grant (administrative, progress, final and technical reports containing R&D findings) to the Documentation Coordinator, DS/DIU, Development Support Bureau, Agency for International Development, Washington, D.C. 20523, or his disignee. Such reports shall include a title page showing the title of the report, project title as set forth in this grant and the grant number. One copy of each report shall be clearly typed or printed on white paper so that it may be photographed to produce a microfilm master. Technical reports shall be accompanied by an author-prepared abstract. 10 copies of terminal report for distribution by Project Manager, DS/AGR/CP shall be provided.

E. Budget

The funds herein shall be used to finance the following items:

<u>Cost Element</u>	<u>Total Estimated Costs</u> FR: June 1, 1978 TO: October 31, 1979	<u>Total Obligated Amount</u> FR: June 1, 1978 TO: October 31, 1979
Travel and Per Diem	\$70,000	\$21,250
Program Operations	16,250	2,500
Administrative Costs	8,750	1,250
Total	\$95,000	\$25,000

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The Grantee may not exceed the funds obligated against the Budget. Adjustments among the line items are unrestricted.

The AID contribution to the workshop is \$25,000 to be utilized entirely for travel and per diem of participants and to facilitate rapid preparation and distribution of the proceedings. Preference in travel support will be given to conferees from AID- involved developing countries.

F. Special Provisions

1. Voucher Identification - The following identification data will appear on the face of every voucher submitted for payment:

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Project No.: 931-1156
Project Office: DS/AGR/CP
Project Manager: John M. Yohe

2. Travel - Prior to making any visits to LDCs the grantee will review his plans with DS/AGR/CP. The grantee is required to obtain clearances from USAIDs and concerned Regional Bureaus prior to any visitations to LDCs. He will keep AID missions in countries to be visited fully informed of proposed visits, ask them to provide any advice they wish regarding timing and content of the visits and to participate if they desire, and will inform the Missions of the outcome of consultations. He will make his own appointments and logistics arrangements directly. Upon completion of any project funded travel, 10 copies of the trip report will be provided to the DS/AGR/CP project manager. The report format will be established jointly by the grantee and the project manager.
3. Evaluation: DS/AGR and other AID representatives will evaluate the conference and prepare a PES within 60 days of conclusion of the workshop.
4. AID Attendance: It is recommended that DS/AGR be represented, preferably by its project specialist in cereal grains. USAID mission representatives in countries concerned should be invited to attend either/or participate or observe.
5. Changes to Standard Provisions - The following Standard Provisions are deleted from Attachment B, Specific Support Grant with an Educational Institution:

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5B	10	15
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7A	12A	17
7C	12B	

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