



**Inviting Expression of Interest**  
**for Public Private Partnership for Pulse Production**

Small Farmers' Agribusiness Consortium (SFAC) is an autonomous body promoted by the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture, Govt. of India. SFAC seeks "Expression of Interest" from companies / organizations willing to join SFAC in the development of PPP proposals to enhance pulse productivity and production in India. For full particulars visit website [www.sfacindia.com](http://www.sfacindia.com).

The last date for submitting offers is **2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2015**

Managing Director

**Public Private Partnership (PPP)**  
**for enhancing productivity and production of Pulses**  
**during International Year of Pulses – 2016**

2016 has been declared as the International Year of Pulses (IYOP). Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India has decided to organize a number of events and initiatives during 2016 to highlight the importance of pulses and undertake innovative measures to increase their productivity and production. Small Farmers' Agribusiness Consortium (SFAC) has been identified as one of the implementation agencies to support DAC during IYOP.

SFAC seeks to develop PPP proposals with seed production / technology / farm solutions companies / organizations to achieve the following major goals:-

1. Enhance the overall productivity and production of pulses in an identified geographical zone (district / taluk / block).
2. Increase the availability of quality seed to farmers.
3. Undertake seed production in collaboration with farmers / Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs).
4. Transfer the latest crop production technology to farmers for enhancing productivity and production.
5. Introduce modern technology / mechanization to enhance productivity.
6. Offer pre- and post harvest solutions for better quality, recovery, storage and price realization.
7. Marketing solutions for increasing returns to producers.

The above is an indicative list and can be supplemented with other related objectives. Each PPP partner may offer some and not all interventions proposed above. The core objective is to enhance the productivity of pulses in the country, while at the same time introducing the best varieties and technology to the farmers.

Interested companies / organizations which are engaged in seed production / technology / farm solutions directly relevant to pulses may respond to this offer of "Expression of Interest" by sending their full profile, list of current activities and potential PPP project idea (2 page concept note). A short list of offers will be prepared to

be invited to a “Project Development Conference” to be hosted by SFAC in Feb., 2015 at New Delhi.

Detailed project ideas will be discussed at this conference, following which specific project proposals will be commissioned.

Interested companies may send their full particulars to the **Managing Director, Small Farmers’ Agribusiness Consortium (SFAC), NCUI Auditorium, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, August Kranti Marg, Hauz Khas, New Delhi – 110 016** by 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2015 in a plain envelope titled “Expression of Interest for PPP Project for Pulses”.

**Note:** It is clarified that mere submission of an offer for EOI is not tantamount to any binding commitment by the offerer. It is further clarified that short listing of an offer for invitation to the Project Development Conference is not a guarantee for award of PPP project by SFAC.

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