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CSIR signs agreement with the Metal Industries Development Institute, Ethiopia

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The Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) has entered into an agreement with the Metal Industries Development Institute (MIDI), Ethiopia to implement a twinning programme. The same is aimed at R&D capacity building of MIDI. CSIR has clinched this multi-million US dollar assignment through a process where many international organisations were considered. The twinning is one of the largest programs (in terms of contractual amount) between a CSIR institute and a foreign entity. It should also facilitate CSIR's future collaborations with African Organisations.

Dr. Girish Sahni, Director General, CSIR on the occasion said, "The knowledge base of CSIR in the identified areas could be of immense importance for leveraging the technology capacity of African countries. He invited the industry to join hands with CSIR and its counterparts in respective African countries to deploy the technology for benefitting the masses in the region."

The agreement was signed by the Director of National Metallurgical Laboratory, Jamshedpur (CSIR-NML) on behalf of the participating CSIR Laboratories, and the Director General of Metals Industry Development Institute (MIDI), Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

CSIR will enhance the capacity and capability of MIDI under the twinning arrangement and MIDI will be positioned to emerge as a globally competitive center of excellence in the field of Metals and Engineering, through the twinning programme.

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Hyderabad: Scientists come up with solution for fake seeds

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Scientists at the city-based Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology are working on the Apomixis method of seed production. Apomixis results to the formation of asexual seeds in plants that leads to uniform genetic population. This will help in improving production and eliminate spurious seeds. Farmers need not buy new hybrid seed for every crop planting season.

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CCMB director Dr Rakesh Mishra said, “Farmers need not buy seeds from seed companies but can have choice seeds from their own farms which of the same quality and productivity as their crop as the offspring are genetically identical to the mother plant.”

The Apomixis phenomenon naturally occurs in certain plants like Kentucky Blue-grass. Scientists say that this would help farmers to save the seeds from hybrid plants but still conserve the superior yields.

The CCMB said “Dr Siddiqi’s research group worked on Meiosis and germ cell formation. In plants Meiosis acts as a transition between the two generations. The analysis of plant meiosis is of central importance in understanding early stages of plant reproductive development.”

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