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Dated: 15, June, 2012

To,  
The Secretary,  
Deptt. of Agriculture & Cooperation,  
Ministry of Agriculture,  
Krishi Bhavan,  
New Delhi-110 001

[ Kind attention: Joint Secretary (PP) ]

**Subject: 1<sup>st</sup> Indo-Pak Border meeting of the Field Officers of the Locust Warning Organization (LWO) of India and Pakistan held at Khokrapar ,(Pakistan) side on 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2012 submission of proceedings- regarding.**

Sir,

I have the honour to inform that 1<sup>st</sup> Indo-Pak Border meeting between the Field Officers of Locust Warning Organization of India and Pakistan was held on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2012 at the Khokrapar border point [Pakistan side]. A copy of the same is enclosed for your kind information.

Encl: As above.

Yours faithfully,

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SCAN ✓

The first border meeting of the year 2012 between the Locust Officers of Pakistan and India held on 07<sup>th</sup> June, 2012 at Khokhropar / Munabao border point on Pakistan side at 0800 hours (PST) / 0830 hours (IST). The following officers attended the meeting:-

### PAKISTAN

1. Mr. Azam Khan, Deputy Director (Locust) Hqs, Karachi.
2. Mr. Shams-ur-Rehman, Entomologist, Mirpur Khas.
3. Mr. Abdul Sattar, Assistant Entomologist (L), Mirpur Khas.
4. Mr. Shahbaz, Assistant Entomologist (L), Karachi.

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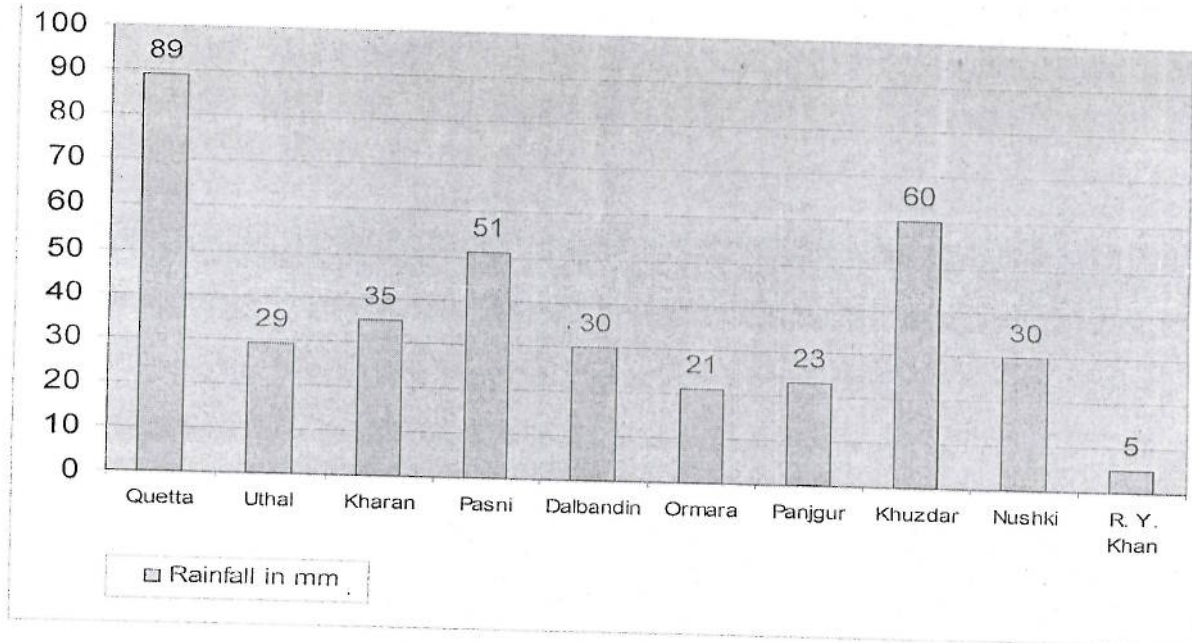
- 1 Mr. K.P Singh, Deputy Director (Engg.), **LWO, JODHPUR**
- 2 Mr. Vageesh Pandey, PPO (Ento.), **LCO, BARMER**
- 3 B.R.Bohra Assistant Plant Protection Officer, **LWO, JODHPUR**
- 4 Mr. Pramod Kumar Gour, SA, **LWO, JODHPUR**

### LOCUST SITUATION IN PAKISTAN

Pakistan remained free from gregarious locust activity during the period from December, 2011 to May, 2012. However, mature solitary adults ranging from 02-100 adults / hectare were observed in 21 localities of Uthal, Pasni, Turbat, Panjgur and Kharan areas of Balochistan during the season. A maximum population of 100 adults/hectare was observed at (2872844N-6518722E) in Kharan area on 08-04-2012. In summer-monsoon breeding zone, the fortnightly survey has recently started w.e.f. 1<sup>st</sup> June, 2012 and the results are awaited.

### WEATHER

Hot & dry weather prevailed in the entire locust breeding areas. Few areas of the winter-spring breeding zone of Balochistan have received some rainfall, where the ecological condition may become favourable for locust breeding. In summer-monsoon breeding zone it is totally dry. Vegetation is



### LOCUST SITUATION IN INDIA:- (1<sup>st</sup> May to 31<sup>st</sup> May 2012)

Scheduled distant and cross country Desert Locust surveys in the Scheduled Desert Area of India and adjacent Indo- Pak border were conducted by the officers and staffs of Locust Warning Organization which revealed that India continued to remain free from any Desert Locust activity.

### **WEATHER**

**Rainfall:** Light rainfall has been reported from some parts of the scheduled desert area of India in the range of 0.1 mm to 26.1 mm. District wise rainfall data is given below.

S.No	District	April, 2012		May, 2012	
		Frequency of rainfall	Highest rainfall with date	Frequency of Rainfall	Highest rainfall with date
1.	Jodhpur	4	17.6 mm on 14.4.12	4	02.2 mm on 09.5.12
2.	Bikaner	3	04.0 mm on 24.4.12	4	23.2 mm on 14.5.12
3	Jaisalmer	4	20.6 mm on 13.4.12	1	01.4 mm on 16.5.12
4	Churu	7	13.3 mm on 18.4.12	6	26.1 mm on 13.5.12
5	Suratgarh	3	22.0 mm on 17.4.12	-	-

seen, however survey may be continued to have a strict vigilance over the area on both sides.

## MISCELLANEOUS

Fortnightly desert locust situation bulletins for previous months of both the countries were exchanged and discussed.

## VENUE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The 02<sup>nd</sup> border meeting of the year 2012 was decided to be held at Munaboa /Khokhropar border point (India Side) on 05<sup>th</sup> July, 2012 (Thursday) at 0900 hours (IST) / 0830 hours (PST).

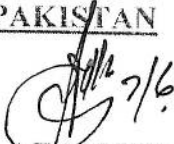
## ACKNOWLEDGMENT


The Locust Officers of both the countries expressed their deep and sincere thanks to the Pakistan Rangers and Border Security Forces of India for extending their full cooperation and support in arranging this meeting at Khokhropar meeting Hall in Pakistan side. Delegates from India thanked Pakistani counterparts for their cordial welcome, hospitality and courteous dealing during the course of meeting.


PLACE: Khokhropar Meeting Hall, Pakistan  
Date: 07<sup>th</sup> June, 2012

## PARTICIPANTS


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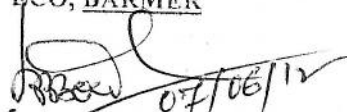
  
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