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PROCEEDING OF THE SIXTH BORDER MEETING BETWEEN THE LOCUST OFFICERS OF PAKISTAN AND INDIA HELD AT KHOKHROPAR / MUNABAO BORDER POINT ON 0800 HOURS (PST) 0830 HOURS (IST) / THE 25th NOVEMBER, 2009

The sixth border meeting of the year 2009 between the Locust Officers of Pakistan and India held on 25th November, 2009 at Khokhropar / Munabao border point at 0800 hours (PST) / 0830 hours (IST). The following officers attended the meeting: -

PAKISTAN

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| 1. | Mr. M. Akbar Zardari | Director (Technical), Hqs
<u>KARACHI</u> |
| 2. | Mr. Shaukat Ali | Assistant Entomologist (L) Hqs.
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| 3. | Mr. Ghulam Qadir Lund | Assistant Entomologist (Locust)
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| 1. | Mr.. K.P. Singh | Deputy Director (Engg)
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| 2. | Mr. C. M. Meena | Asstt. Plant Protection Officer
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LOCUST SITUATION IN PAKISTAN
(23rd October, 2009 to 25th November, 2009)

Pakistan remained free from gregarious locust activity and also no solitary adult population was reported from locust breeding zones during the reporting period.

WEATHER:

Cold and dry weather prevailed in the entire locust breeding areas. No rainfall has been reported during the reporting period in the entire locust breeding areas.

LOCUST SITUATION IN INDIA
(23rd October, 2009 to 25th November, 2009)

Scheduled distant cross country and border Desert Locust surveys in the scheduled desert area of India and adjacent India-Pakistan border were conducted by the officers and staff of the Locust Warning Organization which revealed that India continued to remain free from gregarious Desert Locust activity. Soil moisture was not suitable for locust breeding in the scheduled area.

WEATHER

(a) **Rainfall:** Nil

(b) **Wind direction:** Wind direction at 300 m remained SW to NE during the month of August to September, 2009.

FORECAST:

No Desert Locust activity is expected as temperature has become low and due to absence of rainfall in the summer breeding zone of Pakistan and India. West ward movement of solitary individual locust may take place at limited scale.

MISCELLANEOUS

Fortnightly desert locust situation bulletins were exchanged between the two delegates.

VENUE OF THE NEXT MEETING


The first border meeting of the year 2010 would be held at Munabao / Khokhropar border point on 07th June, 2010 at 0900 hours (IST) / 0830 hours (PST).


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

PLACE: Khokhropar (Pakistan) Meeting Hall.
Date: 25th November, 2009


PAKISTAN

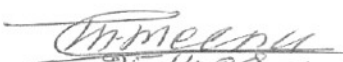

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