PROCEEDING OF THE SECOND BORDER MEETING BETWEEN THE LOCUST OFFICERS OF PAKISTAN AND INDIA HELD AT KHOKHROPAR/MUHABAO BORDER POINT AT 0800 HOURS (PST)/0830 HOURS (IST) ON THE 07TH JULY, 2006.

The second border meeting of the year 2006 between the Locust Officers of Pakistan and India held on 07th July, 2006 at Khokhropar/Munabao border point at 0800 hours (PST)/0830 Hours (IST). The Zollowing Officers/ Officials attended the meeting 1-

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Dy. Director (L) Headquarters

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Assistant Entomologist (L)

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LOGUST SITUATION IN PAKISTAN [18t June to 30th June, 2006)

Pakistan remained free from gregarious desert locust activity during the of June 2006. However, scattered mature solitary adults ranging from 1-8/ha. were observed in 6 localities of Mara and Cholistan deserts of summer/monsoon breeding areas. A maximum population of 8 adults/ha. was observed at Kandera Toba (2754M-7050E) in Cholistan desert of Rahimyar Khan on 29-06-2006. Detail is as under:

Region/Outposts	No. of Locali- -ties.	Range of Popu- -lation/ha	Place of Maximum Population	Date
Rahimyar Khan	3	3 - 8	Kandera Toba (2754K-7050E)	29-06-2006
<u>Sukkur</u> Sukkur	3	1 - 3	Luk (2560 n-6 857E)	26-06-2006

RAINFALL:

Hot and dry weather prevailed over the entire Locust breeding areas. However light to medium rainfall occurred at some places of karn locust breeding areas. Detail report in accordance with quantum of rainfall is as under :-

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Localities	Frequency of Rainfall	Range in mm.	Date where highest rainfall occurred.
Bahawalpur Rahimyar Khan Mirpur Khas Badin Mithi Chhore Khuzdar	2 1 1 1 1 1 2	06 - 08 15 - 0 11 - 0 32 - 1 4 - 6 1 - 8 1 - 0 11-8	19-06-2006 15-06-2006 25-06-2006 26-06-2006 26-06-2006 29-06-2006

FORECAST:

condition for locust activity in summer breeding areas. Small scale breeding is expected to take place in the rainfed areas. Extensive locust surveys are being maintained throughout the summer breeding areas to assess any locust activity.

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Scheduled short, distant and border dessert locust surveys in the scheduled desert area of India and adjacent Indo-Pak border were conducted by the Officers and Staff of Locust Warning Organization which revealed that India continued to remain free from any solitary/gregarious desert locust adult activity. Soil mant moisture was not suitable for locust breeding along Indo-Pak border in the district of Bikamer, Barmer, Inisalmer and Palanpur.

WEATHER:

come parts of the scheduled desert area of India in the range of 0.8 km to 46.2 mm. District wise rainfall data are given below:

S. Ro. District	Frequency of Rainfall	Highest rainfall with date.
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1. Sedhpur 2. Bikaner	· 2	^ 46.2 mm on 29-06-2006 42.2 mm on 30-06-2006
3. Barmer	ź	39.1 == 02. 26-06-2006

⁽b) Wind direction: Wind direction at 300 m remained SW to NE during the month.

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desert locust activity is expected in pockets in summer breeding areas in both the countries, during the month and consequent favourable ecological conditions. Hence strict vigilance on locust development in the scheduled desert Areas will be maintained in both the countries.

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ITSCEDIANEOUS:

- Fortnighly desert locust situation bulletins were exchanged between the two delegates.
- Delegations of the both countries agreed that the Incharges of Wireless Section of both countries should meet in the 03rd meeting for allotment of Frequency for contact between Jodhpur & Karachi.
- 3. Pakistan delegates asked to hold bilateral meeting between Pak-India scheduled to be held in Mew Dehli.
- Both the delegates of Pakistan and India agreed to approach FAO for cash assistance for US\$ 5000/- for each country for FAO special border survey to be carried along the border of both the countries as previously.

VENUE OF THE NEXT MEETING:

The 03rd border meeting of the year 2006 would be held at Munabao /Khokhropar on 07th August, 2006 at 0830 hours (IST)/0800 hours (PST)+

AGENOWLEDGEMENT:

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

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