

F.No. 7(8)/2026-Per.I
Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare
Department of Agricultural Research & Education

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 24th August 2026

To,

The Director,
ICAR-Indian Agricultural Research Institute (IARI),
New Delhi

Subject: Grant of Extension of study leave of Shri Kapil Atmaram Chobhe, Scientist, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi, for a period of 8 months and 15 days, from 17.01.2026 to 31.08.2026, for completion of Ph.D. at Texas A&M University under the Netaji Subhas-ICAR International Fellowship (NS-ICAR)-reg.

Sir,

In continuation of this Department's letter No. Proposal ID:1938-NOCFL-17/1/2023-16/1/2026 dated 15.12.2022, the undersigned is directed to convey the approval of the Competent Authority of this Department to extend the study leave of Shri Kapil Atmaram Chobhe, Scientist, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi, for a period of 8 months and 15 days, from 17.01.2026 to 31.08.2026, for completion of Ph.D. at Texas A&M University under the Netaji Subhas-ICAR International Fellowship (NS-ICAR) in continuation to the earlier approved period of 3 years from 17.01.2023 to 16.01.2026 for completing Ph.D. degree at Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas, United States subject. This period of extension of study leave will be considered leave of kind due and admissible and if the scientist does not have enough leave, then as extraordinary leave. The duration of the foreign visit shall not be further extended under any circumstances.

2. The approval is subject to following conditions:
 - i) Extension shall be granted without any financial liability on the part of DARE/ICAR/Institute.
 - ii) Approval of leave of kind due and admissible by the Competent Authority in ICAR.
3. There is no change in other terms and conditions of fellowship in respect of Shri Kapil Atmaram Chobhe as communicated to the Institute vide this Department's letter No. Proposal ID:1938-NOCFL-17/1/2023-16/1/2026 dated 15.12.2022.

Yours faithfully,

(Anil Singh)

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3. Project Director, DKMA, with request to kindly upload this permission letter on ICAR website.
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