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| **Constitution** | RAC | Each Institute of the Council excluding National Research Centre shall have a research Advisory committee consisting of the following members:   1. An eminent Scientist from outside the ICAR System nominated by the Director-General ICAR   **Chairman**   1. 4-5 external experts (including retired Scientists of ICAR) representing the major areas of research and development programmes of the Institute nominated by the Director-General, ICAR **Members** 2. Director of the Institute **Member** 3. Deputy Director-General concerned with the Institute in the case of IARI, NDRI, IVRI, CIFE and NAARM. In the case of other Institutes, Assistant Director-General concerned with the Institute   **Member**   1. Two persons representing agricultural rural interests on the Management committee of the Institute in terms of Rule 66(a)(5) for the period of their membership of the Management committee   **Member**   1. One Senior level scientist of the concerned Institute nominated by the Director   **Member-Secretary** |

###### Composition of the QRT

The review should be considered as an independent external review, and its membership should be broad-based. The composition of the QRT should be restricted to 5 or 6 eminent scientists, including one management scientist/specialist and the Chairman\* In the case of deemed-to-be- universities, the number of members of the panel may be increased to a maximum of 9, and one of these members may be from the international organization or university. The QRT members should possess generally an expertise in the subject relevant to the programme/institute/unit under review with wider experience of research, education, extension, socio- economic impact analysis and management. They should satisfy the following criteria.

* The Chairman of the QRT should be an eminent scientist having specialized knowledge of the subjects and areas of research covered by the concerned institute/unit, and should possess wider knowledge and experience of such critical reviews in the ICAR or other research organizations. A scientist with broader knowledge and experience should be preferred.
* The composition of the Q RT would be made through joint consultations between the Chairman of the QRT, ICAR Hqrs and the Head of the institute/unit.
* While selecting members, it should be ensured that some of them should be with experience of similar QRT work. Scientists of eminence serving within the National Agricultural Research System (NARS) will also be eligible to become the member of the QRT. One member of the team should be an economist for economic analysis of the research output as well as of the transfer of technology. It would also be desirable that an expert in management is associated with the team.
* The willingness of the Chairman and the members of the QRT shall be ascertained by the ICAR Secretariat of the concerned subject- matter division. The Director of the institute/the Head of the respective unit should be requested to suggest names of the QRT members, which could be taken into consideration along with other suggestions from the ICAR Hqrs.
* Up to 50% of the members could be drawn on the basis of their broad experience in agricultural resea rch/socio-economic research/extension or management. Specialists having broad experience in the management of multidisciplinary programmes should be given preference.
* The Director of the institute/the Head of the respective unit in consultation with the concerned DDG should identify a member as Secretary of the QRT for assisting the Chairman in work. He should be posted with the necessary authority and logistic support for the QRT work. Once the team is commissioned, the responsibility should be entrusted to the Institute/unit for providing the necessary assistance till the team submits its report. The DDG should monitor the process the interest of QRT, and ensure that all the requisites of the QRT are fulfilled.
* A single QRT would be constituted for each of the institute/unit. If the heads of the institutions also perform the functions of co-ordination of AICRPs, and also operate KVK/TTC, then the QRT constituted for the institute/unit will also review functioning of the AICRP, KVK and TTC. In such cases, one of the QRT members must be an expert in agricultural extension. Review of the range of activities being performed by the same institute should be the mandate of the QRT for the institute, as it provides insights on the efforts made and success achieved in harmonizing different functions of the institute. For review of the KVKs/TTCs, which are outside the ICAR system, eight QRTs, one for each zones, may be constituted. Based on the background information, the Team may purposively select one or two KVKs which are performing well and one or two not performing well from each of the type of organizations, viz., SAUs, NGOs and other institutions. The report of such QRT shall have application to the others in that category in each zone.
* For the All-India Co-ordinated Research Programme related to the institute operated by the Directors of the related institute, a few additional subject-matter specialists may be added to assist the QRT in carrying out a critical review. Their report should be integrated with the final comprehensive report of the QRT for the institution. This will also hold true for the ICAR institutions, which also perate KVKs and TTCs.
* In the case of large institutes such as deemed-to-be-universities, the QRT should be assisted by the specialist in an area where it needs such support as is decided by the Chairman of the QRT in consultation with the DDG.

CONSTITUTION OF IRC:

Each institute of the council shall have a Staff Research Council consisting of the following members :

1. Director of the Institute : Chairman
2. Joint Director (Research)/ Incharge (Research coordination and Management Unit) – Member
3. Heads of Divisioons/Section : Members
4. Al Principal Investigators of the Projects. This shall include the Leaders of the Major Programmes at the Institute, Heads of Divisions (HODs) and the Project Coordinators. The number of programme leaders is to be decided at the Institute level in consultation with the Research Advisory Committee by adopting the following criteria. (i) for NRC, all the Scientists working in the NRC may be the members of the SRC (ii) For National Institutes the membership from this category may be limited to 50 Members.
5. DDG concerned with the Institute in the case of IVRI, DRI, IARI, CIFE and NAARM, and in case of other Institutes ADG concerned with the Institute - Member
6. Scientist Incharge of the Research Management Unit of the Institute – Member Secretary