

Section 4(1)(b)(xiii) of the Right to Information (RTI) Act, 2005

Particulars of recipients of concessions, permits or authorizations granted

As a scientific research organization under the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), **ICAR-CRIJAF operates primarily as an R&D and technology-transfer entity**. Unlike commercial or municipal authorities, the institute **does not grant trade licenses, industrial permits, or commercial concessions** to the general public.

However, within the framework of central government service rules and institutional welfare guidelines, ICAR-CRIJAF provisions specific statutory concessions, authorizations, and technology access benefits. The same is furnished below:

1. Concessions and Clearances in Technology Transfer

To promote the domestic textile and agricultural sectors, the Institute grants structured access to its proprietary research and innovations:

- **Technology Licensing Authorizations:** Non-exclusive or exclusive licenses granted to private seed companies, jute mills, bio-fertilizer manufacturers, and startups to commercially exploit institute-developed technologies (such as *CRIJAF Sona* microbial consortia or specialized farm machinery). These are governed by the *ICAR Guidelines for Intellectual Property Management and Technology Transfer*.
- **Access to Germplasm / Breeding Material:** Authorized access granted to bonafide research scholars and public institutions for scientific exploration, regulated under the Biological Diversity Act, 2002.

2. Institutional Travel & Training Concessions for Farmers

To facilitate last-mile agricultural extension without financial strain on smallholders:

- **Free Institutional Accommodation & Boarding:** Under central programs like the Scheduled Caste Sub-Plan (SCSP) and Tribal Sub-Plan (TSP), selected farmers are authorized free boarding, lodging, and resource kits at the institutional hostels during specialized training weeks.
- **Travel Concessions:** Provisioning of actual travel allowances or free organized transit for farmers attending field days, *Krishi Melas*, and farm diagnostic exposure visits organized by the institute or its Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs).

3. Personnel & Service-Related Statutory Concessions

For its internal employees (Scientific, Administrative, Technical, and Skilled Support Staff), the institute executes statutory authorizations governed by the Central Civil Services (CCS) guidelines:

Sl. No.	Nature of Concession / Authorization	Governing Regulatory Framework
1	Leave Travel Concession (LTC)	Authorizations granted for hometown or All-India travel as per the CCS (LTC) Rules, 1988 , including specific relaxation frameworks for visiting J&K, NER, and A&N islands.
2	Medical Benefits & Reimbursements	Medical authorizations and indoor treatment concessions at empanelled private hospitals under the CGHS / CS (MA) Rules .
3	Fee & Age Concessions in Recruitment	Standard relaxations in application fees and upper age limits for SC, ST, OBC, EWS, and Persons with Disabilities (PwD) candidates as per DoPT mandates during direct recruitment cycles managed via ASRB or the institute.
4	Children Education Allowance (CEA)	Financial concessions for up to two surviving children to offset schooling costs as per Ministry of Finance rules.

4. Norms of Execution and Transparency Controls

- **Authorized Committees:** Concessions like LTC or Medical claims are processed only after internal scrutiny by the Establishment, Bill, and Audit & Accounts sections against pre-audit parameters.
- **ITMC Monitoring:** Commercial technology authorizations and licensing concessions is being cleared through the **Institute Technology Management Unit (ITMU)** to ensure fair valuation and transparent signing of Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs).
- **Audit Reconciliation:** All monetary values associated with concessions are subjected to regular internal checks and concurrent audits by the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) of India.