



TRAVEL REPORT
(OP MC. No.04, s. 2014)

TITLE: JOHN DILLON FELLOWSHIP

I. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The John Dillon Fellowship is a prestigious award given to agricultural research scientists in ACIAR partner countries who have displayed outstanding leadership potential. Fellowships are awarded after a highly competitive selection process. To date the program has included leadership and management training and collaborative research projects. The University of New England (UNE) operates the John Dillon Fellowship on behalf of ACIAR. One component of the Fellowship is the opportunity to attend a study tour to Australia, including visits to research institutions and agricultural centres in regional Australia and Canberra. Fellows also take part in a five-day leadership workshop to consolidate the learning from their program. These events, inclusive of travel, run from the 12th to the 25th February, 2023.

II. DATE, PLACE AND PURPOSE OF THE TRAVEL

Date: February 12-25, 2023

Venue: Brisbane and ACIAR Canberra, Australia

Purpose: To attend the John Dillon Fellowship managed by the University of New England

III. KEY OUTCOMES

I learned various project management techniques based from the presentations of the lecturers, actual visit to CSIRO Research Facility in Bribie Island and interactions from the participants who are also experienced project leaders.

IV. ABSTRACT OF THE PAPER PRESENTED (for Paper Presenter)

Not Applicable

V. ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS



Sunday Feb. 12	Arrive in Brisbane Transfer to Accommodation at Hyatt Regency
Monday Feb. 13	Official Welcome Introductions and Expectations Recapping on Learning from the Zoom Sessions Reflection and Reflexivity: Charting Key Impacts Interactive Team Challenge Welcome Dinner
Tuesday Feb. 14	A Review of JDF Philippines Research Projects Overview of Strategic Leadership Skills for Developing Institutional Agricultural Research Strategies
Wednesday Feb. 15	Strategic Leadership (continued) Building a Strategic Mindset Developing Strategic Plans
Thursday Feb. 16	Strategic Leadership (continued) Presentation of Strategic Plans Introducing Effective Presentation Skills
Friday Feb. 17	Preparing for Final Project Presentation Visual Communications for Agricultural Research
Saturday Feb. 18	Free Time. Relax / Recuperate / Sight Seeing
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Monday Feb. 20	Field Trip One: Commonwealth Scientific Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) - Aquaculture Research Facility at Bribie Island
Tuesday Feb. 21	Field Trip Two: University of Queensland Gatton Agricultural Campus & Surrounding Farms
Wednesday Feb. 22	Travel to Canberra Sight Seeing (Optional) Accommodation at Mercure Hotel Canberra
Thursday Feb. 23	Reception at ACIAR House Meet with Research Project Managers Presentation of Research Project Results
Friday Feb. 24	Sightseeing & Partner Meetings in Canberra
Saturday Feb. 25	Program Concludes Departure Canberra for Home

VI. FUNDING AGENCY FOR TRAVEL SUPPORT – Local and Foreign

VSU- provided salary while abroad

ACIAR-provided transportation, accommodation and food allowances



VII. SUMMARY OF TRAVEL EXPENSES

Particulars	Local Funds		Foreign Funds	
	Name of Agency	Amount	Name of Agency	Amount AUD\$
Travel	NA		ACIAR	3,380.23
Registration Fee	NA		ACIAR	No info
Accommodation	NA		ACIAR	No info
Others	Salary			

VIII. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO SPONSOR

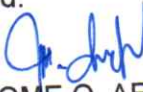
I would like to thank VSU and ACIAR for giving me the opportunity to join the said fellowship and find research linkages for the benefit of the university.

Attachment: Photocopy of Certificate of Participation/Attendance/Appreciation, and Photographs, if available

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