

Session IV - SPECIAL SESSION
Varietal Identification Committee
Meeting

August 18, 2026 Chairman:

Dr. D K Yadava, DDG (CS), ICAR

Member Secretary:

Dr. Ratan Tiwari, Director, IIWBR

Venue: Committee Room, Entomology Department, RARI, Durgapura, Raj.

The meeting of Varietal Identification Committee of Wheat & Barley was held on 18 August 2026 under the Chairmanship of Dr. D K Yadava, DDG (CC), ICAR. The meeting was held in hybrid mode from the Committee Room, Entomology Department, RARI, Durgapura, Raj. and following members participated in the meeting:

1. Dr. D K Yadava, DDG (CS), ICAR, Krishi Bhawan New Delhi (*Chairman*)
2. Dr. Poonam Jasrotia, ADG (PPB), ICAR, Krishi Bhawan New Delhi
3. Dr. P R Choudhary, ADG (Seeds - Acting), ICAR, Krishi Bhawan New Delhi
4. Dr. P K Singh, Agriculture Commissioner, GOI, MOAFW (*joined online*)
5. Dr. Sanjay Kumar, Ex-Director, ICAR-IISS, Mau Nath Bhanjan
6. Dr. M S Saharan, Head, Division of Pathology ICAR-IARI, New Delhi
7. Dr. Pankaj Tyagi, GM (Production), NSC (*joined online*)
8. Dr. Umeed Singh, Director Research, SKNAU, Durgapura, Rajasthan
9. Dr. M C Gupta, Director, R&D, Rasi Seeds Pvt. Ltd.
10. Dr. U S Singh, Pr. Scientist, Nuziveedu Seeds Pvt. Ltd.
11. Dr. Ratan Tiwari, Director, ICAR-IIWBR, Karnal (*Member Secretary*)

All Principal Investigators (PI) from IIWBR, Karnal also attended as Non-Voting members.

At total of 39 wheat and 13 barley entries were in the final year of testing during 2025-26. Out of these, 36 wheat and 13 barley proposals were received for the consideration by the committee. The proposals were examined during this meeting. After detailed deliberations, during the meeting, the following recommendations unanimously, as indicated against each proposal were made:

WHEAT

North Western Plains Zone (Punjab, Haryana, Delhi, Rajasthan (except Kota and Udaipur divisions) and Western UP (except Jhansi division), parts of J&K (Jammu and Kathua distt.) and parts of HP (Una dist. and Paonta valley) and Uttarakhand (Tarai region)

1. *DBW465*: This wheat genotype under restricted irrigated timely sown conditions of NWPZ, had no yield advantage in breeding and agronomy evaluation, and hence **was not-identified**.
2. *DBW466*: This wheat genotype under restricted irrigated timely sown conditions of NWPZ, had significant yield superiority and better rust resistance, and **was identified**.
3. *DBW467*: This wheat genotype under restricted irrigated timely sown conditions of NWPZ, was at par in yield, and was susceptible to brown rust, and hence **was not-identified**.

North Eastern Plains Zone (Eastern Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, Orissa, West Bengal, Assam and plains of other North Eastern states)

4. *HP1983*: This wheat genotype under irrigated late sown conditions of NEPZ, had yield advantage and was resistance to stripe rust, hence **was identified** by the committee.
5. *SVPL22-02*: This wheat genotype under irrigated late sown conditions of NEPZ, had yield superiority and desired resistance to rusts, and **was identified** by the committee.

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6. *DBW458*: This wheat genotype under irrigated late sown conditions of NEPZ, was at par in yield and had superior disease resistance along with good grain quality attributes, hence **was identified** by the committee.
7. *UP3145*: This wheat genotype under irrigated late sown conditions of NEPZ, was at par in yield, however it had rust resistance and superior grain quality, hence **was identified** by the committee.

Central Zone (Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Rajasthan (Kota and Udaipur Divisions), and Jhansi Division of Uttar Pradesh)

Peninsular Zone (Maharashtra, Karnataka & Plains of Tamil Nadu)

8. *MP1401*: This wheat genotype under irrigated timely sown conditions of CZ, had yield advantage and superior grain quality and **was identified** by the committee.
9. *DBW509*: This wheat genotype under irrigated timely sown conditions of CZ, had yield advantage, and superior grain quality attributes, hence **was identified**.
10. *NIAW4621*: This genotype proposed for irrigated late sown conditions of CZ & PZ, had no yield advantage and hence **was not-identified**.
11. *MACS6854*: This genotype proposed for irrigated late sown conditions of CZ & PZ, had superior yield and disease resistance, along with good grain quality, hence **was identified** for both the zones.
12. *MP3598*: This genotype proposed for irrigated late sown conditions of CZ & PZ, had no yield advantage and hence **was not-identified**.
13. *HI1700*: This wheat genotype proposed for restricted irrigated timely sown conditions of CZ & PZ. Based on its high yield advantage and rust resistance, it **was identified** for both the zones.
14. *NIAW4533*: This wheat genotype proposed for restricted irrigated timely sown conditions of CZ, **was identified** based on its yield superiority, rust resistance and superior grain quality.
15. *MACS4146(d)*: This wheat genotype proposed for irrigated timely sown conditions of PZ, had no yield advantage and hence **was not-identified**.
16. *MACS4147(d)*: This wheat genotype proposed for irrigated timely sown conditions of PZ, had no yield advantage and hence **was not-identified**.
17. *GW1369(d)*: This wheat genotype proposed for irrigated timely sown conditions of PZ, had no yield advantage and hence **was not-identified**.
18. *GW1370(d)*: This wheat genotype proposed for irrigated timely sown conditions of PZ, had no yield advantage and was susceptible to black rust and hence **was not-identified**.
19. *PDW367(d)*: This wheat genotype proposed for irrigated timely sown conditions of PZ, had no yield advantage and was susceptible to black rust and hence **was not-identified**.
20. *HI8853(d)*: This wheat genotype proposed for irrigated timely sown conditions of PZ, had no yield advantage and hence **was not-identified**.
21. *HI8854(d)*: This wheat genotype proposed for irrigated timely sown conditions of PZ, had no yield advantage and hence **was not-identified**.
22. *HI8855(d)*: This wheat genotype proposed for irrigated timely sown conditions of PZ, had no yield advantage and hence **was not-identified**.
23. *HI8858(d)*: This wheat genotype proposed for irrigated timely sown conditions of PZ, had yield advantage along with rust resistance and grain quality, and hence **was identified**.

24. *UAS485(d)*: This wheat genotype proposed for irrigated timely sown conditions of PZ, had no yield advantage and hence **was not-identified**.
25. *NIW4624*: The wheat genotype, proposed for irrigated late sown conditions of PZ had no yield advantage and was **not-identified**.
26. *HI1696*: The wheat genotype, proposed for irrigated late sown conditions of PZ had superior grain yield along with rust resistance & grain quality, hence **was identified**.
27. *HI1697*: The wheat genotype, proposed for irrigated late sown conditions of PZ had no significant yield gain, hence **was not-identified**.
28. *HI1699*: The wheat genotype, proposed for irrigated late sown conditions of PZ had no yield gain, hence **was not-identified**.
29. *VL2064*: The MABB derived wheat genotype, proposed for rainfed timely sown conditions of NHZ had no significant yield gain over its recipient parent, hence **was not-identified**.
30. *VL3040*: The MABB derived wheat genotype, proposed for restricted late sown conditions of NHZ had yield gain over its recipient parent, and better rust resistance hence **was identified**.
31. *HD3515*: The MABB derived wheat genotype, proposed for irrigated timely sown conditions of NEPZ had yield gain over its recipient parent, along with rust resistance, hence **was identified**.
32. *HD3495*: The MABB derived wheat genotype, proposed for irrigated late sown conditions of NWPZ had yield gain over its recipient parent, along with rust resistance, hence **was identified**.

BARLEY

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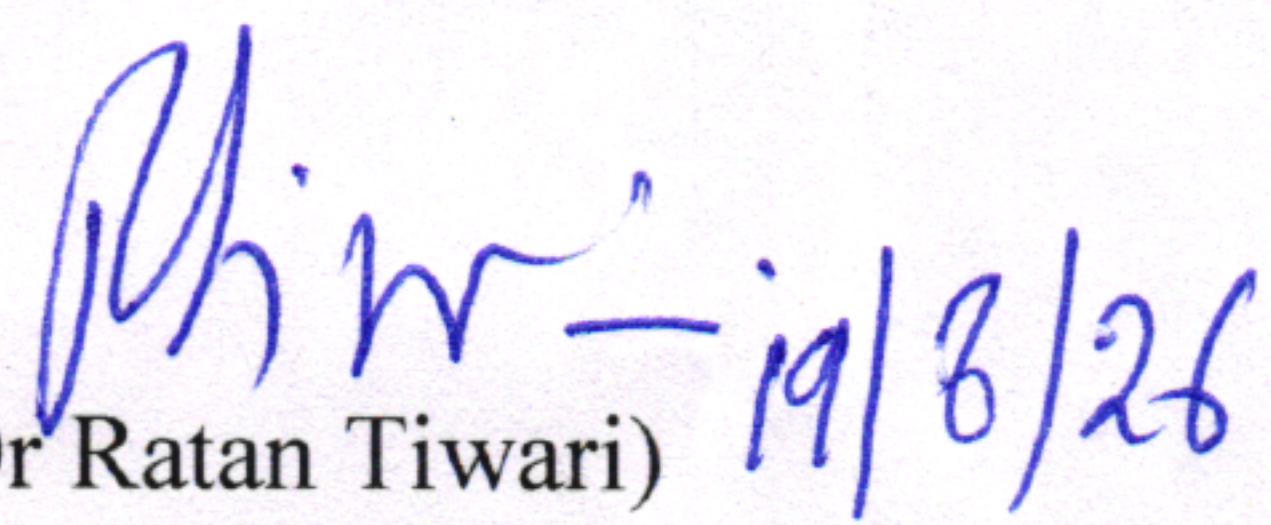
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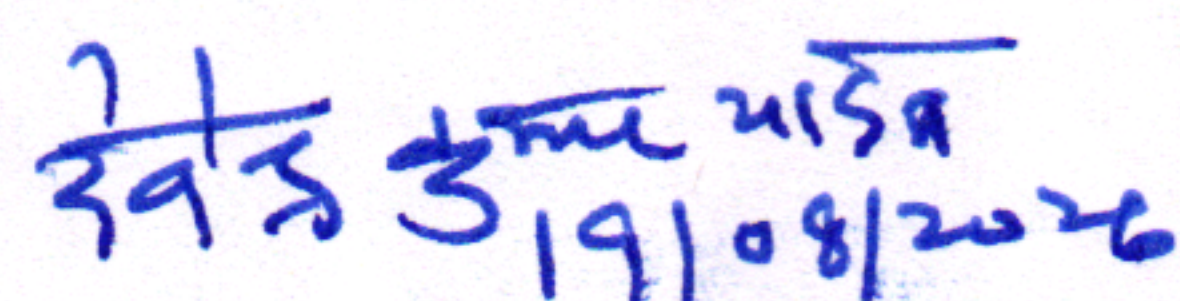
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33. *DWRB2312*: This malt barley genotype, proposed for irrigated timely sown conditions of NWPZ had yield advantage, superior malting score thus **was identified**.
34. *RD3102*: This barley genotype, proposed for irrigated timely sown saline/alkaline conditions of NWPZ & NEPZ had a high yield advantage, thus **was identified**.
35. *RD3109*: This barley genotype, proposed for irrigated timely sown saline/alkaline conditions of NWPZ & NEPZ had a high yield advantage, thus **was identified**.
36. *RD3089*: This hulless barley genotype, proposed for irrigated timely sown conditions of NWPZ & CZ had a high yield advantage along with grain protein, hence **was identified** for both the zones.
37. *RD3090*: This hulless barley genotype, proposed for irrigated timely sown conditions of NWPZ had no yield advantage, hence **was not-identified**.
38. *UPB1121*: This hulless barley genotype, proposed for irrigated timely sown conditions of NEPZ had a high yield advantage along with superior grain quality, hence **was identified**.
39. *RD3088*: This hulless barley genotype, proposed for irrigated timely sown conditions of CZ had a high yield advantage along with superior glycemic index, hence **was identified**.

40. *BHS502*: This dual-purpose barley genotype, proposed for rainfed timely sown conditions of NHZ had a high yield advantage for both grain and fodder, hence **was identified**.
41. *BHS498*: This dual-purpose barley genotype, proposed for rainfed timely sown conditions of NHZ had no yield advantage, hence **was not-identified**.
42. *BHS500*: This hulless barley genotype, proposed for rainfed timely sown conditions of NHZ had a high yield advantage, hence **was identified**.
43. *PL955*: This feed barley genotype, proposed for irrigated timely sown conditions of NEPZ had a high yield advantage, hence **was identified**.
44. *DWRB2318*: This dual-purpose barley genotype, proposed for timely sown irrigated conditions of NWPZ had yield advantage, hence **was identified**.

The Meeting ended with a formal vote of thanks to the Chairman and members of the committee.


(Dr Ratan Tiwari)
(Member Secretary)


(Dr D K Yadava)
(Chairman)