

## PEARL MILLET Fe and Zn Benchmark

- ICAR- AICRP on Pearl millet is the pioneer to consider nutritional quality traits like iron and zinc and established the first global minimum standard for micronutrient content in the cultivar release policy.
- ICAR-AICRP on Pearl millet has taken a landmark decision (28<sup>th</sup> April, 2017 during 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Group Meeting) to include bench mark levels of micronutrients (Fe and Zn): minimum 42 ppm of iron and 32 ppm of zinc in pearl millet grain as one of the promotion criteria for promoting entries in the coordinated trials.

