



Rehabilitation Association and Agriculture Development for Afghanistan (RAADA)

Project: PRJ1774

Location: Zindajan District of Herat Province

Saffron Bulbs/Corms Specifications

The Saffron bulbs/corms should be a local product of Herat-Afghanistan with high quality as per the following mentioned criterias:

- Weight of each unit of Saffron bulb/corm should be more than 6 gr
- The bulbs should be free from any plant diseases and pests
- The saffron bulbs should be sound and without wounds and scratches
- The saffron bulb should not be dry and withered or wrinkled
- The saffron must be from the local variety to minimize the risk of the diseases and adaptability issues
- The saffron bulb should be covered with its natural brown fiber which protects the saffron bulb against environmental factors and vulnerability
- Saffron bulb should be disinfected technically using suitable disinfectant spices
- The saffron bulbs should be regularly packed at the time of delivery with the exact same weight using mesh bags or suitable baskets for safe transportation of the bulbs to the target areas
- The Saffron bulb provided by the supplier must be pulled from completely dry land, that is, it must be completely moisture-free
- The saffron bulbs are checked and examined by the technical team before pulling from the ground and sorting in the respective farm and district
- Transfer and delivery of saffron bulbs to the farmers in the target villages in Zindajan district is the responsibility of the supplier
- The desired saffron bulbs are received from the supplier after careful quality control in the project area. In case of the slightest contradiction with the above-mentioned conditions, the supplied saffron bulbs will be rejected and the supplier must replace them with the requested specifications