

**PROCEEDING OF THE 2ND STATE LEVEL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING ON
MISSION FOR INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT OF HORTICULTURE (MIDH), ASSAM**

DATE : 20th August , 2015
TIME : 4.00 P.M
**VENUE : OFFICE CHAMBER OF SECRETARY, AGRICULTURE , GOVT. OF ASSAM,
BLOCK- D, DISPUR, GUWAHATI-6**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Sl. No	Name	Designation	Remarks
1	Sri V.B. Pyarelal, IAS	Additional Chief Secretary, Agriculture & APC, Govt. Of Assam	Chairman
2	Sri Amlan Baruah IAS	Secretary Agriculture, Govt of Assam	Member
3	Sri T. D. Hanse	Director of Horticulture & FP, Assam	Member Secy.
4	Dr. Kabindra Barkakati	Director of Agriculture, Assam	Member
5	Dr. Sarat Saikia	Chief Scientist , HRS, Kahikuchi	Member
6	Dr Ananta Saikia	Professor AAU	Representative, AAU-Member
7	Sri T K Baruah	Chief Engineer (Agri)	Member
8	Sri N K Brahma	Chief Executive Officer ASFAC	Member
9	Sri Kulen Talukdar ACS	Joint Secretary Agriculture	Member
10	Sri L.N. Mahanta, ACS	Managing Director , ASC Ltd.	Member
11	Sri P. Baruah, ACS	Chief Executive Officer , ASAMB	Member
12	Dr. B. Kalita	Joint Director of Agriculture (Hort)	Spl. Invitee
13	Sri G. K. Hazarika	Asstt. Director of Agriculture (Hort)	Spl. Invitee
14	Sri Khagendra Sarmah	SDAO(Hort)	In attendance
15	Sri Nripen Chandra Das	Sr. ADO (Hort)	In attendance
16	Jiten Ch Kalita	Dy Chief Executive Officer , ASAMB	Spl invitee

The 2nd State Level Executive Committee meeting of Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) was held under the Chairmanship of Sri V.B.Pyarelal, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary, Agriculture and Agriculture Production Commissioner, Govt. Of Assam on 20th August 2015 at 4.00 p.m in the Office

Chamber of Secretary, Department of Agriculture Govt of Assam , D Block 2nd Floor, Dispur.

On request from the Chair Sri T.D. Hanse , Director of Horticulture & Food Processing , Assam and the Member Secretary of State Level Executive Committee (SLEC) explained the objectives of the meeting. He informed that Govt of India in principle approved the Annual Action Plan of MIDH 2015-16 and sought the approval of SLEC against few components which have been placed before SLEC as per Agenda Note.

Reviewing the proceeding of the last State Level Executive Committee meeting, the Chairman requested the Member Secretary to explain the Action taken report of last State Level Executive Committee meeting of MIDH. The meeting accepted the action taken report placed by the Member secretary.

- ❖ **Discussing the Agenda Item No: 2** regarding the 2nd Phase of HMNEH Scheme 2014-15, Director of Horticulture & FP, Assam informed that Govt. of India allotted an amount of Rs. 1045.89 lakh as 2nd installment for implementation HMNEH Scheme 2014-15 against which the 1st SLEC held on 11th June, 2015 approved the component of "Construction of Green House/Shade Net House" amounting to Rs. 429.05 lakh and accordingly Govt. Sanction was accorded vide letter No. HFPD.14/2014/177 dated 10th July, 2015. The cost of construction of Shade Net House @ 500 sqm. in each farmers field under 50% subsidy where Govt. share is Rs. 5.30 lakh and Farmers share is Rs. 5.30 lakh @ Rs. 1060/- per sqm. as per norms of HMNEH. The farmers of different districts who are willing to undertake the Shade Net House are not in a position to bear the farmers share i.e. Rs. 5.30 lakh at present due to investment in Kharif crops. On the other hand, the contractors are not willing to construct the Shade Net House, prior to receiving of farmers share in advance. Further, the contractors are also informed that construction of 160 Nos. of Shade Net House will take 3 to 4 months even the farmers share is deposited by August, 2015. Now, considering the time of implementation, instead of Rs 429.05 lakh the following components have been proposed for approval, and the Committee approved the components accordingly.

Modified components Approved instead of Green House Structure for Rs. 429.05 lakh as approved earlier by SLEC Meeting held on 11-06-2015 under MIDH, 2014-15 released from GoI as 2nd installment



Sl. No.	Component	Pattern of Assistance	Phy Target	Amount (Rs. in lakh)
1	Creation of Water Resources Water Harvesting System for individuals/for storage of Water in 20m x 20x3m with plastic pond lining in plain areas (Out of Total 375.00 lakh proposal of Rs. 241.26 lakh already approved)	50% of cost. Maintenance to be ensured by the beneficiary	178	134.00
2	Training of farmers Within the State	100% of the cost	6000	180.00
3	District level Seminars, conferences, workshops, exhibitions, Kisan Mela, Horticulture shows, Honey festicals etc.	100% assistance subject to a maximum of Rs. 2.00 lakh per event of two days	26	52.00
4	Training/study tour of technical staff/field functionaries Study tour to progressive States/units (group of minimum 5 participants)	100% of the cost	40	10.00
5	Power tiller (8 BHP & above) 50% subsidy	In the case if SC, ST, Small & Marginal farmers, women farmers and beneficiaries in NE states, subject of a maximum of Rs. 0.75 lakh/unit	70	52.50
6	Mission Management State & Districts Mission Offices and implementing agencies for administrative expenses, project, preparation, computerization, contingency etc.	100% of the cost		0.55
	Total Amount Rs.			429.05

❖ **During the discussion of Agenda Item No: 3** regarding different components to be incorporated in the DPR of Centre of Excellence , Barama in Nagaon district, it was informed by the Director of Horticulture & FP Assam that Govt of India has earmarked an amount of Rs 10.00 crore against Centre of Excellence (Vegetables) to be set up at Barama in Nagaon district as per Approved Action Plan 2015-16 on phase manner. The following Components at **Annexure -I** have been placed and approved by

the Committee and allowed the Director of Horticulture & FP Assam to prepare the DPR at the Directorate level and to submit the same to the Govt of India for approval by the Ministry of Agriculture as per delegation of power.

- ❖ **Discussing the Agenda Item No: 4 of Research & Development Proposal submitted by Assam Agricultural University** An amount of Rs 235.00 Lakh earmarked in the Approved Action Plan was approved by the Committee for the R&D component to be executed by the AAU. It was also suggested by the Committee to submit the Project specifying each sub component to Ministry of Agriculture, as R&D project need approval of the EC by the Ministry of Agriculture at Govt of India level.
- ❖ **Discussing the Agenda Item No: 5 on the Proposal of upgrading nursery Infrastructure to meet Accreditation norms of Public sector nursery** it was stated that there is provision of Rs 10.00 lakh for upgrading nursery Infrastructure to meet Accreditation norms of Public sector nursery. Accordingly proposal for upgrading the Byarnihat Departmental farm for upgrading the infrastructure has been placed which was approved by the committee and requested the Director of Horticulture to submit the proposal to Ministry of Agriculture, Govt of India to facilitate to release the fund against this component.
- ❖ **The Committee discussed the Agenda Item No 6 on Organic Adoption and Certification** in 1000 ha area. as per Approved Annual Action Plan against the following Districts : Nagaon-100 ha, Karbi Anglong -200 ha, Dima Hasao-100 ha, Sonitpur-100 ha, Kokrajhar-100 ha, Kamrup -100 ha, Jorhat-100 ha, Golaghat-100 ha and Bongaigaon-100 ha. The Committee approved proposal and requested Director of Horticulture & FP Assam to submit the details showing Area, location etc to Ministry of Agriculture, Govt of India to facilitate to release the fund.
- ❖ **During the discussion of the Agenda Item No 7 regarding revival of Cold-chamber of Guwahati- Airport** the Committee advised to further discuss the matter with the Air Port Authority and APEDA before investment of any fund to clarify about the mode of operation. Further, it is suggested to clarify about the mode of operation from the Air port authority and to submit the proposal to Govt of India.
- ❖ **While Discussing the Agenda Item No 8 on Pack House/On farm collection & Storage unit** under HMNEH 2015-16, Director of Horticulture & FP Assam informed that there is provision of setting up of 70 number of Pack house / On farm collection & storage units under HMNEH during 2015-16. District Mission Committees have already approved the location/beneficiary and as such the proposal is placed for approval and for onward submission to Govt of India to facilitate to release the fund.

- ❖ **While discussing the Agenda Item No 9 regarding setting up of Food Processing Units under HMNEH 2015-16**, it was informed in the Committee that there is provision of two Food processing units with project cost of Rs 200.00 lakh each. The location have already been selected one in Jorhat district and another in Nagaon district. It has been decided to implement these projects at public sector at 100% subsidy. The Committee advised the Director of Horticulture & FP Assam to finalize the DPR and submit to the Ministry of Agriculture, Govt of Assam for final approval.
- ❖ **Discussing the Agenda Item No 10 on the proposal submitted by the Amalgamated Plantations Pvt Ltd for setting up of Spice Processing Units** at Kaliabhomora in Nagaon District, it was informed that Amalgamated Plantations Pvt Ltd has submitted a proposal for granting subsidy under MIDH for Integrated Spices Processing Plants at IIDC, Kaliabor in Nagaon district with financial involvement of Rs 14.11 crore against which Rs 4.00 crores has been sought as subsidy. The Committee discussed the matter and decided to forward the proposal to Ministry of Agriculture with a request to allot additional fund against the spice processing unit.
- ❖ **While discussed the Agenda Item No 11 regarding the Proposal of holding Seminar, Conference, Workshop on Horticulture** it was informed that as per guidelines issued by the Govt of India the District level Seminar, workshop will be held in each MP constituency in consultation with the local Rajyasabha & Loka sabha MPs upon receipt of the fund. However, the state level work shop will be held at Jorhat, Silchar and in Nagaon and the international level seminar/Conference will be held in Guwahati during the 3rd Assam International Agri- Horti Show. The Committee approved the proposal and requested Director of Horticulture & FP Assam to communicate with the Ministry of Agriculture Govt of India to facilitate to release the fund against this component.
- ❖ **With due permission from the Chairman**, Director of Horticulture & FP Assam placed the proposal for holding a two days' National Level Conference of Horticulture in the State of Assam, preferably during the month of November 2015 giving thrust on Post Harvest Management of Horticulture crops. The Chairman advised Director of Horticulture to discuss the matter with the Director of Research (Agri) AAU for selecting the topic, venue, etc prior to finalization of the topic. The Committee requested the Director of Horticulture, Assam to submit a formal proposal to Govt of India for considering the proposal.

The meeting ended with thanks to the chair.

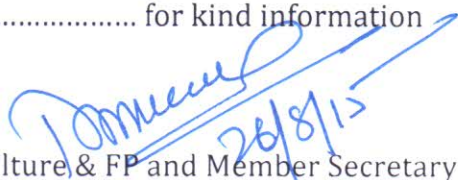
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(V.B.Pyarelal, IAS)
Additional Chief Secretary & APC
Chairman, State Level Executive Committee (SLEC)

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Dated : 26-08-2015

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1. The P.S. to the Additional Chief Secretary, Agriculture and Agriculture Production Commissioner, Govt. of Assam, Dispur, Guwahati-06 for kind information of Additional Chief Secretary, Agriculture.
2. The P.S. to the Secretary, Agriculture Department, Govt. of Assam, Dispur, Guwahati-6 for kind information of Secretary.
3. The PS. to the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Assam Agricultural University, Jorhat-13 for his kind information.
4. Member concerned for kind information

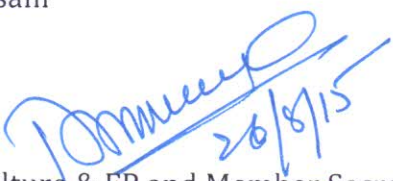

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