

**PROCEEDING OF THE 3rd STATE LEVEL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING ON
MISSION FOR INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT OF HORTICULTURE (MIDH), ASSAM**

DATE : 29th January, 2016
TIME : 11.00 A.M
VENUE : CONFERENCE HALL OF ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY,
AGRICULTURE & APC, GOVT. OF ASSAM, BLOCK- C, 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	Smti. S. I. Rashid, ACS	Secretary, Agriculture Department	Member
3	Sri T. D. Hanse	Advise, Horticulture & FP, Assam	Member
4	Sri P. K. Hazarika	Director of Horticulture & FP Assam	Member Secretary
5	Sri N. K. Brahma	Addl. Director of Agriculture, Assam	Member
6	Dr. G. N. Hazarika	Director of Research (Agri), AAU	Member
7	Dr. Sarat Saikia	Chief Scientist , HRS, Kahikuchi	Member
8	Sri P. Baruah, ACS	Chief Executive Officer , ASAMB	Member
9	Sri T K Baruah	Chief Engineer (Agri)	Member
10	Sri M Sanyal	Addl. Director, Industries & Commerce	Member
11	Dr. P K Mahanta	Dy. Director of Agriculture (Hort)	Spl. Invitee
12	Sri G. K. Hazarika	Asstt. Director of Agriculture (Hort)	Spl. Invitee
13	Sri Khagendra Sarmah	SDAO(Hort)	In attendance
14	Sri Nripen Chandra Das	Sr. ADO (Hort)	In attendance

The 3rd State Level Executive Committee (SLEC) meeting was held under the Chairmanship of Sri V. B. Pyarelal, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary and Agriculture Production Commissioner, Agriculture Department, Govt. of Assam on 29th January , 2016 at 11.00 AM in the Office Chamber, Additional Chief Secretary & APC, CM Block, 3rd Floor, Dispur, Guwahati.

On request from the Chair Sri P. K. Hazarika, Director of Horticulture & Food Processing, Assam and the Member Secretary of State Level Executive Committee (SLEC) explained the objectives of the meeting. While reviewed the proceeding of the 2nd SLEC, Sri P. K. Hazarika, Director of Horticulture & Food Processing, Assam also presented the action taken report of the last proceeding, which was accepted by the committee.

Smti S. I. Rashid, Secretary, Agriculture Department, Government of Assam wanted to know the fund flow mechanism of HMNEH Scheme. Director of Horticulture & Food

Processing, Assam informed that till 2013-14, being the Central Sector Scheme, the fund of HMNEH was routed to the implementing officer through Assam Small Farmers Agri-Business Consortium (ASFAC). But Govt. of India has routed the fund through state exchequer since 2014-15. As per direction from State Government, Bank Accounts both at District and Directorate are not under operation and the implementing agencies are facing lot of problems. Secretary, Agriculture Department, Assam advised the Director of Horticulture & FP, Assam to form a society as per guideline of Mission, through which the problem faced in implementation of the Mission can be solved.

The Chairman requested the Director of Horticulture & Food Processing, Assam to collect information from other states regarding implementation of the scheme through society and placed the proposal to Government to notify the Society.

Agenda Item No. 2 : Director of Horticulture & Food Processing, Assam informed that Govt. of India has allotted Rs. 1000.00 lakh as 1st installment of HMNEH, 2015-16 and the components which were approved by the 2nd SLEC were implemented in the different districts. Besides, Govt. of India allotted another amount of Rs. 1000.00 lakh as 2nd Installment of HMNEH, 2015-16. Though the funding pattern was initially on 50 : 50 sharing pattern between Centre : State, Govt. of India has changed the funding pattern as 90: 10. Director of Horticulture & Food Processing, Assam placed the components of 1st phase implementation of HMNEH, 2015-16 for Rs. 1000.00 lakh through power point presentation. The components prioritized for implementation as 2nd phase was presented to the Committee as below:

COMPONENTS OF HMNEH 2015-16 IMPLEMENTED IN 1ST PHASE AND SELECTED FOR 2ND PHASE RELEASED UNDER HMNEH,2015-16 OUT OF TOTAL APPROVED ITEMS BY GOVT. OF INDIA FOR Rs. 61.00 CRORE IN 90:10 SHARING PATTERN

Sl. No	Items	GoI share received and sanctioned as 1 st phase (Rs. in lakh)	GoI share received as 2 nd phase and to be sanctioned (Rs. in lakh)	Total amount received as GoI share (Rs. in lakh) as per approved AAP-2015-16
1	Up gradation of Public sector nursery (Byrnihat)	5.00	4.00	9.00
2.	Establishment of new garden Papaya	0	40.50	40.50
3	Establishment of new garden Guava	0	10.80	10.80
4	Establishment of new garden Assam lemon	0	107.50	107.50
5	Establishment of new garden Vegetables(watermelon/m	62.5	50.0	112.50

	usk melon)			
6	Establishment of new garden spices(Ginger)	0	32.40	32.40
7	Turmeric	0	32.40	32.40
8	Plastics mulching	120.00	96.00	216.00
9	Anti bird net	13.50	10.80	24.30
10	Floriculture (orchid)	43.75	35.00	78.75
11	Floriculture (Rose)	26.63	21.295	47.925
12	HDPE Vermibed	200.00	160.00	360.00
13	Horticulture mechanization -Power operated sprayer	77.50	62.00	139.50
14	Information Dissemination	20.00	16.00	36.00
15	Water harvesting system Pond lining	49.88	39.89	89.77500
16	Vegetables (Cucumber)	17.50	14.00	31.50
17	Plastic Tunnel	60.00	48.00	108.00
18	Rejuvenation, (Orange)	50.00	40.00	90.00
19	2 nd Year Papaya	0	8.10	8.10
20	Seminar , conference/ Mela District level	21.00	16.80	37.80
21	Seminar , State level	4.50	3.60	8.10
22	Training of farmers out side the state	6.00	4.80	10.80
23	Study tour of officers progressive state	5.00	4.00	9.00
24	Farmers Training (State)	37.50	30.00	67.50
25	Mission Management	35.64	92.435	128.07
26	Technical Support Group(TSG) Salary for Data Entry Operator, JE, Consultant and Adviser Etc	24.60	19.68	44.28
27	Passion Fruit cultivation	7.50	0	7.50
28	Strawberry Cultivation	112.00	0	112.00
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	Total	1000.00	1000.00	2000.0

The Committee reviewed the implementation of 1st phase and approved the components to be implemented as 2nd phase.

Agenda Item No. 3 : The Committee approved the DPR of CoE, Barama : Director of Horticulture & FP, Assam informed that Govt of India has considered the proposal of CoE (Veg.), Barama and prior to placing at the Central Empowered Committee (EMC), the Project Appraisal Committee has sought clarification on some issues like Source of Technology, Type of Technology and Crops to be covered in the CoE (Veg.), Barama. The

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clarification has been communicated with Govt of India. Dr. S. K. Jadav, DDA (Hort) and Project Officer, CoE, Gharownda, Karnal, Haryana has been proposed to be the visiting consultant who will provide Technology for the CoE, Barama with involvement of Indo-Israel Technology. The expenditure will be incurred as per HMNEH norms. The Committee approved the proposal of outsourcing the expertise of Dr. S. K. Jadav. Deputy Director of Horticulture and Project Officer of Centre of excellence, Gharownda, Karnal, Haryana.

Agenda Item No. 4: Fixation of the Remuneration of Sri T D Hanse, Adviser, Horticulture & FP, Assam: Director of Horticulture & Food Processing, Assam has informed that Sri T. D. Hanse, Former Director of Horticulture & FP, Assam was appointed by Govt. of Assam as Adviser, Horticulture & Food Processing, Assam vide Govt. Notification No: HFPD.29/2015/4 Dated: 31st December, 2015. As per MIDH Guideline an amount of Rs. 50,000.00 per month is earmarked for State Consultant. It was also informed that there is provision of fund under the component of Technical Support Group. The Committee approved an amount of Rs. 50,000.00 per month for Adviser, with TA etc. as admissible.

Agenda Item No. 5: Approval of Merit list of Data Entry Operator, Horticulture Consultant & Mali an engagement : It was informed by the Director of Horticulture & FP, Assam that an Advertisement was published on 16/12/ 2015 to engage 10 Nos. of Data Entry Operators, One Horticulture consultant and 6 Nos. of Malis on contractual basis. Accordingly the walk in interview was held on 28th December, 2015. The selection committee constituted at Directorate level furnished the merit list of One Horticulture consultant, 10 Nos. of Data Entry Operators and 6 Nos. of Malis. Moreover, a list of 4 Nos. of State Horticulture Consultant, 30 Nos. of Data Entry Operators, 15 Nos. of Malis were placed in the meeting for approval as per **Annexure-I, II & III**. Director of Horticulture & FP, Assam informed that the selection criteria for State Horticulture Consultant with minimum qualification of Master Degree in Agri, specialization in Bio-Tech with Field experience of minimum 5 years in Floriculture sector.

While scrutinized, it was found that only Sri D. K. Saikia possess M.Sc. in Bio-Tech with adequate experience in Floriculture. Though he does not possess M.Sc. (Agri) degree, considering his M.Sc. Bio-Tech and field experience, his name was approved as State Horticulture Consultant out of four applicant.

The Committee approved the merit list as proposed and Director of Horticulture & FP, Assam was authorized to engage One Horticulture Consultant, 10 Nos. of Data Entry Operators and 6 Nos. of Malis. It was also suggested that the merit list will be valid for one year and if required Director of Horticulture & FP, Assam will engage against any vacancy that arises within one year. The merit list was placed to the Committee and the Committee approved the list as below:

Horticulture Consultant		
Sl. No.	Name of the candidate	Address
1	Sri Debo Kumar Saikia	S/o. Dr. B. R. Saikia, South Sarania, Guwahati - 781007
Data Entry Operator		
1	Sri Pran Ranjan Boruah	S/o Puneswar Boruah, Vill. Puranimati Fata Gaon, PO: Jalukonibari, Titabar, Jorhat - 785630
2	Sri Tajrul Islam	S/o Shirajul Islam, Christian Patty, ADP Road, Nagaon, Assam, Pin: 782001
3	Sri Pranab Phukan	S/o Late Bhadram Phukan, Vill: Rajabahr (Gohaingaon), PO: Rajabahr, Jorhat, Assam Pin: 785631
4	Sri Ratul Ansari	S/o Abdul Rashid Ansari, Vill: Rangagara Huj (Tanpara), PO: Huj Rangapara, Hoiborgaon, Nagaon Pin: 782002

5	Sri Biswajit Singh	S/o Bir Bahadur Singh, Hengerabari Uzzal Nagar, HN 35, Near Urban Water Supply, Hengerabari, Guwahati - 781036
6	Sri Nasiur Rahman	S/o Azizur Rahman Chowdhury, Amin Patty (SKB Road), Nagaon Pin: 782001
7	Ms Rinkumoni Das	W/o Harekrishna Deka, Barnarddi, Nalbari, Pin: 781335
8	Ms. Sangeeta Boruah	D/o Thaneswar Boruah, c/o Moni rajbongshi, Manikya Apartment (1 st floor), Near Aunty's shop Byelane
9	Sri Bibak Sarmah	S/o Pulin Sarmah, HN 61, Santipur Hillside, P.N.G.B Road, Guwahati - 781009
10	Ms. Devapriya Das	D/o Dipak Kr Das, HN 8, Rukmini nagar, Khanapara, Guwahati - 781022
Mali		
1	Md. Jehirul Hussain	S/o Md. Rafik Ali, Vill. Bihampur PO. Mularkuchi, PS. Belsor, District Nalbari Pin - 781303
2	Sri Sujit Basumatary	S/o Sri Dijendra Basumatary Vill. Langhin Birupara, PO. Langhin Minipur District - Karbi Anglong, Pin - 782441
3	Sri Dinesh Gogoi	S/o Lt. Akanman Gogoi Vill. Teok Tamuligaon, PO. Marijanji District - Jorhat, Pin - 785682
4	Sri Kapil Das	S/o Sri Raheswar Das, Vill. Dilinga, PO. Singra, PS. Boko, District - Kamrup, Pin - 781135
5	Sri Aswini Kumar Deka	S/o Sri Achyut Deka, Vill. Balikuchi PO. Balikuchi, District - Kamrup Pin - 781382
6	Sri Madhab Das	S/o Lt. Krishna Ram Das, Vill. Kulhati PO. Kulhati, District - Kamrup Pin - 781104

The Committee approved the merit list as above and requested the Director of Horticulture & Food Processing, Assam to finalize the terms, prior to engaging the contractual engagement so that they cannot claim regular appointment in the future.

Agenda Item No. 6 Extension of Service of Data Entry Operator & Junior Engineer: The Committee reviewed the need of the existing two Data entry Operators and one Junior Engineer engaged for day to day work and as the earlier engagement period of these contractual persons were over it was decided to extend their service for another 11 months upto October, 2016 and approved accordingly.



Agenda Item No. 7: Diversion of Public Nursery under HMNEH: The Committee considered the proposal of diversion of Public Sector Big Nursery which was allotted to Krisnnai Progeny Orchard in Goalpara District under HMNEH, 2013-14 to Ulubari. As the District Agricultural Officer, Goalpara has failed to implement the programme, the proposal for shifting of Public Sector Big Nursery from Krishnai to Ulubari "V" type nursery complex was approved.

Agenda Item No. 8: Preparation of Annual Action Plan of HMNEH for the year 2016-17: Director of Horticulture & FP, Assam has informed that the Annual Action Plan (AAP) of HMNEH, 2016-17 is to be submitted to Govt. of India in the month of March, 2016. Discussing the matter, the Committee requested to prepare the AAP for an amount of Rs. 100.00 crore taking advice of the Adviser, Horticulture & FP, Assam by the Horticulture Consultant as per guideline of HMNEH, giving thrust on PHM, Cold-chain Development, Protected Cultivation, Organic Farming, etc.

Agenda Item No. 9: Regarding the Centre of Excellence, Khetri the Committee requested Director of Horticulture & Food processing, Assam to submit the proposal of handing over of Khetri FTS Farm under the disposal of Director of Horticulture for consideration by the Government. The Committee also requested Director of Horticulture & FP, Assam to send a proposal to Director of Agriculture, Assam to discontinue paddy cultivation at Khetri Farm to avoid the entry of wild Elephant.

Discussion on Any Other Business:

1. The Director of Horticulture & Food Processing, Assam informed the house that an application was received from Sri Bhadeswar Patgiri Retd. Sr Administrative Asst. Assam Secretariat, Agriculture Department, Govt of Assam, regarding engagement under any scheme of Directorate of Horticulture & FP, Assam. In this connection, Director of Horticulture & FP, Assam informed that an experienced person is required for engagement to prepare the baseline works for immediate creation of full-fledged Horticulture Department. The committee authorized the Director of Horticulture & Food Processing, Assam to engage Sri B Patgiri as per guideline who is well-experienced in establishment matter, if there is sufficient fund under appropriate Head of Account. In this regard, a Lump Sum remuneration of an amount of Rs. 1.20 Lakh is approved for a period of 6 (six) months.

2. The Committee also agreed to release the fund of Rs. 1.8 lakh from ASFAC Account to meet the expenditure of labour wages, considering the actual demand as per financial rule of ASFAC.

3. The proposal of engagement of 4 (four) more Malis, two at CoE, Barama and two at Sarutari Farm was also discussed and it was agreed by the Committee to engage these four Malis from the merit list of Malis interview, placed in the 3rd SLEC as below.

Sl. No.	Name	Address
1	Sri Jadav Rabha	S/o Sri Nibaran Rabha, Vill:Nowapara, PO: Loharkhat, Kamrup, PI: 781120
2	Sri Arup Das	S/o Late Kamala Das, Vill: Dilinga, PO: Singra PS: Boko, Kamrup, Pin: 781135
3	Sri Jintu Deka	S/o Dandiram Deka, Vill: Jhargaon, PO: Jaljoli, Darrang
4	Sri Tarun Chandra Deka	S/o Lohit Ch Deka, Vill: Daha, PO: Chamuapara, Darrang.

Discussing the R & D proposal of Assam Agriculture University (AAU), the Committee requested the Director of Horticulture & Food Processing, Assam to forward it to Govt. of India for consideration.

The meeting ended with thanks from the Chair.


Sd/-
(V. B. Pyarelal, IAS)
Additional Chief Secretary & APC
Chairman, State Level Executive Committee (SLEC),
Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH)

Memo No. Hort.FP/4SLEC/2014-15/37-A

Dated: 2nd February 2016

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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 Commissioner & Secretary, Agriculture Department, Govt. of Assam, Dispur, Guwahati-6 for kind information of Commissioner & 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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Director of Horticulture & FP and Member Secretary
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