

ANNEXURE
LIST OF PARTICIPANTS ATTENDED THE 2nd STATE LEVEL
SANCTION COMMITTEE MEETING OF FRASHTRIYA KRISHI VIKAS
YOJANA (RKVY), ANDHRA PRADESH AT SECRETARIAT,
HYDERABAD.

S.No	Name	Designation
1	Sri. Hari Narayana, IAS	Chief Secretary, Govt. of A.P. & Chairman, SLSC, RKVY
2	Sri. D.K. Panwar, IAS.,	Spl. Chief Secretary and APC and Vice –chairman, SLSC, RKVY
3	Sri. IYR. Krishna Rao IAS.,	Prl. Secretary , Finance & Member, SLSC, RKVY.
4	Sri. Ajeya Kallam IAS,	Prl. Secretary (Agril.) & Member Secretary, SLSC, RKVY.
5	Sri. T. Vijay Kumar, IAS.,	Chief Executive Officer, SERP, Hyderabad.
6	Sri. Ar. Sukumar, IAS.,	Commissioner of Agriculture
7	Sri. K. Madhu Sudhan Rao, IAS.,	Commissioner of Horticulture
8	Sri. NPR Reddy	Spl. Secretary, AH, DD & F
9	Dr. L. Mohan	Director , AH.
10	Sri. M. Ramgopal Rao	Addl. Director of Fisheries
11	Dr. V. Adinarayana	Associate Director of Research, ANGRAU
12	S. Uma Maheswara Rao	Registrar, S.V. Vet. University, Tirupathi
13	Dr. K. Purshotham	Officer on Spl. Duty, A.P. Horticultural University, Hyd.
14	Dr. SSP Sharma	Professor & Head, CWIM, NIRD.
15	D.V. Raidu, IAS(Retd.)	Consultant, SERP
16	J. Dillip Babu	Prl. Scientist, Hort. University.
17	S.T. Viroji Rao	Prl. Scientist, SV Vet. University
18	Dr. Qamar Iqbal Khan	Joint Director of Agriculture, Hyderabad.

Gol Officials

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1	Dr. W.R. Reddy, IAS,	Joint Secretary (PP), Gol

**MINUTES OF THE 2nd STATE LEVEL SANCTION COMMITTEE
MEETING OF RASHTRIYA KRISHI VIKAS YOJANA (RKVY), HELD
ON 23.01.2008 AT 2.30 PM, IN THE CHAMBERS OF
CHIEF SECRETARY, ANDHRA PRADESH, HYDERABAD**

The 2nd State Level Sanction Committee (SLSC) Meeting of Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY), Andhra Pradesh was held under the Chairmanship of the Chief Secretary, Govt. of A.P., on 23.01.2008 at Hyderabad.

The list of participants is enclosed in Annexure.

Initiating the discussions Sri. Ajeya Kallam, IAS., Principal Secretary (Agril.) and Member Secretary, SLSC, Govt. of A.P. welcomed the members and informed that based on the 1st SLSC meeting, the Govt. of India have released an amount of Rs.59.08 Crores for implementing four projects under RKVY (i) Seed Management, (ii) Diversification in rainfed areas (Simarouba plantations), (iii) Strengthening of Extension services and (iv) Agriculture Research.

Further, the Member Secretary, SLSC informed that 14 new project proposals costing Rs. 1041.79 Crores have been proposed for consideration of 2nd SLSC meeting.

Deliberations on the each project proposals are briefly furnished below :

Dept. of Agriculture:

1. Soil Health Management:

The Principal Secretary (Agril) informed that the objective of the scheme is to maintain and improve soil health by managing soil organic matter,

water retention capacity and nutrients in the soil production system, while rectifying soil problems like salinity, acidity etc.

Important components under the scheme include (i) supply of 2.11 lakh qtls of Green manure seed at 50% subsidy to cover an area of 6.5 lakh ha at a cost of 97.50 Crores. (ii) Supply of 25,000 MTs of Zinc sulphate with 50% subsidy to cover an area of 5 lakh ha at a cost of Rs. 37.50 Crores. (iii) Supply of Gypsum for reclamation of sodicity problem soils by supplying 6.12 lakh tones with 75% subsidy to cover an area of 3.92 lakh ha at a cost of 73.47 Crores.

Dr. WR Reddy, IAS., Joint Secretary, GoI, suggested that these activities may be taken on focused areas based on the soil analysis to ensure effective implementation and also opined that awareness has to be created among farmers towards soil health management. He further informed that a PPP model has been introduced in Soil Testing Labs as done in Madhya Pradesh by handing over lab to Private companies which is working well. The Chief Secretary observed that PPP mode is a wonderful idea and also observed that the financial support by the Govt. has to be worked out in a manner that the Govt. after initial support may hand over the unit to the Private to run on its own.

Further, the Chairman, SLSC informed the members that a Soil Testing Equipment developed by Florida can be used for testing large number of soil samples in a given time through scanning and calibrating of soil fertility through spectral behavior of soil.

The Principal Secretary informed that the above equipment shall be tried with available budget in Departmental schemes.

The Chairman advised to revise the proposals accordingly.

Farm Mechanization:

The Principal Secretary (Agril.) informed that the scheme has two components i.e. Establishment of Custom Hiring Centres for improving the accessibility to improved implements by SF/MF at affordable charges and said that it is proposed to establish 753 Centres at a cost of Rs. 94.12 Crores in three years with 25% subsidy to the entrepreneur.

Dr. WR Reddy, Joint Secretary, GoI, felt that the projected number of centres appear to be higher side and opined that a detailed field level analysis of potentials etc., is to be worked out to locate the centre at appropriate place.

The Principal Secretary (Agril.) agreed to the suggestion and informed that the locations and number of the Centres shall be derived accordingly.

The second component is providing 6.43 lakh farm implements with 50% subsidy at a cost of Rs. 276.60 Crores which was agreed to.

IT based Rural Development Initiatives:

Sri. Rm. Thiruchelvam, IT Rural Specialist made a presentation on the proposals. The objective is to improve the information system to farmers by means of :-

1. Automation of knowledge dissemination process.
2. Input supply management on collective need basis.
3. Providing market connectivity to the farmers.

The project is a replica of a pilot study conducted in Pulivendala Mandal. The cost of the project is Rs. 15.00 Crores to establish 1000 kiosks in to cover 1000 grama panchayats in Kadapa district. The capital cost is Rs. 8.94 Crores and the balance amount is required for operational expenses.

The question of funding working capital was found to be difficult. Further, it was felt that evaluation results of the MoU between IT – RD departments Rural Initiative Organisation needs to be looked into. Mean while, it was also suggested to look for PP mode for sustainability. The entrepreneur asked to come up with fresh proposal on PP mode.

Animal Husbandry.

Dr. L. Mohan, Director, Animal Husbandry briefed the Committee about the 8 proposals made by the Department.

The Food & Mouth Disease control programme :- It envisages prevention of production losses in livestock to make the state a disease free zone while improving live stock exports. The scheme will be implemented in 11 districts to cover 830.7 lakh animals at a cost of Rs. 101.80 Crores

Strengthening of Animal disease diagnostic labs and establishment of mobile diagnostic labs : It aims at strengthening the existing labs to suit GLP standards and provide quick diagnostic facilities at the door step of the farmers. It is proposed to establish 25 production units at cost of 15.81 Crores to function as Mobile laboratories.

Health care to Sheep and Goat scheme: The scheme aims at maintaining good growth rate and improve disease resistance in Sheep

and Goat and reduce lamb and kid mortality. It is proposed to cover 1375 lakh Sheep and Goat at a cost of 32 Crores.

Supply of Breeding Rams: It visualizes control of inbreeding in sheep which is resulting in poor growth and reduced disease resistance by supplying of 25000 Breeding Rams with 50% subsidy basis to shepherds in 22 districts at a cost of Rs. 3.75 Crores.

Calf Induction programme: It aims at providing income generation to BPL farmers through induction of high pedigree heifer calves and also feed support on subsidy basis. It is proposed to supply 55,000 calves on 50% subsidy in 22 districts at cost of Rs. 58.98 Crores.

Induction of Milch animals scheme's objective is to supplement the income generation of weaker sections through induction of milch animals. The plan is to supply 1.10 lakh milch animals on 50% subsidy in 22 districts. The total cost of the scheme is 165.00 Crores.

The Chief Secretary observed that 1/3rd of the state is not covered by milk route and their development has not been envisaged in any proposal and this may be re-examined in consultation with Dairy Federation. Further, the Chairman observed that sufficient provision may be made for inducting Milch Animals duly strengthening the present milk procurement net work. He also desired setting up of sufficient number of Bulk milk centres.

The Director, Animal Husbandry Department said that the proposals would be revised accordingly.

Fisheries Department:

Sri. NPR Reddy, Spl. Secretary, AH, DD& F Department informed that two schemes are proposed by **Fisheries department** at the cost of Rs. 19.20 Crores i.e. **Fresh water fish culture in tanks (Rs. 10.00 crores) and Fresh water fish culture in ponds (Rs. 9.20 Crores)**

The Chief Secretary also directed to utilize Rs. 50 Crores out of Rs. 100 crores allocated for Fisheries for Milk marketing and storage network. The amount of Rs. 50 Crores may be utilized by Fisheries Dept.

The Member Secretary, SLSC observed that the year wise break up for the programme needs to be furnished with project proposal.

Horticultural university:

Sri.D.K. Panwar IAS., Spl. Chief Secretary & Agril. Production Commissioner presented a scheme for **Horticulture research** with following components:

1. Enhancement of productivity & production of fruit crops commercially grown in Andhra Pradesh.
2. Improvement of Vegetable crop production and resistance to biotic and abiotic stresses through bio-technological interventions.
3. Popularization of traditional Flower growing in open filed and production technology for controlled production of flowers under cover for exports.
4. Improving productivity of Dry land Horticulture crops
4. Development of Post harvest facility for handling of Horticulture produce.
5. Improvement of Fruit & Vegetable crops through Integrated Breeding approach involving conventional and molecular tools.

Dr. WR Reddy, Joint Secretary, Govt. of India observed that most of the cost was earmarked for contractual services and the proposals are not focused.

The Chief Secretary directed to modify the proposals showing specific crop and activity.

Horticulture Department:

The Committee examined the proposal which was intended to bring an additional area of 69,000 ha of Sugarcane, Oil palm and Vegetables under Micro Irrigation systems with 85% subsidy.

The Principal Secretary (Agril.) observed that differential subsidy would effect implementation of ongoing state schemes.

The Special Chief Secretary and APC felt that it could be brought down to 70%.

Dr. WR Reddy, Joint Secretary mentioned that even the 70% subsidy needs to be cleared by DAC and its Finance wing which needs persuasion.

It was resolved that the proposals may be modified with 70% subsidy and all the proposals could be again discussed in the next meeting.

SERP

The revised project proposal on **Community Managed Organic Farming systems in Rainfed Areas** was examined in the meeting.

Dr. WR Reddy, Joint Secretary, GoI observed that the eliminating the use of pesticides or banning the use of pesticides is not the GoI policy.

Sri. Vijay Kumar, CEO, SERP said that while the Govt. is favouring the use of organic pesticides through IPM, a separate strategy also aims at promoting of Organic farming and SERP is working in this direction.

On the components such as Custom Hiring Centres and CIG groups, the Chairman, SLSC directed to integrate with Commodity Interest Groups and Custom Hiring Centres being planned by Department of Agriculture.

Sri. Vijay Kumar , CEO, SERP requested the Joint Secretary, GoI to visit the field for on farm evaluation so that the scheme can be revised accordingly. Further, the CEO requested for permission to go ahead for utilization of 10 Crores during current Rabi as already agreed in the previous meeting.

3rd SLSC meeting:

The meeting was concluded with directions of Chairman to modify the proposals with respective Departments and meet again in the first Fortnight of February, 2008


Chief Secretary
& Chairman, SLSC(RKVY)

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The Concerned.