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**MINUTES OF MEETING OF STATE LEVEL SANCTIONING COMMITTEE (SLSC) HELD ON 31<sup>ST</sup> JULY, 2017 IN CONFERENCE HALL, MANAN KENDRA, GANGTOK FOR RASHTRIYA KRISHI VIKAS YOJANA (RKVY), EXTENSION REFORMS (SAMETI & ATMA) AND PRADHAN MANTRI KRISHI SINCHAYEE YOJANA (PMKSY)**

The State Level Sanctioning Committee (SLSC) meeting took place on 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2017 in conference hall of Manan Kendra, Gangtok under the Chairmanship of Shri Alok K. Shrivastava, IAS, Chief Secretary, Government of Sikkim. Dr. Y.R. Meena, Additional Commissioner, Extension, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare was present in the meeting as representative of Govt. of India. The list of officers present in the meeting is enclosed as ANNEXURE-I.

At the outset Shri Puneet Kansal, IAS, Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Agriculture, Government of Sikkim extended warm welcome to all the members of SLSC and officers present in support of SLSC. He also briefly apprised about the RKVY, Extension Reforms & PMKSY schemes to the house and explained agenda of the meeting. The SLSC considered different proposals as follows:

**I. RASHTRIYA KRISHI VIKAS YOJANA (RKVY)**

After welcome address, Mrs. S.L. Dorjee, Director, Agriculture cum S.N.O. (RKVY), Government of Sikkim presented the details of progress made under RKVY during the year 2016-17 and new scheme proposed for 2017-18.

**(a) Old projects**

**i) Agro-Mart at Temi, South Sikkim**

The project was approved during the year 2012-13 at the cost of Rs.270.00 Lakh under Horticulture sector. The Chairperson enquired reasons of delay in completion. The concerned scheme in-charge apprised that all civil works have already been completed and the mart will be ready shortly.

**ii) Establishment of Input store at Kopchey, South Sikkim.**

The project was approved & sanctioned during the year 2012-13 at the cost of Rs.57.76 Lakh under Horticulture sector. The concerned officer informed about the delay in completion and apprised that the building is now complete and only final payment is due.



### iii) Establishment of Feed mill unit at Melli, South Sikkim:

The concerned section apprised that civil work is almost complete and now they are in process of purchasing the machineries in collaboration with Animal Husbandry Department. *The Chairman suggested to purchase branded machineries suitable for the unit from reputed organization/dealers by floating tenders.*

### iv) National Mission for Protein Supplement (NMPS)-Fisheries

The project was approved & sanctioned during the year 2012-13 at the cost of 584.00 Lakh under Fisheries sector of Animal Husbandry department. The Scheme In-charge of fisheries department apprised the progress of project till date. *The chairman suggested to explore the fisheries development in whole state ,not only in one place with special reference to Memenchu.*

### (b) Projects approved during 2016-17.

#### i) Construction of collection unit at Rumbuk, West Sikkim:

The project is being implemented under Horticulture sector at the cost of Rs.35.00 Lakh. The house sought reasons for delay in progress. S.E., Agriculture/Horticulture Department clarified that delay is due to the tendering and administrative process. He also apprised the house that work has already started and is under progress.

#### ii) Automated Buckwheat Milling plant.

The project was approved & sanctioned at the cost of Rs.350.00 Lakh. The scheme In-charge apprised the house that the location of the unit has already been finalized. Now they are in the process of floating tender for civil works & procurement of machineries. *Commissioner-cum-Secretary of FS&ADD apprised that the project is new in nature and no one in Sikkim is having expertise on the subject. He further apprised that tender will be issued shortly.*

#### iii) Comprehensive Organic Fodder and Feed Development:

The project is being implemented by AH LF& VS department at the cost of Rs.102.25 Lakh. The scheme In-charge of the project briefed about the progress against the fund received during the year 2016-17. *The chairman inquired: How will the nurseries cater to the needs of farmers?* The scheme In-charge clarified that the farmers will get the seedlings from



nurseries being raised under the project in different locations for further multiplication. The department was asked to keep proper record of beneficiaries.

**iv) Distribution of Milching cow:**

In this project, total 400 nos. of milching cows were to be distributed at the cost of Rs.200 Lakh under Animal husbandry sector. The scheme In-Charge apprised the house that they have already distributed about 157 cows in different districts till date and presently the distribution process is stopped due to the ongoing agitation/unrest in Darjeeling & Kalimpong districts. *The Chairman suggested to resume the distribution process.*

**v) Aromatic hub in West & South district:**

The project was approved & sanctioned at the cost of Rs.202.75 Lakh under Skill development & Entrepreneurship Department. The representative of the department briefed about the progress made till date under the project. *The Commissioner-cum-Secretary, FS&ADD informed that in meeting held to review RKVY projects on 20.06.2017 under the Chairmanship of ACS, it was decided to downsize the project as per suggestion of the Department. The ACS-cum-APC desired separate review of the project in presence of project director. The SLSC noted downsizing of project and release of 2<sup>nd</sup> installment as per revised project only.*

**(c) New projects for 2017-18**

**i) Support for livestock health management through curative measures.**

The project has been proposed by AH LF&VS department at the cost of Rs.138.00 Lakh. As per the comments of Government of India the project has been supported as per the guidelines. Reference to that, committee approved the proposal.

**ii) Induction of Jamunapari breed of Goat at farm and farmers level:**

The project comes under Animal Husbandry sector at the cost of Rs.20.00 Lakh. Initially the project was not supported by Government of India and sought some clarifications in the pre-SLSC meeting on 25.07.2017. The Director, AH LF&VS clarified all the queries raised by Government of India. The house approved the project subject to the support and clearance of Government of India.



**iii) Godown cum marketing centre at Rolep -Lamaten, East Sikkim.**

The project comes under Cooperation sector at the cost of Rs.60.00 Lakh. The Government of India has supported only one third cost of the project. Accordingly house approved the project.

**iv) Additional 2 storied building near horticulture training hall for SAMETI**

The Government of India has supported the project amounting to Rs.180.00 Lakh as per the PWD norms. The house agreed with the proposal.

**v) Capacity building Exposure visit of FS&ADD officials.**

The project is not supported by Government of India as foreign tour is not allowed under RKVY. However, in pre-SLSC meeting it was suggested that the funds under RKVY can be utilized for exposure visit within India. The house took note of it and agreed with Government of India's observation of not supporting the project.

**vi) Setting up of Bio-pesticide unit.**

The project at the cost of Rs.176.00 Lakh is supported by the Government of India as per the RKVY guidelines. Accordingly, house approved the project.

**vii) Construction of Multipurpose building for milk collection centre, Godwon and farmers training centre at Rolep Horticulture farm, East.**

Initially, the Government of India supported only one third cost of the project. Later with the intervention of Commissioner-cum-Secretary, FS&ADD during the pre-SLSC meeting in Delhi, they agreed to support total GoI share since project comes under Government sector and the project is implemented on government land only. The total project cost of Rs.95.00 Lakh under Horticulture sector approved as per Government of India's clearance.

**Financial Shortfall for the project approved during 2016-17**

In the year 2016-17, initially the Government of India had indicated allocation of Rs.28.66 crore vide letter No.7-1/2016-RKVY, dated 19.04.2016. Accordingly, SLSC in its meeting held on 03.08.2016 approved project proposals of Rs.34.95 crore and it was intimated to Government of India. The Government of India released 1<sup>st</sup> installment of Rs.14.33 crore vide letter No. 1-23/2016-RKVY dated 29.08.2016 against allocation of Rs. 28.66 crore. Subsequently, allocation under RKVY for the year 2016-17 was revised by Government of India to Rs.14.57 crore vide letter No. 7-1/2016-RKVY dated 26.09.2016. By that time,



sanction intimations were already issued to respective departments and they started the work on approved projects. Therefore, with the reduction of outlay in 2016-17, there will be shortfall in money available against the cost of projects sanctioned. The Commissioner-cum-Secretary, FS&ADD apprised the house that this issue was raised in the pre-SLSC meeting held on 25.07.2017 in Government of India and the Government of India suggested to expedite the work of sanctioned projects and to raise the issue of shortfall at the time of release of 2<sup>nd</sup> installment.

**The deliberations on RKVY concluded.**

## **II. EXTENSION REFORMS (SAMETI & ATMA)**

Mrs. Asha Lama, Additional Director, Agri.-cum-Director, SAMETI, Government of Sikkim gave detailed presentation on Extension Reforms.

She briefed about over all manpower under Extension Reforms and activities carried out by SAMETI & ATMA during the year 2016-17. She also highlighted the positive impact of the scheme in the state of Sikkim. Further, she placed the State Extension Work Plan (SEWP) approved by Inter Departmental Working Group (IDWG) before the committee. She apprised that as per the allocation, proposed SEWP of 2017-18 of Rs.423.41 Lakh is in the funding pattern of 90:10.

The committee unanimously approved the SEWP of Rs.423.41 Lakh.

## **III A. PRADHAN MANTRI KRISHI SINCHAYEE YOJANA (PMKSY)- Per Drop More Crop - Other Intervention.**

Mr. Jagdish Pradhan, Jt. Director, Agriculture, Govt. of Sikkim presented the details of other intervention under PMKSY. The Government of India has tentatively allocated Rs.500 Lakh on 90% Government share and 10% share of State Government for the same comes to Rs.55.6 Lakh, thereby total comes to Rs.555.60 Lakh. Further, he apprised the house that Annual Action Plan under the programme for the year 2017-18 has been prepared amounting to Rs.746.62 Lakhs in the funding pattern of 90:10 with the tentative irrigation potential of 421 hectare, so as to saturate the cluster areas to be covered during 2017-18. He further informed all departments implementing different components of PMKSY have chosen same clusters.



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Community water tank measuring 20x30x5ft (50 cum) is one of the main components of the scheme and needs large land. So, Executive Engineer of the Department was of the opinion that in case of non-availability of suitable land for construction of such tanks in the farmers field, we may request the Forest Department to allow construction of such tanks in Forest land.

*The house noted the point.*

The house unanimously approved the Annual Action Plan of Rs.746.62 Lakh under other interventions.

### **III B. PRADHAN MANTRI KRISHI SINCHAYEE YOJANA (PMKSY) - Per Drop More Crop - Micro Irrigation**

Mr. Jeewan Chhetri, S.E. Agri. Engineering, Govt. of Sikkim gave presentation about micro-irrigation (per drop more crop) under PMKSY.

He apprised the house that total 3617 farmers will be covered under the scheme during the year 2017-18 with financial implication of Rs.1932.99 Lakh where Rs.983.99 Lakh will be GoI share, Rs.109.33 Lakh will be state share and remaining Rs.839.67 to be contributed by the farmers.

The house unanimously approved the project.

### **IV. PRADHAN MANTRI KRISHI SINCHAYEE YOJANA (PMKSY) - WDC**

Mr. Blen Tshering Targain, D.F.O. cum CEO, SLNA presented the details of Watershed Development Component (WDC) under PMKSY which is being implemented by Forest Department. In his presentation, the concerned officer highlighted the progress under WDC during the year 2016-17. Further, he placed the Annual Plan of operation for 2017-18 amounting to Rs.21.59 crore to the house as approved by State Level Nodal Agency (SLNA) headed by Principal Secretary, Forest, Env & Wildlife Management Department, Government of Sikkim.

*ACS cum APC in his remarks suggested that various livelihood activities like distribution of piglets, bee keeping, cardamom plantation etc. should be implemented in coordination with respective concerned departments. Similarly, capacity building activities should be taken up either through SICB or concerned institute.*



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Mr. Blen Tshering Targain requested for approval of AAP 2017-18. The house approved the project in light of approval already given by SLNA.

**V) PRADHAN MANTRI KRISHI SINCHAYEE YOJANA (PMKSY) – Har. Khet Ko Pani**

Mrs. Asha Gurung, Additional Chief Engineer, Water Resource & RD Department gave presentation on Har Khet Ko Pani being implemented by Water Resource & RD Department.

She apprised the house about the non availability of funds during the year 2016-17. Further, she presented the Annual Action Plan total amounting to Rs.6988.94 Lakh covering the irrigation potential of 2063 hectare in the funding pattern of 90:10. The S.E., CWC supported the proposal and advised to send it to Government of India.

The house approved Annual Action Plan of 2017-18.

The Chief Secretary complimented the department in making coordinated efforts in PMKSY and reiterated need of implementing various schemes expeditiously as per approved guidelines.

The meeting concluded with vote of thanks by Shri K.K. Pradhan, Director, FS&ADD.



## ANNEXURE-I

**List of officers present in the SLSC meeting held on 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2017 at Gangtok, Sikkim****A. Members of SLSC**

Sl.	Name	Designation
1.	Shri Alok K. Shrivastava, IAS	Chief Secretary (Chairman, SLSC)
2.	Shri S.C.Gupta, IAS	Addl. Chief Secretary cum APC
3.	Shri M.G.Kiran, IAS	Pr. Secretary, FRED
4.	Shri K.Srinivasulu, IAS	Pr. Secretary, Cooperation Department
5.	Shri Puneet Kansal, IAS	Comm. Cum Secretary, FS&ADD (Member Secretary, SLSC)
6.	Dr.Y.R.Meena	Addl. Commissioner, Extn. GoI
7.	Shri Khorlo Bhutia	Pr. Director cum Secretary, H&CCDD
8.	Shri D.K.Rai	PCE cum Secy., Water Resource Department
9.	Shri Baleshwar Thakur	S.E. CWC, Gangtok
10.	Dr.R.K.Avasthe	Jt. Director, NOFRI-ICAR, GoI
11.	Shri B.P.Pradhan	C.F./M.S., Forest Department.
12.	Dr. Hemant Chettri	Pr. Director, AH LF & VS Department
13.	Shri Anil Raj Rai	Special Secretary, RMD Department
14.	Choden Gyatso	Dy. Secretary, DPER/NECAD

**B. Officers present to support the SLSC****Food Security & Agriculture Development Department**

1.	Shri K.K.Pradhan	Director, Agri.
2.	Mrs.S.L.Dorjee	Director, Agri. cum S.N.O (RKVY)
3.	Shri K.B.Pant	Director, Agri.(PMKSY & Marketing)
4.	Shri Namgey D.Bhutia	Addl. Director, Agri(FC)
5.	Shri S.T.Bhutia	Add.Director, Agri(INM)
6.	Shri N.Gautam	Addl. Director, Agri.(RKVY)
7.	Mrs Asha Lama	Addl. Director, Agri. cum Director, SAMETI



8.	Shri Rajendra Sharma	Addl. Director, Acct., FS&ADD
9.	Shri Jagdish Pradhan	Jt. Director, Agri (PMKSY)

### Horticulture & Cash Crop Development Department

10.	Shri K.T.Bhutia	Director, H&CCDD-I
11.	Shri D.K.Bhandari	Director, H&CCDD-II
12.	Shri Mahendra Pradhan	C.A.O.

### Engineering Section(FS&ADD & H&CCDD)

13.	Shri J.K.Chettri	S.E
14.	Shri Bijoy K.Thapa	E.E
15.	Shri Bhaskar Basnet	E.E

### AH,LF & VS Department

16.	Dr. N.T.Bhutia	Director, AHLF&VS
17.	Dr. D.K.Pradhan	Addl. Director, AHLF&VS
18.	Shri L.D.Lachungpa	Addl. Director, AHLF&VS
19.	Dr. D.S.Tewari	Addl. Director, AHLF&VS
20.	Dr. Pushpa Kala Rai	Addl. Director, AHLF&VS
21.	Dr. Tshering Pem Lama	Addl. Director, AHLF&VS
22.	Shri S.Pradhan	Addl. Director, Fisheries
23.	Dr. B.M.Chhetri	Jt. Director, AHLF&VS
24.	Dr. Kalpana Pradhan	Jt. Director, AHLF&VS

### Water Resource Department

25.	Mrs. Asha Gurung	Addl. Chief Engineer
26.	Shri Deepak Singh	S.E.
27.	Shri P.L.Sharma	D.E.

### Cooperation Department

28.	Mrs Jabi Thapa	Jt. Registrar
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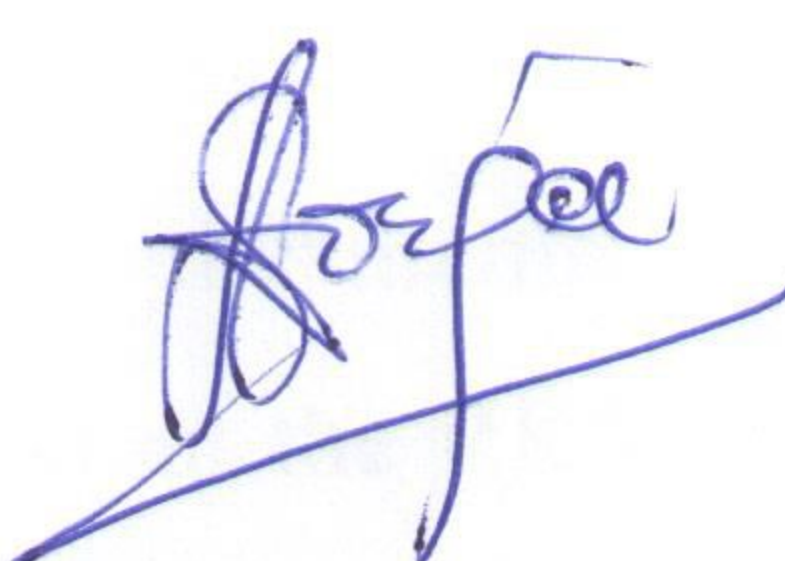


**Skill Development & Entrepreneurship Department**

29.	Shri Deepen Sharma	Project Officer
30.	Ms Vijeta Chettri	Accounts Clerk

**Forest Department**

31.	Blen T. Targain	D.F.O cum CEO, SLNA
32.	Rudra Bhattarai	Project Coordinator, SLNA

  
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