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From: The Secretary, Agriculture Department, Government of West Bengal

To :

- 1) The Secretary, Govt. of India, Deptt. of Agriculture & Co-operation, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110001
- 2) The Secretary, Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries, Govt. of India, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi – 110 001
- 3) The Secretary, Department of Agriculture Research & Education, Govt. of India, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110 001
- 4) The Commissioner, NRM Division, Govt. of India, Deptt. of Agriculture & Co-operation, Shastri Bhawan, Dr. Rajendra Prasad Road, New Delhi-110 001
- 5) The Advisor (Agriculture), Planning Commission, Yojana Bhawan, Ashoke Road, New Delhi-110001
- 6) Sri Raja Sekhar Vundru,
Joint Secretary, DAC,
Government of India.
- 7) Ms. Reena Saha
Director, Department of Agriculture & Cooperation
Government of India.
- 8) Sri Manas Choudhury
Deputy Advisor, Agri. Division, Planning Commission.

**Sub: Forwarding the minutes of the first meeting of the State Level
Sanctioning Committee (SLSC) held on 29/7/2013.**

Sir/Madam,

Please find herewith the minutes of the first meeting of the State Level Sanctioning Committee (SLSC) on RKVY for the year 2013-14 held on 29/7/2013 for your kind information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully


Secretary

Agriculture Department

Minutes of the State Level Sanctioning Committee Meeting
for approval of RKVY Annual Plan 2013-14

Dated : 29th July 2013

Location : CM's Conference Hall – II, Writers' Buildings, Kolkata.

1. Chief Secretary, Government of West Bengal & Chairman State Level Sanctioning Committee (SLSC) took the Chair. The Govt. of India was represented by Sri. R.S. Vundru, Joint Secretary, Department of Agriculture & Cooperation (DAC), Govt. of India, MS. Reena Saha, Director, DAC Govt. of India and Sri. Manash Choudhury, Dy. Advisor, Agri Division, Planning Commission, GOI. The list of participants is enclosed as **Annexure – A.**

2. Secretary, Agriculture presented the proposed outlay under agriculture & allied sectors under RKVY and its sub-schemes during 2013-14 (**Annexure – B.**). Project proposals under RKVY stream – I for ten (10) stakeholder departments to the tune of Rs. 379.8985 crore was placed before the house. He also submitted revalidation proposal of Rs. 60.0443 crore for eight (8) stakeholder departments for completion of RKVY stream – I projects of 2012-13 as the GoI did not release 2nd instalment fund under stream – I projects. He stated that the fund of Rs. 60.0443 crore required as revalidation amount needs to be kept aside first from GoI allocation under RKVY (Normal) for 2013-14.

3. Secretary, Agriculture Department, Govt. of West Bengal pointed that comments/observation on RKVY stream – II projects by the DAC/Planning Commission should not apply here as per RKVY guidelines. Therefore, the state Govt. would continue to implements stream – II projects as per the priorities of the state.

4. The Jt. Secretary, DAC, GoI pointed that the state submitted a huge no. of projects under RKVY. The state should minimise the no. of projects for better implementation and supervision. MS. Reena Saha, Director, DAC Govt. of India requested for timely submission of utilization certification and uploading of progress report on RDMIS on regular and quarterly basis.

5. Sri. Manash Choudhury, Dy. Advisor, Agri Division, Planning Commission, GOI stated that DPR of FPI & Horticulture Department was not as per format of DAC and requested for resubmission of the same accordingly. He also put forwarded views of Planning Commission for a no. of projects of Agriculture, Fisheries and ARD Deptt.

6. Project wise, sectoral comments and observation of the DAC/Planning Commission, GoI and views of implementing departments, the proposed revised outlay and the decision of SLSC is stated elaborately in **Annexure – C.**

7. Revision of RKVY schemes of Agriculture Department - 2012-13

Following RKVY stream – I schemes proposed for revision seeks post facto approval of SLSC.

Name of the RKVY scheme	Approved outlay (Rs. in crore)	Revised outlay (Rs. in crore)	Remarks
i) Enhancement of Soil fertility	10.1124	6.105417	Project title renamed as Production of alternative source of plant nutrients by individual farmers. Modified owing to non-availability of quality liming materials. The modified project will be done for production of vermin-compost at farmers level.
ii) Infrastructure development of Sub-	22.5000	21.7500	Project title renamed as Establishment of Krishak Bazar. Aimed at setting up of 6 nos. of Krishak Bazar

divisional Agril. Offices with Go-down & Capacity Building facilities.			in Govt. Agril. Farms for strengthening marketing infrastructure.
iii) Strengthening of seed & soil testing facilities to develop farmers advisory System & strengthening of seed testing laboratories & breeder seed production.	2.0000	0.1500	Project title renamed as Production of breeder seed of cereals, maize, pulses, oilseeds, hybrid Paddy & maize. Aimed at supporting seed multiplication for production of quality seeds and sustain crop development.

The SLSC accorded approval in principal to the above revision.

8. RKVY sub-schemes –

i) BGREI

Secretary, Agriculture Department presented the revised BGREI action plan for 2013-14 for the state of West Bengal as per allocation of Gol Rs. 151.27 crore (**detailed Action Plan stated in Annexure – B1**). He raised the point of criteria for allocation of BGREI funds by Gol to the states and expressed concern for reduction of allocation. He requested the Gol representatives to take initiatives for enhancement of allocation under the sub-scheme.

ii) NMPS – ARD Deptt.

Addl. Chief Secretary, ARD Department while presenting the implementation of NMPS necessary modifications have been done as per observation of DAHD&F, Gol and Planning Commission, Gol. The details are stated in the modified DPR submitted to the SLSC. However regarding observation of Planning Commission on the scheme Modernization of Refrigeration Plant, Mother Dairy, Calcutta and regarding the effect of protein supplement to the general being by such assistance will be achieved as the liquid milk may be available to the consumer with the reasonable price.

iii) NMPS – Fisheries Deptt.

Addl. Chief Secretary, Fishery Department stated that all the new schemes including NMPS were examined by the DAHD&F, Gol and communicated the support in favour of the schemes under the No. 1-28/2013-RKVY, Gol, Ministry of Agriculture, dept. of Agriculture & Cooperation dated 26.07.13. He proposed a new scheme and three spill-over schemes for a total amount of Rs.1187.10 crore and requested to enhance the allocation under NMPS for Fishery Sector.

iv) National Vegetable Initiative for Urban Clusters (NVIUC) - FPI & Horticulture Deptt.

The NVIUC project has been revised as per the latest cost norms/guidelines of VIUC. The revised proposal for an amount of Rs. 16.3527 crore was placed before the SLSC for approval by the Director, FPI & Horticulture Department (submitted separately as Annexure – II for FPI & H Deptt.) and requested to enhance the allocation of Gol under the sub-scheme from Rs. 4.34 crore to the proposed amount of Rs. 16.3527 crore.

v) Initiative for Nutritional Security to Intensive Millet Promotion (INSIMP) – Agriculture Deptt.

A project proposal of Rs. 0.5948 crore was placed before the house by Agriculture Deptt. for approval of the SLSC. As the allocation by Gol under INSIMP during 2013-14 has been Rs. 0.02 crore, it is therefore, requested to enhance the allocation of Gol accordingly.

9. Prioritisation of RKVY projects.

The State Nodal Department has submitted project proposals under RKVY normal (Stream –I & II) to the tune of Rs. 468.4953 crore. On the basis of comments/observation of Gol and

Planning Commission the concerned stakeholder departments revised their project proposals accordingly and subsequently, the revised project outlay which came down to Rs. 456.3096 crore (which was at par with admissible max. limit of 150% of allocation under RKVY normal of Rs. 306.16 crore as allocated by GoI) was placed for administrative approval of the SLSC.

The SLSC accorded permission to the RKVY stakeholder departments to prioritise their projects according to sanction and availability of funds.

10. Approval of Budget –

The following allocation proposed by the Administrative Department (Agriculture) was approved in principal with modification as suggested by the SLSC :-

Table-1) SLSC approved outlay under RKVY (normal) and Sub-schemes during 2013-14.

Sl. No.	Department	Revalidation amount (Rs. in Crore)	Revised outlay for RKVY (Normal) Schemes 2013-14 (Rs. in Crore)			Revised allocation under RKVY for (Rs. in Crore)				Number of projects under Stream-I & II
			Stream-I	Stream-II	Total	Revalidated schemes	Stream – I	Stream – II	Total	
1	Agriculture	15.6143	85.5757	25.7489	111.3246	15.6143	38.37	23.19	77.17	13 (6+7)
2	ARD	16.85	54.5821	14.7002	69.2823	16.85	24.47	13.24	54.56	13 (5+8)
3	Fisheries	7.23	45.00	0.00	45.00	7.23	20.17		27.40	12 (12+0)
4	Agril. Marketing	3.83	80.2114	31.6200	111.8314	3.83	35.96	28.48	68.27	9 (2+7)
5	Co-operation	3.47	29.00	2.90	31.90	3.47	13.00	2.61	19.08	15 (13+2)
6	FPI & H	5.40	29.1764	10.0049	39.1813	5.40	13.08	9.01	27.49	18 (10+8)
7	Forest	2.40	19.9750	0.00	19.975	2.40	8.95		11.35	1 (1+0)
8	M & SSE & T	5.25	10.00	0.00	10.00	5.25	4.48		9.73	8 (8+0)
9	Food & Supplies	0.00	12.8150	0.00	12.815	0.00	5.74		5.74	5 (5+0)
10	I & W	0.00	5.00	0.00	5.00	0.00	2.24		2.24	1 (1+0)
Total of RKVY (Normal)		60.0443	371.3356	84.974	456.3096	60.0443	166.51	76.54	303.09	
Administrative Cost @ 1% as per para 3.6 of RKVY guidelines									3.07	
Total of RKVY (Normal)									306.16	

Table 2) SLSC approved outlay RKVY Sub-schemes during 2013-14:

Sl. No.	Name of the Sub-scheme	GOI allocation (Rs. in crore)	SLSC Approved outlay (Rs. in crore)
1	BGREI	151.27	151.27
2	NMPS	14.40	
	a) ARD Deptt.		12.50
	b) Fisheries Deptt.		11.8710
3	NVIUC (Vegetable Cluster)	4.35	16.3528
4	INSIMP	0.02	0.5948
Total		170.04	192.5886
Administrative Cost @ 1% as per para 3.6 of RKVY guidelines			1.9258
Total of RKVY sub-schemes			194.5144

As there was no other issues to discuss the meeting ended with vote of thanks to and from the chair.

Sanyal Anter
Chief Secretary
& Chairman, SLSC