

MINUTES OF THE XITH MEETING OF STATE LEVEL SANCTIONING COMMITTEE (SLSC) FOR RKVY AND 1ST MEETING OF PMKSY HELD UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE CHIEF SECRETARY, A&N ADMINISTRATION ON 04.10.2016 AT 4.00 PM IN THE CONFERENCE HALL OF THE SECRETARIAT.

The list of Officers present in the meeting is at **Annexure – I**.

At the outset, Smti. R.Menaka, Secretary (Agri/AH&VS/Fy)) welcomed the Chief Secretary, A & N Administration/Chairman, State Level Sanctioning Committee (SLSC), Shri.Pawan Gupta, Director (IT), RKVY representative from Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare and Shri. K. Azhagesan, Director (Monitoring) representative from Ministry of Water resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation and other Members of the Committee. Thereafter the Secretary(Agri/AH&VS/Fy)) informed that in the SLSC, the Action plan of RKVY for 2016-17 in respect of Department of Agriculture, AH & VS and Fisheries, State Extension Work Plan (SEWP) of ATMA for 2016-17 and State Irrigation Plan of PMKSY will be reviewed for approval. The Secretary(Agri/AH&VS/Fy) then requested the Directors of Agriculture, Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Service and Fisheries department to make the Power point presentations in respect to their concerned departments.

AGRICULTURE SECTOR

The Director of Agriculture presented the power point presentation in respect of Agriculture Department. He informed the committee that during the year 2015-16, Rs. 61.00 lakhs was allotted in the annual plan for RKVY, out of which Rs. 40.94 lakh was utilized. The ongoing projects vis-à-vis targets and achievement for the year 2015-16 was discussed.

Continuing Projects

1. Baseline survey to ascertain the present status of Chemical residues in soil, water and agricultural products and its regular monitoring in Andaman Islands.

The Director of Agriculture informed that CIARI, Port Blair is implementing the project with a total outlay of Rs 26.147 lakhs since 2012-13. The project has not been completed therefore it is proposed to continue the project for another one year and to release 4th (final) installment of Rs. 2.377 lakhs on submission of final report by CIARI, Port Blair.

In this regard, the Chairman of the Committee enquired the present status of the project. The representative from CIARI informed that the project is in final stage and the report will be submitted within two months. The Director of Agriculture informed that as per the comments received from the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare (MoA&FW), the proposal is supported on the basis of the decision in previous SLSC subject to non-duplication/overlapping of activities and no escalation of cost for the same physical target.

The SLSC approved to continue the project.

2. Promotion of Organic Farming in A&N Islands -Establishment of Vermi/organic compost units in farmers field.

The Director of Agriculture informed that during 2015-16, a physical target of constructing 1000 nos. vermi/organic compost unit in farmers field was proposed. No achievement could be done, as the project with change of modality was approved in the Xth SLSC held on 10th February 2016. However, the selection of beneficiaries is under process and therefore requested to continue the project.

The Chairman enquired the present status of the project. The Director informed that this a continuing project since 2010 and under this scheme construction of 10,000 nos. vermi/organic compost units were planned. So far 1930 nos. units have been constructed by providing assistance @ Rs. 10000/- per unit. In the Xth SLSC meeting, the committee approved to continue the project by changing the modality.

The Chief Secretary desired that the target may be fixed on the basis of the ground reality and executed effectively. The MoA&FW has supported the proposal.

The SLSC approved to continue the project.

3.Implementation of Fruit and Vegetable Mission at Car Nicobar-Distribution of vegetable seed and fruit sapling minikit

The Director of Agriculture informed that during 2015-16 distribution of 1250 nos. vegetable and 1500 nos. fruit sapling kit @ Rs. 350/- per kit among the tribal farmers of Car nicobar was proposed and the target could not be achieved as the firm to which supply order for planting materials was placed, did not supply the planting materials due to inclement weather at Chennai. Therefore it was proposed to continue the project during 2016-17 so that total 2750 kits can be distributed. The MoA&FW has supported the proposal as per RKVY guidelines.

The SLSC approved to continue the project.

4. Construction of RCC Ringwells in Kamorta/Nancowry group of Islands.

The Director of Agriculture informed that during 2015-16, 4 nos. RCC Ringwells in Kamorta & Nancowry group of islands was constructed and an expenditure of Rs. 8.915 lakhs was incurred.

The project is complete.

5. Creation of Marketing infrastructure-installation of Cold chamber for Co-operatives/PACS/PRIs @ 75% subsidy.

The Director of Agriculture informed that during 2015-16, 11 nos of cold chambers were installed and an expenditure of Rs. 18.645 lakhs was incurred.

The project is complete.

6. Establishment of Bio fertilizer and bio-pesticide production unit.

The Director of Agriculture informed that the project was approved in the Xth SLSC meeting. Under the project it is proposed to establish a bio fertilizer and bio pesticide production unit at OH Farm Sippighat. Only equipments and machinery will be purchased under the project from RKVY. It is proposed to continue the project. The MoA&FW has supported the ongoing project as per the decision in previous SLSC subject to non-duplication/overlapping of activities and no escalation of cost for same physical target.

The SLSC approved to continue the project.

7 .Infrastructure for Post Harvest Management through Solar Drying

Construction of threshing cum drying yard.

The Director of Agriculture informed that the project was approved in the Xth SLSC meeting and under the project it was proposed to construct a total of 120 nos. of Threshing cum drying yard with a total outlay of Rs. 66.0 lakhs. During 2015-16, 15 nos. Threshing cum drying yard were constructed and an amount of Rs.7.45 lakhs was incurred. The balance 105 nos. will be constructed during 2016-17. It is proposed to continue the project. The MoA&FW has supported the ongoing project as per the decision in previous SLSC subject to non-duplication/overlapping of activities and no escalation of cost for same physical target.

The SLSC approved to continue the project.

8. Conversion of departmental farms to organic demonstration farms.

The Director of Agriculture informed that the project was approved in the Xth SLSC meeting. Under the project, two departmental farms viz. Progeny farm Jirkatang,

and MP farm at Keralapuram, Diglipur have been identified for conversion to Organic Demonstration farm. Work will be initiated this year onwards. It is proposed to continue the project. The MoA& FW has supported the project as per the comments of INM.

The SLSC approved to continue the project.

9. Establishment of Vermi/organic compost units in departmental farms.

The Director of Agriculture informed that the project was approved in the Xth SLSC meeting. Under this project two nos. of vermicompost units will be constructed in two departmental farms viz. Progeny farm Jirkatang and OH farm, Sippighat. As the work could not be started during 2015-16 due to non-receipt of fund, it is proposed to continue the project for 2016-17. The MoA& FW has supported the project.

The SLSC approved to continue the project.

10. Construction of RCC Ringwell at Kakana village, Nancowrie group of Islands

The Director of Agriculture informed that the project was approved in the meeting of Xth SLSC. Under the project it was proposed to construct 8 nos. RCC ringwells at Kakana village of Nancowrie groups of Islands. He informed that the work order for the same has been issued and the work is in progress. The MoA&FW has supported the project as per the decision in previous SLSC subject to non-duplication/overlapping of activities and no escalation of cost for same physical target.

The SLSC approved to continue the project.

11. Demonstration on Drip Irrigation at Progeny Farm, Jirkatang.

The Director of Agriculture informed that the project was approved in the Xth SLSC. Under the project drip irrigation will be laid at the progeny farm Jirkatang for demonstration purpose. He informed that the work is in final stage and will be completed soon. The MoA&FW has supported as per the decision in previous SLSC subject to non-duplication/overlapping of activities and no escalation of cost for same physical target.

The SLSC approved to continue the project.

NEW PROJECTS

Thereafter the Director of Agriculture informed the committee that 10 new projects were proposed for implementation during 2016-17. Out of this, Ministry of Agriculture

& farmers Welfare (MoA&FW) has supported 9 new projects. The details of new projects are as under-

i. Excavation of Farm Ponds in departmental farms

ii. Construction of RCC Ring wells in departmental farms

The Director of Agriculture informed that Agriculture is being rainfed in these islands and there has always been un-certainty of water availability. Therefore creation of water harvesting structures in departmental farms like farm ponds, ring wells will facilitate irrigation for regular cultivation. Under this project it is proposed to excavate four (04) numbers Ponds in four departmental farms with a total outlay of Rs. 15.0 lakhs and two (2) numbers RCC ringwell in two departmental farms with a total outlay of Rs. 5.20 lakhs. The MoA&FW has supported the project as per PMKSY norms.

The SLSC approved the project

iii. Construction of Vermi compost units

The Director of Agriculture informed that in every farm large quantities of farm organic waste is available which can be recycled to produce organic compost/ vermicompost which can be further used in the farms. With this objective it is proposed to construct 18 nos. vermicompost units in 18 departmental farms with a total outlay of Rs. 84.0 lakhs. The MoA&FW has supported the project.

The SLSC approved the project

iv. Soil and water conservation activities (Terracing, Gully Control Measures, Spill Ways, Check Dams, Spurs, Diversion Drains, Protection walls etc.) in Departmental farms

The Director of Agriculture informed that undulating topography and heavy rainfall in these islands causes washing out of top soil. In order to protect the soil and to conserve water, measures like Bench terracing, Gully control , Spill ways, Check dams, C.C. spurs, Diversion drains, Protection walls & barriers and contour trenches/drains are proposed to be undertaken in Eight (08) departmental farms with a total outlay of Rs.100.0 lakhs. The MoA&FW has supported the project as per PMKSY norms.

The SLSC approved the project

v. Setting up of New Soil Testing Laboratories at Car Nicobar and N&M Andaman

The Director of Agriculture informed that Soil Nutrient Management is crucial for sustainable agriculture development. From the single Soil Testing Laboratory situated at Port Blair it is not possible to test the soils and issue Soil health cards to the farmers of all the 8 agricultural Zones. Therefore it was felt necessary to establish two Soil testing laboratory-one at Car Nicobar (for Nicobar district) with an outlay of Rs. 188.0 lakh and another at Mayabunder (for N&M Andaman district) for Rs. 147.66 lakhs.

The Chairman of the committee enquired whether the existing Soil testing laboratory is functioning properly. The Director replied that the Soil testing laboratory at Goal Ghar, South Andaman is functioning well. The MoA&FW has supported the project as per RKVY guidelines.

The SLSC approved the project

vi. Establishment of E- KisanBhawan

The Director of Agriculture informed that with the objective to link directly with the rural farmers via the internet for procurement of agricultural and allied products, providing latest information on weather, market price, relevant advisories etc. the proposal to set up E-Kisan Bhawan in the existing RKC's of the three districts viz. South Andaman, N&M Andaman and Nicobar is proposed with a total outlay of Rs.30.00 lakhs. The MoA&FW has supported the project as per ISAM norms.

The SLSC approved the project

vii. Establishment of Custom Hiring Center

The Director of Agriculture informed that with the objective to make available various farm machinery/equipments to small and marginal farmers, the proposal to establish Custom hiring centres in three district viz. South Andaman, N&M Andaman and Nicobar is proposed with a total outlay of Rs.64.59 lakhs. The MoA&FW has supported the project as per RKVY guidelines.

The SLSC approved the project

viii. Tractors along with accessories for Departmental Seed Multiplication Farms

The Director of Agriculture informed that due to insufficient manpower in departmental Seed Multiplication Farms and to ensure timely land preparation, it is proposed to provide tractors along with trolley and implements to the three seed

multiplication farms of the department. The proposal was not supported by the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers welfare.

The SLSC did not approve the project

ix. Setting up of efficient, profitable and sustainable apiculture in A&N Islands.

The Director of Agriculture described in brief the importance of setting up of a efficient, profitable and sustainable apiculture in A&N islands. The importance of bee keeping was also briefed. The project is supported by the Ministry of Agriculture & farmers welfare.

The SLSC approved the project.

Following Ratification were also proposed and approved by the committee:

ATMA - State Extension Work Plan (SEWP) of Centrally Sponsored Scheme "Support to State Extension Programme for Extension Reforms – ATMA" for the year 2016-17 has been approved by the Ministry for an outlay of Rs. 312.1408 lakhs.

FISHERIES SECTOR

The Director of Fisheries briefed the schemes of Fisheries Sector under RKVY through power point presentation. He informed the Committee that during 2015-16, the Department implemented 04 (four) schemes under RKVY and an expenditure of Rs. 3.62 Lakhs was incurred for the same. The expenditure was met under Plan.

The review report of the schemes implemented during 2015-16 is as follows:-

| S. No. | Name of Schemes | Physical | | Financial (in Lakhs) | |
|--------|--|-----------|-------------|----------------------|-------------|
| | | Target | Achievement | Target | Achievement |
| 1. | Supply of Deep Freezers on 25% subsidy. | 45 | 15 | 3.50 | 1.17 |
| 2. | Supply of Insulated Ice Boxes on 25% Subsidy | 135 Boxes | 30 Boxes | 4.50 | 1.98 |
| 3. | Subsidy (25%) for purchase of Fish Harvesting Net | 20 | 01 | 1.00 | 0.05 |
| 4. | Subsidy (25%) for construction of Nursery Pond and Freshwater Fish Breeding Materials. | 20 | 01 | 1.00 | 0.14 |

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|--------------|-----------------------|---|---|--------------|-------------|
| 5. | Advertisement Charges | - | - | - | 0.28 |
| TOTAL | | | | 10.00 | 3.62 |

The Director of Fisheries explained that the reduction of subsidy from 50% to 25% is the main reason for low performance. Thereafter, the Director of Fisheries presented the proposed Draft Annual Action Plan for 2016-17.

CONTINUING SCHEMES

The following schemes are proposed to be continued for the year 2016-17. These projects have been supported by the Ministry

1. Providing 25% subsidy on purchase of Deep Freezers and 100% subsidy on transportation cost from mainland to Port Blair and Port Blair to various islands.

The Department proposed to provide 25% subsidy on the cost of Deep Freezers and also proposed to provide 100% subsidy on transportation cost from mainland to Port Blair and Port Blair to various islands. The Department proposed Physical target of 50 Deep Freezers and Financial Target of Rs. 4.00 Lakhs.

The SLSC approved the project.

2. Providing 25% subsidy on purchase of Ice Boxes and 100% subsidy on transportation cost from mainland to Port Blair and Port Blair to various islands.

The Department proposed to provide 25% subsidy on the cost of Ice Boxes and also proposed to provide 100% subsidy on transportation cost from mainland to Port Blair and Port Blair to various islands. The Department proposed Physical target of 150 Ice Boxes and Financial Target of Rs. 5.00 Lakhs.

The SLSC approved the project.

3. Introduction of Intermediary Mechanized Fishing Craft on Subsidy.

The Director of Fisheries informed that during the year 2014-15, the subsidy was reduced from 50% to 25% and hence, the fisherman could not afford to obtain the benefit under the scheme. Therefore the Department proposed to increase the subsidy from 25% to 50% and maximum ceiling from Rs. 7.50 Lakhs to Rs. 15.00 Lakhs. The Department proposed Physical target of 02 Crafts and Financial Target of Rs. 30.00 Lakhs

The SLSC approved the project.

4. Subsidy for Purchase of Fish Harvesting Net

The Department proposed to continue the scheme with 50% subsidy with a maximum subsidy ceiling as Rs. 12,000/- per Fish Harvesting Net. The Department proposed Physical target of 20 No's and Financial Target of Rs. 2.00 Lakhs.

The SLSC approved to continue the project.

5. Subsidy for construction of Nursery Ponds and Breeding Materials for Freshwater fish seed production.

The Department proposed to continue the scheme with 50% subsidy with a maximum subsidy ceiling as Rs. 35,000/- for construction of Nursery Pond and purchase of one set of breeding materials. The Department proposed Physical target of 10 No's and Financial Target of Rs. 2.00 Lakhs.

The SLSC approved to continue the project.

6. Subsidy for Setting up of new Ice Plant and Cold Storage in A&N Islands.

The Department proposed to continue the project during 2016-17 with a physical target of 01 No's and financial target of Rs. 2.00 Lakhs (token provision).

The SLSC approved to continue the project.

7. Purchase of Deep Sea Fishing Vessels for fishing in Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

The Department proposed to continue the project during 2016-17 with a physical target of 03 No's and financial target of Rs. 2.00 Lakhs (token provision).

The SLSC approved to continue the project.

8. Subsidy for setting up of Open Sea Cage Culture Unit.

The Department proposed to continue the project during 2016-17 with a physical target of 02 No's and financial target of Rs. 1.00 Lakhs (token provision).

The SLSC approved to continue the project.

9. Financial Assistance (100%) for Tribal Council of Nicobar Districts to acquire Intermediary Mechanized Fishing Craft (IMFC) for the purpose of demonstration of fishing in Nicobar District.

The Director informed the Committee that the Department proposed to supply Intermediary Mechanized Fishing Crafts (IMFC) to all the Tribal Councils of Nicobar District for the purpose of demonstration of fishing activity. The department proposes to supply 04 IMFC during 2016-17 with a financial outlay of Rs. 150.00 Lakhs (token provision).

The SLSC approved the project.

NEW PROJECTS

The Director of Fisheries also presented 3 (three) new schemes which are proposed to be implemented by the Department of Fisheries during 2016-17.

1. Subsidy for purchase of Pellet Feed to Pisciculturists.

The Director of Fisheries informed the Committee that to enhance the growth of freshwater fishes, the department proposes a new scheme "Subsidy for purchase of Pellet Feed to Pisciculturists" @ 25% subsidy on the actual cost of pellet feed subject to maximum of Rs. 2000.00 in a year. The department propose a physical target of 100 No's with financial target of Rs. 2.00 Lakhs.

The SLSC approved the project.

2. Subsidy for purchase of Moped for selling of fish.

To help the fisher women/ fish vendors, the Department proposes to implement this Scheme @ 50% subsidy on the actual cost of Moped subject to maximum of Rs. 30,000.00. The department propose a physical target of 06 No's with financial target of Rs. 0.90 Lakhs.

The SLSC approved the project.

3. Subsidy for purchase of refrigerated van.

The Department proposes to implement this Scheme with the aim to provide proper transportation facility to supply fish from one place to another in fresh condition for better economic returns. The department proposed subsidy @ 33.33% subsidy as this activity is supported under AMI Sub-scheme of ISAM.

The SLSC approved the project.

SECTOR: ANIMAL HUSBANDRY

The Director (AH&VS) informed the committee, that during the year 2016-17 the department is proposing to implement 09 schemes of which Four are Continuing Scheme while 5 are New Schemes. The details of project wise discussion held is as under:-

CONTINUING SCHEMES**Project No: 01 Immunization of Rural Backyard Poultry Birds.**

Director (AH&VS), explained that this is a continuing scheme which has been very successful in controlling mortality due to Ranikhet Diseases in backyard poultry. This program is proposed to be continued for the year 2016-17 with an outlay of Rs. 30.00 Lakh.

The SLSC approved to continue the programme.

Project No: 02 Incentive for Hygienic Pig Shelter- Providing 25 % Subsidy on construction of Hygienic shelter for pigs.

The Ministry has supported for continuation of the programme for the year 2016-17 with a restriction in subsidy amount of Rs. 25,000.00 per farmer in lieu of proposed Rs. 1.00 Lakh for construction of Hygienic shelter for pigs. The programme will be implemented in all three districts.

The SLSC approved the revised programme with an outlay of Rs. 2.50 lakh.

Project No: 03 Study on the status of mineral profile in cattle sera and its correlation with infertility and Production- (Grant-in-Aid provided to ICAR-CIARI)

The proposal with an outlay of Rs. 14.00 lakh for the year 2016-17 and its utility was explained in brief by Director (AH&VS). The Ministry has invited comments from ICAR, this being a subject of Research. Representative of ICAR-CIARI in the SLSC informed that this is a project from CIARI (ICAR) and work was in progress in this regard.

The SLSC approved to continue the project.

Project No: 04 Strengthening of Artificial Insemination facilities using Frozen Semen Technology- Maintenance of Cold Chain facilities in Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

It was informed that there is urgent need to establish a new LN₂ Plant at Port Blair as the existing plant is more than 16 years old and there is frequent break down. Further it is an obsolete model and spares are difficult to be sourced. The existing plant will serve as a good backup. The Ministry supported the proposal with an outlay of Rs. 170.00 Lakh for the year 2016-17.

The SLSC approved to continue the project.

NEW SCHEME PROPOSED DURING 2016-17

The Director (AH&VS) placed the following five new projects before the SLSC committed for its approval for implementation in these islands during 2016-17.

Project No: 01 Augmentation of Infrastructure for Milk Procurement from North and Middle Andaman and Neil Islands.

The house was briefed about the project and the Director (AH&VS), clarifying the points raised by DD, DADF, stated that the implementation of the project will provide assured market for the milk producers in North and Middle Andaman and give a boost to augment sale of milk products. It was also informed that the Utilization Certificate (UC) for the entire Grant-in-Aid of Rs. 1.25 crore has been submitted. The DD, DADF has also broadly supported the programme. The General Manager, ANIIDCO Limited, special invitee informed that on the advise of experts from NDDB, the project proposal was revised, and some of the civil works were dropped. Accordingly a revised proposal for Rs. 190.00 Lakh was submitted.

The SLSC approved the programme.

Project No: 02 Strengthening of Animal Husbandry Delivery System in Andaman and Nicobar Islands- Provision of Mobile Veterinary Services in A & N Islands.

Director (AH&VS) explained that the induction of 5 nos new Mobile Ambulatory Clinics will reduce capital expenditure on infrastructure development and increase the reach

to remote villages. It will ensure effective implementation of extension programmes of the department in specific regions and far off villages. DADF and Ministry also supported the project for its implementation for the year 2016-17.

The SLSC approved the project with an outlay of Rs. 30.00 Lakh.

Project No: 03 Conservation of Teressa Goat

Director (AH&VS) informed the house that National Bureau of Animal Genetic Resources has registered the Teressa Goat as indigenous breed of Andaman & Nicobar Islands. The proposal is to conserve the Teressa Goat in order to propagate it and develop it for its economic value. The project is approved by SR, DAHD& with a advise to cut cost of feed and to furnish details of equipment and medicines to be procured.

The Director (AH&VS) informed that the feed component will be reduced from Rs. 2,50,000.00 to Rs. 90,000.00 (i.e. @ Rs. 30.00 per kg for 3000 kg), and various types of medicines to be procured such as Anthelmintic, Antibiotics, Antibloat Medication, Rumenotonic, Antihistominiesetc which will also be incorporated in the Annual Plan 2016-17.

The committee approved the plan with a modified outlay of Rs. 8.40 Lakh.

Project No: 04 Incentives for construction of Cow Shelter

Director (AH&VS) explained to the house that most of the farmers rear animals under Free-Range system. Rearing cattle under scientific management system ensures optimum feeding, good health and increased, hygienic milk production. Providing a cow with shelter will protect it from the inclement weather as well as help in waste management. While clarifying the comments of NPBB, DAHD&F, Director (AH&VS) informed that, 20 Nos. selected farmers who are rearing 5 cows or more will be eligible to avail 25% subsidy on construction of cow shelter with a maximum of Rs. 50,000.00 for the year 2016-17.

The SLSC approved the project for an outlay of Rs. 10.00 Lakh.

Project No: 05 Promotion of Azolla as feed supplement

Director (AH&VS) informed to the house that, availability of feed and feed ingredients are major constraints for growth of livestock sector in Andaman and Nicobar islands. Azolla is the most promising livestock feed due to its ease of cultivation, productivity and nutritive value. The Department proposes to establish Azolla tanks in all its livestock farms with an aim to provide training and demonstration to livestock owners on the cultivation and feeding of Azolla. The livestock farmers will be provided 25% subsidy to construct and maintain the azolla farms. NPBB, DAHD&F has supported the project.

The SLSC approved the project with an outlay of Rs. 10.00 Lakh.

After the presentation of RKVY, the Chief Secretary, A&N Admn, (Chairman of the Committee) informed that the target projected should be concrete and realistic requirement of fund should be proposed. He also requested the representative of the MoA&FW to speed up the fund allotment as only 4 months is left for the financial year to be over during which the work have to be completed.

The approved action plan for the year 2016-17 for the continuing and new projects approved by the committee is at **Annexure II**.

The General Comment of Ministry of Agriculture on implementation of RKVY projects is at **Annexure III**.

Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchaai Yojana (PMKSY)

After presentation of RKVY projects, Shri. Jayanta Biswas, AEA of the Agriculture department presented the State Irrigation Plan under PMKSY before the committee. The District Irrigation Plans for the three districts with physical and financial estimates were highlighted. It was stated that the outlay of South Andaman District was Rs. 2332 lakhs, for N&M Andaman District was Rs. 3065.5 lakhs and for Nicobar District it was Rs. 225 lakhs. The total financial outlay of three districts was Rs. 5622.5 lakhs for a period of four years. It was also mentioned that the escalation in estimate may be around 20% on the basis of location and site while implementing the project.

For effective use of water, to achieve **“Per Drop More Crop”**, the best water storage structures with irrigation facilities was presented before the Committee. It includes 157 nos. of Check Dams, 400 nos. dugwell along streams, excavation of 1520 nos. lined ponds in hill tops, renovation of 400 nos. of existing ponds, excavation of 202 nos. MI ponds, supply of 1100 nos. electric motor and conveyance, laying out drip irrigation in 420 hectares area, construction of 30 nos. RCC ringwell, creation of 100 nos small rainwater harvesting structures and 250 nos. landscaping in coastal areas.

The check dams will be executed by APWD / Zilla Parishad. Ponds, Wells and drip systems will be executed by the Agriculture Department in convergence with MGNREGA. In tribal areas, 100% expenditure will be borne by the Agriculture department in execution and in non-tribal areas the UT norms in execution will be followed. The Department of Agriculture will be the nodal department and will monitor the execution of the projects.

After completion of the presentation, Shri. R. Azhagesan, Director (Monitoring), Central Water Commission, Cauvery & Southern Rivers Organization, GoI, Ministry of Water Resources, the representative of GoI on behalf of Chief Engineer, C&SRO, Coimbatore pointed out that DPR should be prepared before implementation of the scheme on the basis of PMKSY.

The SLSC chaired by the Chief Secretary, approved the schemes to be undertaken under PMKSY in A&N Islands. It was suggested to prepare DPR as mentioned by the representative nominated by GoI for PMKSY.

The meeting ended with thanks to the chair.

Director (Agriculture)

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ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION
DIRECTORATE OF AGRICULTURE

Port Blair, dated the 20th October 2016.

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15. The Joint Director (Agri), HQ / Nicobar District for information and necessary action.
16. The AO (Agri), DA's Office for information.
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Sd/-

Director (Agri)

ANNEXURE-I**LIST OF OFFICERS/OFFICIALS WHO ATTENDED THE ELEVENTH MEETING OF STATE LEVEL SANCTIONING COMMITTEE FOR RKVY AND 1ST MEETING OF PMKSY HELD ON 04/10/2016 AT 4.00 P.M. IN THE CONFERENCE HALL OF THE SECRETARIAT, A&N ADMINISTRATION.**

| Sl. No | Name & Designation |
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| 1. | Shri AnindoMajumdar,IAS Chief Secretary A&N Administration |
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ANNEXURE – III**GENERAL COMMENTS:**

1. The State, while releasing the fund to implementing agency, will ensure that the project fulfils all the conditions prescribed in the new Operational Guidelines of RKVY 2014 e.g.
 - i. Cost Norms: Cost norms in similar Govt. of India/ State Govt. Schemes/ Programmes shall be followed. In case, no cost norms is available, SLSC can take a conscious decision on the proposed cost norms based on local parameters. (para 4.6 of RKVY Guidelines,2014).
 - ii. Pattern of Assistance: Specified in various central Government Schemes will be applicable to the projects. the condition of financial assistance should not be more than 25% of the project cost has to be followed where ever applicable.
 - iii. All Government (Centre/ State) and quasi- Govt. (Fully funded organization, State Agriculture Universities, Panchayati Raj Institutions, Primary Agriculture Credit Societies(PACS) etc. may be entitled to 100% funding of Project cost under RKVY for creation of assets/ infrastructure to promote activities in agriculture and allied sectors. It has been approved by the competent authority that in case of Implementing Agency which are fully Government or Semi Government Organization the rate of subsidy will be 100% for infrastructure & creation of asset and for others rate of subsidy will be as per Guidelines of RKVY.
 - iv. Technical Requirements/Standards specified in various Central Government Schemes will be applicable to these projects.
2. While implementing approved projects, State may ensure that there should not be any duplication of funds with the activities of any other scheme.
3. Ongoing projects and new projects from 2014-15 onward should be categorized into “ Production Growth” and “Infrastructure & Assets” for facilitating allocation of funds (para-4 of RKVY guidelines,2014). out of

total allocation available to States under RKVY (Normal) category (excluding allocation under special schemes) the States will have to allocated minimum stipulated fund to “ Infrastructure & Assets stream” (35% at central level or 43.75 % at State Level) as per letter No.9-1/2013- -RKVY dated 11.12.2014.

4. In no case, any fund can be released to a project which is in the Negative List prescribed in appendix B of RKVY Guidelines.
5. Sub-Schemes: the project has to be approved by Subject Matter Division of DAC/DAHD&F.
6. States may be requested to update RKVY –RDMIS regularly.
7. All recurring expenditure will be subject to Negative list, (Annexure D) & 1% administrative cost guidelines.
8. State Government may ensure that there is no overlapping of assistance for a project under RKVY from different other schemes.

PHYSICAL AND FINANCIAL TARGET FOR RKVY DURING 2016-17

| Sl. No | Project Name | Phy. Target | Fin. Target (in lakhs) |
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| FISHERIES SECTOR | | | |
| | New project | | |
| 1. | Subsidy for purchase of Pellet Feed to Pisciculturists. | 100 | 2.00 |
| 2. | Subsidy for purchase of Moped for selling of fish. | 06 | 0.90 |
| 3. | Subsidy for purchase of refrigerated van | 02 | 6.00 |
| | Continuing projects | | |
| 1 | Subsidy on purchase of deep freezers on subsidy to fishermen/tribes of A&N Islands | 50 nos | 4.0 |
| 2 | Supply of Insulated Ice Boxes on subsidy to fishers of A&N Islands | 150 nos. | 5.0 |
| 3 | Introduction of Intermediary Mechanized Fishing Craft | 2 crafts | 30.0 |
| 4 | Subsidy for purchase of fish harvesting net | 20 nets | 2.0 |
| 5 | Subsidy for construction of nursery ponds and breeding materials for fresh water fish seed production | 10 ponds | 2.0 |
| 6 | Setting up of Ice plant and cold storage in A&N Islands | 01 units | 2.0 (token provision) |
| 7 | Purchase of Deep Sea Fishing Vessels for fishing in A&N Islands | 03 nos | 2.0 (token provision) |
| 8 | Subsidy for setting up of Open Sea Cage Culture Unit | 02 units | 1.0 (token provision) |
| 9 | Financial Assistance (100%) for Tribal Council of Nicobar Districts to acquire Intermediary Mechanized Fishing Craft (IMFC) for the purpose of demonstration fishing in Nicobar District. | 04 crafts | 150.0 |
| | Subtotal (A) | | 206.90 |
| ANIMAL HUSBANDRY & VETERINARY SECTOR | | | |
| | New project | | |
| 1 | Augmentation of Infrastructure for Milk Procurement from North and Middle Andaman and Neil Islands. | 5 sets 200 nos. | 190.0 |

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| | Bulk milk coolers Milk Analyzer, Laboratory Items & General Items Civil Works for building, erection and commissioning | Electronic Items | 4 places | |
| 2 | Strengthening of Animal Husbandry Delivery system in A&N islands- Provision of Mobile Veterinary Services in A&N Islands | | 05 | 30.00 |
| 3. | Conservation of Teressa Goat | | 35 nos | 8.40 |
| 4. | Incentive for construction of Cow Shelter | | 20 nos | 10.00 |
| 5. | Promotion of Azolla as feed supplement | | 70 ponds | 10.00 |
| | Continuing project | | | |
| | Immunization of Rural Backyard Poultry Birds | | | |
| 1 | a) Part Time Vaccinators to be engaged. (In Nos) | | 250 | |
| | b) Training of vaccinators. (In Nos.) | | 250 | |
| | c) Number of birds to be vaccinated (Nos. in Lakh) | | 12.00 | 30.00 |
| | d) Purchase of Vaccine carrier/thermic container. (In Nos) | | 150 | |
| | e) Purchase of Liquid Ice pack. (In Nos.) | | 150 | |
| | f) Purchase of Deep Freezers. (In Nos.) | | 6 | |
| 2 | Incentive for Hygienic Pig Shelter | | 10 farmers | 2.50 |
| 3 | Study on the status of minerals profile in cattle sera and its correlation with infertility and Production. | | - | 14.00 |
| 4 | Strengthening of Artificial Insemination facilities using Frozen Semen Technology- Maintenance of Cold Chain facilities in Andaman & Nicobar Islands. | | 1No. | 170.00 |
| | Sub Total (B) | | | 464.90 |

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| | AGRICULTURE SECTOR | | |
| I. | New projects | | |
| A. | Sector –Horticulture | | |
| 1. | Farm Ponds | 4 nos | 15.00 |
| 2. | RCC Ring Wells | 2 nos | 5.20 |
| 3. | Vermi compost units | 18 nos | 84.00 |
| B. | Sector – Natural Resource Management | | |
| 1. | Soil and Water conservation activities in Departmental Farm (Terracing, Gully Control Measures, Spill Ways, Check Dams, Spurs, Diversion Drains, Protection Walls etc.) | 21 ha | 100.00 |
| C. | Sector –Soil Nutrient Management | | |
| 1. | Setting up of new Soil Testing Laboratories at Nimbudera | 1.0 nos | 147.66 |
| 2. | Setting up of new Soil Testing Laboratories at Nicobar District | 1.0 nos | 188.00 |
| D. | Sector – Marketing and Post Harvest | | |
| 1. | E-KisanBhawans/Internet Kiosks | 3 nos | 30.00 |
| E. | Sector – Agriculture Mechanization | | |
| 1. | Custom Hiring Centres for Agriculture Equipment | 3 nos | 64.59 |
| F | Setting up of efficient, profitable and sustainable apiculture in A&N Islands (Industries Department) | - | 25.00 |
| | Continuing project | | |
| 1 | Promotion of Organic farming in A&N islands – Establishment of Vermi/ organic compost units in farmers field-tank/ ring method size- 9’x 5’x 2’(2.7 x 1.5 x 0.6 mt) /2 m diameter RCC rings. | 1000 nos | Fund available with dept. |
| 2 | Baseline survey to ascertain the present status of chemical residues in soil, water & agricultural products and its regular monitoring. | Project based | 2.376 |
| 3 | Distribution of Vegetable and fruit sapling minikit under Fruit & | 2750 nos. | 9.625 |

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| | Vegetable mission, Car Nicobar | | |
| 4 | Establishment of Bio fertilizer and bio pesticide production unit | 1no. | 181.50 |
| 5 | Infrastructure for Post Harvest Management through Solar Drying: Construction of Threshing cum drying yard of size (10m x 8m) | 105 nos. | 58.55 |
| 6 | Establishment of vermi/Organic compost units in Departmental Farms-1 unit each at Organic Horticulture Farm- Sippighat & Progeny Farm, Jirkatang | 2 Unit | 8.00 |
| 7 | Conversion of departmental farm to Organic Demonstration Farm | 2 farms | 33.50 |
| 8 | Construction of RCC Ringwell at Ringwell at Kakana village, Nancowrie group of Islands | 8 nos | 18.60 |
| 9 | Demonstration on "Drip irrigation" at Progeny Farm, Jirkatang. | 1.0 ha | 4.0 |
| | Sub Total (C) | | 975.601 |
| | Grand total (A+B+C) | | 1647.401 |