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Dated. 20 November

## **OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

Subject: Meeting of Coordination Committee to monitor, planning and progress of the schemes/programmes being implemented for overall development of Scheduled Tribes.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith a copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Coordination Committee of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs held under the chairmanship of Secretary (TA) on 7<sup>th</sup> November, 2014 in the Conference Room No. 734-735, 'A' Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi for information and necessary action.

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# To,

- 1) Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 2) Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Agricultural Research and Education, , Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
- 3) Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries, , Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
- 4) Secretary, Department of Health Research, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, ICMR, Ansari Nagar, New Delhi-110029
- 5) Advisor, Planning Commission, Yojana Bhawan, New Delhi.

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JS (A)/ JS (MKP) /DDG All Divisional Heads PS to Secretary (TA)

# Minutes of Coordination Committee Meeting to monitor, planning and progress of schemes/programmes being implemented for overall development of Scheduled Tribes held on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2014.

A meeting of the Coordination Committee constituted for monitoring, planning and progress of the schemes/programmes being implemented for overall development of Scheduled Tribes was held under the chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of Tribal Affairs on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2014 at 10:30 AM in Conference Hall, M/o Tribal Affairs, Shastri Bhawan. The agenda of the meeting was "Tribal Sub Plan of Ministry of Agriculture".

- 2. List of participants is annexed (Annex-I).
- 3. Department of Agriculture Research & Education:

A presentation was made by Dr. Vasisht, ADG, ICAR, DARE.

- 3.1 ICAR is the apex scientific research organization for planning, promotion, execution and coordination of agricultural research and education. The XII Plan allocation of TSP component of ICAR is Rs. 920 Crores with current year 2014-15 allocation of Rs. 133.80 Crores.
- 3.2 The TSP programmes of ICAR include sustainable management of water, land, forest resources and management of common property resources. Awareness campaigns on micro finance, advisory services, access to inputs and market linkages also forms an important activity.
- 3.3 For dissemination of information and benefits, training on scientific cultivation of maize and pulse crops, dairy, pig and backyard poultry farming, frontline demonstrations on crop and horticulture based, livestock based interventions and balanced use of fertilizers, on field trials, exhibitions, exposure visits are undertaken.
- 3.4 Small millets cultivation has been undertaken under TSP in States such as: Odisha, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala and Karnataka covering 246 hectares of land benefitting 926 tribal farmers. Village fairs and farmer fairs, training programmes in tribal villages on small millets characteristics, sowing and planting methods are also organized.
- 3.5 Tribal women are provided training on mushroom cultivations in Rajasthan, Jharkhand and Bihar. Inputs and planting materials for horticulture crops, fruit tree are distributed to farmers of Maharashtra, Himachal Pradesh, Odisha, Jammu and Kashmir.
- 3.6 Minor Irrigation Projects are undertaken for enhancing land and water productivity through Integrated Farming system. Sprinkler irrigation system, micro irrigation and fertigation, lift Irrigation system, sprinkler and drip irrigation are introduced and demonstrated to tribal farmers in Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Odisha, Jharkhand, etc,.

# 3.7 Dairy & Poultry development:

Training on Scientific dairy farming practices for north eastern region, training on clean milk production, artificial insemination and veterinary first aid, awareness cum training on scientific AH practices are conducted for the tribal people of eastern region. Training in goat keeping, animal health camp and health inspection of animals is conducted.

Identified problems of cattle in tribal areas are less availability of green grass/fodder, negligible concentrate feeding and mineral supplementation, unhygienic feed and water, poor housing condition resulting in low production and poor health status of dairy cows and insufficient veterinary aids.

# 3.8 Fishery development:

Aquaculture technologies are provided to tribal fishing community of UP and Odisha wherein carp poly culture, carp seed rearing in seasonal/ small ponds, ornamental fish breeding/culture and integrated fish farming systems are introduced and demonstrated for their upliftment.

#### 3.9 Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries:

Integrated Dairy Development Project has been revised. An outlay of Rs.105 crore has been allocated for the year 2014-15 under revised scheme National Programme for Dairy development under NPBB&DD. It is a scheme for developing infrastructure from the grass root level by providing financial and technical assistance for dairy development with focus on cooperative dairies.

For artificial insemination and conservation of indigenous breeds, the outlay of Rs. 204 Crores is provided under National Programme for Bovine Breeding component of NPBB&DD. Under Dairy Entrepreneurship Development Scheme, individual beneficiary farmers are being supported through NABARD and for the STs, subsidy is provided at the rate of 33% of bankable project. Planning Commission has exempted the Department for allocation under TSP vide letter dated 15.12.2010.

#### 3.10 Department of Agriculture & Corporation:

The various schemes and their allocation for under TSP are discussed with focused interest on schemes related to sustainable agriculture and development of horticulture.

#### 4. Actionable/Desirable Points:

4.1 Currently, AICSMIP are implemented under TSP in the selected districts/region of states of Odisha, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Kerala and Karnataka. The possibility of extending districts under AICSMIP by the inclusion of districts of 5<sup>th</sup> Scheduled States to be taken into consideration. For this, priority will be given to low literacy districts of 5<sup>th</sup> Scheduled States. Out of 650 districts, 250 districts may be taken up under this project. (Action: DAC/DARE/SG Division, MoTA)

4.2 Millet cultivation has been at the back burner since long, more so because of green revolution and relatively low yield of millet crops. Millet expert in the concerned department may be called upon for a meeting.

Regarding the issues of minor millets and traditional horticulture crops that are fast disappearing, DARE to suggest steps to be taken and ways to stop disappearance of traditional crops. The matter to be taken up with Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and then informed to DARE.

(Action: CP&R Division, MoTA/DAC/DARE)

### 4.3 DARE to provide MoTA, information on:

- Research works done on and development of high yield varieties of minor millets
- Books on traditional horticulture corps.
- Traditional crops protected in various Institutes under DARE/Ministry of Agriculture. (Action: DARE/CP&R Division, MoTA)
- 4.4 After getting all necessary information, to disseminate to State TWDs, ITDPs/ITDAs and TRIs and MoTA to have consultation with Ministry of Agriculture-Director, DAC and Director, D/o Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries and TRIs will also be invited.

The points regarding minor millets and traditional horticulture crops will also be flagged in the forthcoming meeting with TRIs.

About health aspect, there is a Department of Health Research headed by DG cum Commissioner. They will convene a meeting of the tribals as desired by Secretary. MoTA to participate in the meeting and call TRIs also.

# (Action: D/o Health Research, MoHFW/ CP&R Division/SG Division, MoTA)

- The quality of inputs and planting materials distributed under the various Schemes of the Ministry needs to be ensured and demonstration be done with seeds that suited a particular region. There is a need to have convergence/concerted effort by the agency who actually supplies inputs/planting material to the States and the concerned Department dealing with research and technology. (Action: DAC/DARE)
- 4.6 In tribal/hilly areas, it is found that some of the traditional dairy animals are not suitable for development of different breeds through Artificial Insemination. DARE to provide information on cross breeding. (Action: DARE)
- **5.** All the Departments of Ministry of Agriculture and the Divisions of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs may initiate necessary action on the points above and inform within a fortnight.

The Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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# Annex - I

List of participants of the Coordination Committee Meeting to Monitor, Planning and Programme of the Schemes/programmes being implemented for overall development of Scheduled Tribes (STs) on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2014 at 10:30AM

S.No	Name and Designation	Ministry /Department
1.	Shri Hrusikesh Panda, Secretary	Ministry of Tribal Affairs Chairperson
2.	Shri Ashok, Joint Secretary	Ministry of Tribal Affairs Member
3.	Shri Manoj Kumar Pingua, Joint Secretary	Ministry of Tribal Affairs Member
4.	Ms. Vishu Maini, DDG	Ministry of Tribal Affairs
5.	Dr. T.Ravisankar GH LRUMG, RSAA	NRSC, Hyderabad
6.	Shri Vikram Desai Director, DECU	ISRO, Ahmedabad
7.	Shri Shantanu Bhatawdekar, Asst. Scientific Secretary	ISRO, Department of Space.
8.	Shri S.M. Sahai, Director	Ministry of Tribal Affairs
9.	Shri S. Sasmal, Director	Ministry of Tribal Affairs
10.	Shri S. Das, Director	Ministry of Tribal Affairs
11.	Ms. Shyla Titus, DS	Ministry of Tribal Affairs
12.	Ms. Nivedita, DS	Ministry of Tribal Affairs
13.	Shri Gopal Sadhwani, DS	Ministry of Tribal Affairs
14.	Shri Roopak Chaudhuri, DS	Ministry of Tribal Affairs
15.	Shri P.L. Verma, DS	Ministry of Tribal Affairs