Proceedings of State Level Executive Committee (SLEC) Meeting

Date: 20/09/2017 Time: 3 p.m. Place: Mayukh

State Level Executive Committee (SLEC) Meeting was convened on 20/09/2017 at 3 p.m. at Mayukh. Secretary, Department of FPI & Horticulture and Chairperson, SLEC, presided over the meeting.

The list of the members present in the meeting is enclosed.

The nodal officer, MIDH started presentation on agenda-wise item. After thorough deliberation the following decisions were taken:

- 1. All the projects presented in the meeting were approved by the members of SLEC. A summary of all approved projects is enclosed.
- 2. Henceforth, only the unit nos. of all the twelve-point (12) projects will be mentioned in the SLEC meeting. A declaration will be sought from the respective district officers that the projects are as per the extant norms of MIDH which will finally be vetted by the Mission Director, WBSHDS.
- 3. From the next meeting, the component-wise balance of above 12 points projects in different districts will be shown in a separate sheet to determine the requirement of fund for the new schemes to be approved.

It was reiterated that

- Unspent fund of previous year is revalidated on the authority of the communication from Govt. of India for the current year
- For a particular component, work order of candidates will be cancelled ii. who are unable to accomplish the work within six (6) months of issue of work order.
- Rejected candidates will have to apply a fresh for further allotment of iii. iv.
- Fund; if reserved for the candidates whose work order is rejected due to delayed response, will automatically be considered for the fresh candidates. Requirement of fund for district will only be based on the number of eligible candidates in hand.
- The list of rejected candidates should be sent to the Mission Director, WBSHDS after according approval of District Mission Committee.
- To maintain transparency, the list of approved and rejected candidates vi. will be uploaded on Dept. website www.wbfpih.gov.in
- Henceforth, all applications should mandatorily processed through vii. Hortnet and fund release should be updated to DBT portal.
- 4. It was found that more than Rs. 31 crore is lying unspent at the end of the district. The matter was taken seriously and district in-charges were advised to spend fund at the earliest.

- The issue of detailing of DEOs to the district/sub division offices was discussed. The proposal is being followed up with Finance Department.
- 6. Joint Secretary, Dept. of FPI & Horticulture instructed all concerned district officials to study the GP-wise Rabi Onion cultivation status and to reply to the Mission Director, WBSHDS regarding the status of production of onion in the GPs and also to encourage Self Help Groups for construction of onion storage.
- 7. Secretary, Dept of FPI&H and Chairperson also urged that Low cost onion storage may be built up by the unemployed youths in the onion production areas where farmers can store their produce (onion) during season on rent, which may be determined. During lean season, the stored onion may be released to ensure fair price and also to increase availability. The Dept. Of FPI&H will introduce regulations regarding time of withdrawal of onion in public interest. In such models, a top up subsidy to the tune of 25% of project cost may be considered, if feasible. Horticulturist in-charge, Hooghly, was instructed to start-up this project on pilot-basis at Balagarh block, which is renowned for *Rabi* onion production.
- 8. The condition of different farms and utilisation of infrastructure both in farms as well as in Technology Dissemination Centres were discussed. Mission Director, WBSHDS was requested to prepare an inventory of these infrastructure and report to the Joint Secretary at the earliest.
- Mission Director, WBSHDS was instructed to circulate this proceedings amongst all concerned and also to upload a copy to Dept. website www.wbfpih.gov.in

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to and from the chair.

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(Secretary, FPI&H and Chairperson, SLEC)