

MINUTES OF NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON AGRICULTURE FOR RABI CAMPAIGN - 2018-19

The National Conference on Agriculture for Rabi Campaign-2018-19 was held on 18th and 19th September, 2018 at NASC Complex, Pusa, New Delhi. The Conference was inaugurated by Shri Parshottam Rupala Hon'ble Minister of State, Agriculture and Farmers Welfare in the august presence of Smt. Krishna Raj, Hon'ble Ministers of State for Agriculture and Farmers Welfare. Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare chaired the conference. The Conference was attended by Agriculture Production Commissioners and Principal Secretaries/Secretaries/Directors of Agriculture, Horticulture and Agriculture Marketing from State/UT Governments, Senior Scientists from ICAR and Senior officers & officials from Ministries and States/UTs. List of participants are at **Annexure-I**.

2. Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare (DAC&FW) welcomed all participants and briefed them about the initiatives taken by the Ministry for achieving the goal of the government for doubling the income of farmers by the year, 2022. He desired that both Central and State Governments have to take concerted efforts to ensure higher income to the farmers as well as to take steps for reducing the cost of farming. He thanked the officials of the State Governments and farmers for achieving the target of highest ever level of production of foodgrains especially the record increase in the production of pulses which helped in reducing the import substantially. He impressed that our continued efforts for pulses production and the production of nutri-cereals & oil seeds should be emphasized and we should also explore the opportunities for export of sugar and cotton so that farmers could get better return.

He mentioned about recently approved 'Pradhan Mantri Annadata Aay Sanrakshan Abhiyan' by the Government which aimed at ensuring remunerative prices to the farmers for their produce. He desired that measures should be taken up for tackling bio-mass burning in states of Delhi, Punjab, Haryana and UP and further to bring rice fallow under pulses and oilseed production. He underlined the need to tackle/control Army worm. He also informed regarding launch of Krishi Kalyan Abhiyan phase-II from 2nd October, 2018. State Government representatives were also requested to send proposal for allocation of Rs. 5000 crore under micro irrigation and seriously follow up the matter so that benefits under Pradhan Mantri Fasal Beema Yojana should reach to the farmers. He lauded the efforts for increased horticulture production and urged the states to take up

their priority work under RKVY- RAFTAAR. He also requested the states to take up steps for production of millets in the National year of Millets celebrated.

3. In her address, Smt. Krishan Raj, Minister of State for Agriculture and Farmers Welfare appreciated the role of officials of the Central and State Governments in making the efforts for achieving the vision of the Hon'ble Prime Minister for 'Doubling the income of farmers by the year 2022'. She commended the efforts for achieving self sufficiency in pulses. She emphasized on use of biological and organic manure and impressed states to take benefits of the scheme viz. organic farming, tree on the bunds and Soil Health Card Scheme. Hon'ble MOS hoped that initiative taken for establishment of Gramin Haat/E-market would help in removal of involvement of middle man. She urged the states to make efforts for making farmers self dependent through involvement in animal husbandry, dairy and fisheries activities promoted by the Government. She emphasized to propagate new technologies and greater need for involvement of woman self help groups in agriculture and allied activities.

4. In his inaugural address, Hon'ble Minister of State for Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare, Shri Parsottam Rupala thanked the officers and officials of Central/State Governments and to the farmers for achieving record production of food grains. He lauded the initiatives taken by the Government for effectively implementing flagship schemes of Government on ground level for achieving the goal of doubling the income of farmers. He mentioned that Soil Health Card scheme and the Pradha Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana are receiving attention even at international fora. He impressed that besides increasing production, efforts need to be made to pass on the benefits to the farmers by fetching better prices by exporting their produce. He thanked the officials of the Ministry for the successful organization of Krishi Kalyan Abhiyan. He expressed hope for successful planning for rabi crops which is dependent on the irrigation facilities so that farmer should get increased income with increasing production of various rabi crops. He emphasized that state should make concerted efforts for production of honey and establish micro irrigation facilities. State should be prompt in giving benefits to farmers in case of natural calamity. He hoped that the deliberation and discussion with the officials of State Government would be a success.

5. On this occasion, three books namely, Pulses Production, Pulses in India- Retrospect and Prospect and Farmers Friendly Handbook- 2018-19 were released by Hon'ble Minister of State for Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Shri Parshottam Rupala.

6. Agriculture Commissioner made a detailed presentation on the Kharif 2018 and prospects for Rabi 2018-19. He explained in detail regarding repositioning of inputs for timely sowing and better harvesting of ensuing rabi crop.

7. Presentations were made by Joint Secretaries/other experts of this Department on schemes namely Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana-RAFTAAR, DBT in agriculture, E-National Agriculture Market/Rural Haats, Soil Health Card, Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana, Micro Irrigation, Pradhan Mantri Aannadata Aay Sanrakshan Abhiyan (PM-AASHA), MSP for nutria-cereals and Krishi Kalyan Abhiyan. After presentation the issues raised/clarification sought by representative of states were appropriately replied by the respective Joint Secretaries/officers.

8. To facilitate focused deliberations, following five focused Groups were constituted with the help of the States on pre-identified topics on the first day:

- I. Strategy for sustained production of Rabi Pulses in 2018-19 and increasing area coverage under oilseeds through inter-cropping expansion in non-traditional and rice fallow areas.
- II. Important agroforestry models including agronomics-experience cross sharing States, CAFRI (including All India Coordinated Research Project) and development of value chain under restructured National Bamboo Mission.
- III To develop & upgrade rural haats as GrAMs- road ahead and implementation of National Agricultural Market(E-NAM).
- IV. Role of FPOs in doubling of Farmers' Income.
- V. Certification, value chain development and marketing of organic products with special reference to Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY) and Mission Organic Value Chain Development for North Eastern Region (MOVCDNER) Schemes.

9. On the second day of the Campaign, recommendations of each of the 6 groups were presented in the plenary, presided by the Secretary (AC&FW). These recommendations were discussed in detail by the participants in the open house session. The group recommendations are detailed at **Annexure-II**.

10. The presentations made by Joint Secretary/other experts of this Department as well as presentations made by group leaders on identified five topics have been uploaded on the website of this Department www.agricoop.nic.in .

11. Secretary, AC&FW in his concluding remarks thanked the representatives of states Governments for their participation and suggestions given with seriousness. He desired that follow up action would be taken by the concerned divisional heads and they would also look into the changes needed in our schemes/interventions as per the request received from states. He impressed for our continued efforts for increase of production of pulses and oilseeds with the assistance of State Governments. He further suggested that agroforestry/bamboo plantation should be taken up for achieving the goal of doubling the income of farmers. Farmers Producers Organizations (FPOs) should be incentivized for realization of better price by farmers and policy level initiatives by concerned division need to be taken for the growth of farmers/entrepreneurs. State Government should take steps for the development of infrastructure for rural haats and further steps should be taken for brand building for organic farming. He stressed about setting up of laboratories at FPOs. He requested the states to take steps including provision for punishment for selling of inorganic produce as organic which is not viable. Future of organic farming is bright. He finally informed the house that Sikkim is going to win international prize for organic farming at Rome very soon.

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

**List of Participants in the National Conference on Agriculture
for Rabi Campaign-2018 held on 18th - 19th September, 2018
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Recommendations made by groups in the National Conference
on Agriculture for Rabi Campaign, 2018-19.

Group -1: Strategy for sustained production of Rabi Pulses in 2018-19 and increasing area coverage under oilseeds through inter-cropping expansion in non-traditional and rice fallow areas

- Relaxation of age of variety of seeds under pulses (upto 15 years) for cluster demonstration and seed distribution need to be considered.
- Community fencing provision under NFSM, BGREI and TRFA should be included to sustain spring/summer pulses/ oilseeds area.
- MSP should be declared before sowing of crops and timely procurement should be ensured under PSS.
- Umbrella MOU between SAUs and State Government should be entered to sustain the seed-hubs of oilseeds and pulses.
- Mass awareness of PM-AASHA Scheme should be given for remunerative prices to the farmer.
- Seeds of inter crops should also be supplied alongwith main crops under seed minikit programme of pulses and oilseeds.
- Policy decision for cultivation of lathyrus of low ODAP varieties, be communicated to all the States.
- TRFA Scheme be extended to MP, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Gujarat and Karnataka.
- Convergence of NRLM, MGNREGS with agriculture for development of ponds and common fencing should be explored.
- Seed availability of oilseeds and pulses need to be communicated by NSC to all the states before the start of every Kharif/Rabi season.
- Scope of area expansion through inter-cropping in UP, MP, Maharashtra and Chhatisgarh should be formulated.

Group-2: Important agroforestry models including agronomics-experience cross sharing States, CAFRI (including All India Coordinated Research Project) and development of value chain under restructured National Bamboo Mission

- Cost norms of SMAF should be enhanced and equated to existing agroforestry schemes in the states.
- Ratio of funding should be considered as 50:25:25 instead of 40:20:20:20.
- Synergies should be made between PMKSY and PDMC.
- There is a need for extension workers and demo plots for agroforestry development.
- There is need to involve KVK, ATMA, ICAR and research units of States in agroforestry.
- There is need to rationalize plantation categories.
- Coverage of agro forestry under PMFBY should be explored.
- Loan facilities should be provided for agroforestry development.

Group-3: To develop & upgrade rural haats as GrAMs- road ahead and implementation of National Agricultural Market(E-NAM).

- States may prioritize the aspirational districts and tribal districts first for identifying the rural Haats to develop into the GrAMs.
- DAC & FW may formulate comprehensive operational guidelines to include the issues relating the institutional arrangements, management of GrAMs, Levi of charges, etc.
- States should keep all types of GrAMs outside the ambit of APMC Regulation.
- Collection centers in Haryana & Punjab located in rural area & behaving as periodic markets be treated as Rural Haats for the purpose of development and up gradation under MGNREGS
- Farmer- consumer markets located in rural areas may also be considered as rural Haats for development and up gradation under MGNREGS

Group-4 : Role of FPOs in doubling of Farmers' Income.

- Build ownership & cooperative spirit of members through a systematic mobilization, training and convergence of resources should be taken up.
- Need to enable higher frequency of interactions among members by optimizing the cluster size of FPOs.

- FPOs should be engaged in multiple activities (inputs, product and services, etc..) to ensure regular incomes to members and increase interactions among members.
- There is need to reduce Market transaction costs by optimising market distance; thereby increase net income to producers/farmers.
- Sufficient provisions for systematic social capital formation along with adequate support for financial capital formation should be made.
- Convergence and Coordination among Ministries/Departments of Agriculture, Panchayati Raj and Rural Development (NRLM) should be explored.
- There is a need to develop a Comprehensive & Flexible FPO Policy

Group-5: Certification, value chain development and marketing of organic products with special reference to Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY) and Mission Organic Value Chain Development for North Eastern Region (MOVCDNER) Schemes

- State should focus on close cluster formulation and commodity wise clusters to ensure market surplus.
- NCOF/APEDA should emphasis on capacity building of clusters/RCs, service providers.
- NSC/SSC should focus on certified organic seed production.
- NAC of PKVY should consider to reduce the number of regional councils for quality services.
- ICAR should develop scientific validity of organic farming systems.
- MOVCDNER-NEDFI should engage local entrepreneurs for development of post harvest infrastructure.
- Emphasis may be laid down on building marketing linkages- RCs/ service providers.
- Detailed study should be made on organic farming.
- Publicity should be given for farmers, entrepreneurs and consumers.
- 20% higher MSP should be given for traditional products and minimum 10% of procurement for organic produce/products should be ensured.
- E-voucher or swipe card should be used for DBT to farmers/farmers groups in Sikkim.
- Arrangements for Geotagging of organic areas may be made in Arunachal Pradesh.
- Development of strong marketing linkages to FPOs – www.momamanipur.com- as in Manipur should be replicated in other States.
- Annual Action Plan should be submitted incomponent-wise.

- Regulations and procedures for the organic products were in NPOP & PGS standards should be followed.
- Under MOVCDNER, export should be promoted in South-east Asian market.
- Organic certified seeds regulation/Act is required.
- Fund allocation for setting up of pesticides residue testing laboratories in each district or at –least in major cities on PPP mode (50%) & should be included in NMSA Scheme through NABARD. (Assistance to State is 100%).
