

Minutes of the meeting on LODP-Direct implementation in Kerala -2018-19 held on 27.07.2018 at CDB, Kochi

A meeting was convened by Shri. Saradindu Das, Chief Coconut Development Officer in the Board room of CDB, Kochi on 27.07.2018 at 11.30 am to discuss on the pending selection of Coconut Producers Societies (CPSs) for direct implementation of 1st year LODP in Kerala during 2018-19. Shri. R Madhu, Secretary, Shri E. Aravazhi, Deputy Director (Dev), Shri, R Jnanadevan, Deputy Director (Dev) and Charge Officers for LODP implementation in different districts of Kerala attended the meeting. List of Officers attend the meeting is annexed.

Background

During the year 2018-19, 1150 ha is the tentative allocation for Direct implementation of LODP (1st year) scheme in Kerala. During the last financial year (2017-18), implementation of LODP scheme in 8 CPSs in one Federation (Sreenarayanapuram CPF) of Thrissur Dt was deferred after data entry, in view of complaint received from the CPF as well as CPC regarding the renewal of registration of CPF at the Board with only 8 CPSs. Marketing section had arranged a meeting of FPOs concerned on 30.05.2018, wherein it was agreed that a General Body meeting of all CPSs will be convened by the Chairman, Kodungallore CPC on 9th June 2018 so that all 25 CPSs comes under the CPF and details will be submitted to CDB after settling the issues for implementation of LODP schemes during 2018-19. As such approximately 500 ha had to be kept for considering this pending case. For the balance 650 hectares, selection of new FPOs had to be done.

During the year 2017-18 selection criteria was good performing federated CPSs having valid registration at CDB. Hence Marketing section selected CPFs with valid registration, then performance assessed based on their activities –Establishment of Coconut Nursery/Establishment of Copra Dryers / setting up of coconut kiosks and finally eliminated CPSs which had already availed inputs under Replanting and Rejuvenation or LODP scheme, so as to fit within the allocation.

During the year 2018-19 also, it was decided to follow the same selection criteria adopted during 2017-18 and Assistant Director, Marketing was requested to select CPSs for current year allocation. However the confirmation of the eligibility of CPSs under Sreenarayanapuram CPF for providing details of eligible CPSs and also selection of new CPSs for balance area is pending. Workshop/baseline survey has to be initiated immediately as the season for input application has already started.

During the meeting, following decisions are made:

- i) Decision on the proposal for direct implementation of Replanting & Rejuvenation in Kerala on pilot basis through CPCs during 2018-19 need not be clubbed with LODP Direct implementation.
- ii) However, rather than selection among federated CPSs, CPCs can be selected initially based on performance and from them CPF and CPss may be selected to meet the target allocated, based on the existing selection criteria.
- iii) The pending case of Sreenarayanapuram CPF of Thrissur District may be considered if the issue regarding the registration of CPF and its renewal is settled and necessary documents are submitted to the Marketing Division. Otherwise the CPF need not be considered for implementation of the scheme.
- iv) Assistant Director- Marketing has agreed to furnish the final list of selected CPSs for 1st year LODP implementation in Kerala during 2018-19 on the above lines by 31.07.2018.

The meeting concluded at 12.30 pm.


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Annexure

List of Officers attended the meeting held on 27.07.2018 at CDB, Kochi

1. Shri. Saradindu Das,CCDO
2. Shri. R Madhu, Secretary
3. Shri. E. Aravazhi, Deputy Director (Dev.)
4. Shri. R. Jnanadevan, Deputy Director (Dev.)
5. Shri K.S. Sebastian, Assistant Director (Mktg)
6. Shri. Vasanthakumar V C, Statistical Officer
7. Smt. Jayashree A, Development Officer
8. Smt. Leenamol MA, Market Promotion Officer
9. Smt. Preetha Kumari P.V, Statistical Investigator