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भारत सरकार,
कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय
कृषि, सहकारिता एवं किसान कल्याण विभाग
राष्ट्रीय वर्षा सिंचित क्षेत्र प्राधिकरण



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National Rainfed Area Authority (NRAA)

D.O.No.1-1/2018-SP

Dated, the 17th January, 2018

Dear Sir,

I am happy to share with you that the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare is organizing a National Conference under the title of "Agriculture, 2022 – New Initiatives" at National Agriculture Science Complex (NASC), Pusa, New Delhi. It is a two days conference scheduled on 19th and 20th February, 2018.

2. The purpose of the Conference is to engage people with varying experience and expertise from across the country with a view to soliciting their inputs, and harmonize them into an appropriate agriculture policy framework for the welfare of the farmers.

3. As many as seven broad themes have been identified for the Conference, and some of these could also have sub-themes (Annexure II). The participants comprising farmers, farmers' associations, scientists, economists, academics, trade and professional associations, policy makers and officers would be assigned to different themes and sub-themes, such that the issues are examined from multiple angles and comprehensive recommendations made.

4. We are happy to invite you to join this important Conference, and also share with you that the Hon'ble Prime Minister has kindly consented to grace the occasion on the second day. The theme leaders would have the privilege of making presentations to the Hon'ble Prime Minister.

5. This Ministry would be taking care of travel and stay arrangements in case of participants who need it, particularly, farmers, farmers' associations, NGOs and such others whose travel and logistics may not be taken care of by their own organizations. The travel expenses would be reimbursed-economy class by air or AC2 tier in case of rail. The accommodation would mostly be arranged at the guest house of NASC and IARI, Pusa, New Delhi.

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6. You are requested to see Annexure I for details of two days of engagements; and Annexure II for theme-wise participation. You may prepare yourself for the deliberations according to the theme assigned to you. We have nominated a senior officer as a facilitator for each of the themes, who will be coordinating with the theme leaders and participants. To make the deliberations more fruitful, the theme leaders have been requested to begin deliberations immediately on virtual platform – email, whatsapp, video-conference etc. It will help if the respective groups participate actively for the next one month, so that adequate ground is covered by 19th February, 2018.

7. For details, you can visit www.agricoop.gov.in and register yourself with all the necessary details. I would also urge you to share with us your brief bio-data along with photograph as we are planning to compile/publish a coffee table book on this occasion.

8. You are free to contact Mr. Kamal Arora, Under Secretary (Mob: 98109-44770, kamal.arora@nic.in) and Mr. Swarnendu Singha, Section Officer (Mob: 88262-06093, swarnendu.singha@nic.in) for any assistance/query.

Looking forward to your presence and participation in the Conference.

Warm regards,

Encl.: As above.

Yours sincerely,

Ashok Dalwai 17/01/2018

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To

All Esteemed Delegates / Invitees
(As per list)