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Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture & Cooperation
(Oilseeds Division)

Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi
Dated: 4th November, 2016

Subject:- Minutes of the 3rd meeting of the Executive Committee (EC) of National Mission on Oilseeds Mission on Oilseeds and Oil Palm (NMOOP) held on 25th October, 2016 at Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.

The undersigned is directed to forward a copy of the Minutes of the Executive Committee (EC) of National Mission on Oilseeds and Oil Palm held on 25th October, 2016 under the Chairmanship of the Hon'ble Union Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare at Acharya Jagdish Chandra Bose Hall, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi for information and necessary action.

It is requested that the Action Taken Report may kindly be furnished to the undersigned for placing the same before the next EC Meeting.

Encl. As above


(M.N.Sukumaran)
Director (OS)

Distribution:-

1. PPS to Hon'ble Union Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare.
2. PPS to Hon'ble MoS for A & FW (PR)
3. PPS to Hon'ble MoS for A & FW (SSA)
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D. Distribution other than participants:-

1. Joint Secretary, Ministry of Tribal Affairs (looking after TBOs)
2. Joint Secretary (Seeds), DAC, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. Joint Secretary (NMSA), DAC, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
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8. Pr. Secretary Agriculture, Government of A.P., M.P., Karnataka and Rajasthan.

Minutes of the 3rd Meeting of the Executive Committee of National Mission on Oilseeds and Oil Palm (NMOOP) held on 25th October, 2016 at Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi

The 3rd Meeting of the Executive Committee (EC) of National Mission on Oilseeds and Oil Palm (NMOOP), the apex policy making body for providing directive, guidance to the Mission was held under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Union Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare on 25th October, 2016 at Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi. Minister of State for Agriculture and Farmers Welfare (PR) was also present in the meeting as special invitee. The list of participants is **annexed**.

At the outset the Agriculture Commissioner welcomed the Union Minister of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare, Minister of State for Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare, Secretary (AC&FW) and Additional Secretary (AS&FA) for their participation. He also welcomed the members of the EC from various Department/Ministry and other invitees from the states/organizations.

In his opening remarks, AM expressed his concern about the falling price of groundnut and soybean in some states and desired that the Department should take up the matter with the states for initiating procurement of these crops at MSP for the benefit of farmers. He further desired that states should utilize the funds in time and avail the maximum central share to ensure effective implementation of the Mission. The MoS (A) desired that the current price at different mandis in the country are not favourable to the farmers which may discourage the oilseeds growers in the long run. He desired a more proactive approach from the concerned agencies involved in procurement of commodities. The Secretary (AC&FW) pointed out that the availability of cheaper imported vegetable oils, largely palm oil with permission for blending is resulting in low price to the oilseeds growers. Moreover oilseeds are competing with pulses as similar niche and agro-climatic conditions are required by both.

Joint Secretary (Oilseeds) made a presentation and briefly highlighted the oilseeds scenario in the country. He pointed out that there is a huge gap between the domestic availability (9.5 million tonnes) and demand (24 million tones) of edible oils in the country which is being met through import (more than 14 million tonnes) costing the exchequer about Rs. 68,000 crores during 2014-15. The current production of oilseeds is about 26.68 million tonnes from which about 6.33 million tonnes of oil is derived from primary sources and 3.25 million tonnes from the

secondary sources. Thereafter the agenda items were put up before the committee for consideration.

Agenda Item 1: Approval/adoption of minutes of second meeting of EC

The minutes of the 2nd EC meeting held on 26th August, 2015 were approved.

Agenda Item 2: Review of follow-up action on second meeting of EC

- 2.1. Modalities for ensuring the supply of quality seeds to the farmers
- 2.2. Revision of rate of assistance on supply of water carrying pipes
- 2.3. Change of funding pattern and release of funds through State Notified Agencies
- 2.4. Age relaxation of varieties of oilseeds upto 15 years
- 2.5. Additional minikits of JD-6 (Pusa Mahak) of mustard to Assam and K-6 variety of groundnut to Tamil Nadu
- 2.6. Establishment of seed gardens

The follow-up action on the above points were noted by the committee. The Chairman desired that the central and state seed production agencies should further enhance their efforts to produce quality seed for the benefit of oilseeds growers by taking advantage of the provisions under the scheme.

Agenda Item 3: Review of progress of implementation of NMOOP during 2015-16

3.1 Mini mission-wise key interventions- Noted

It was desired that the components wherever shortfall exists as compared to that of the previous year, necessary corrective measures may be taken.

3.2. National events- Noted

It was desired that National Kisan Melas may be organized on rapeseed-mustard, castor and rabi groundnut in states having major area/production under these crops. Where ever possible Hon'ble AM/MOS participation can be explored.

- 3.3. Progress of implementation through video conference, NMLT and field visits to states- **Noted**
- 3.4. Area coverage and production during 2015-16 – **Noted**
- 3.5. Budget estimate and release of funds - **Noted**

Agenda Item 4: Status of implementation of NMOOP during 2016-17

The committee desired that the implementing states must make all possible efforts for utilization of the allocated funds by sharing matching grants and submit utilization certificates in time for availing the next installment of funds. Central agencies should be mobilized for enhancing their seed production, distribution including seed minikits programme to facilitate oilseeds farmers. The progress of implementation by various agencies including KVKs should be uploaded in the portal so as to make it available to all stake holders.

Agenda item 5: Ratification of the decisions taken on file

- 5.1. Enhancement of subsidy norms for supply of certified seeds - **Ratified.**
- 5.2. Enhancement of subsidy on supply of water carrying pipes- **Ratified.**
- 5.3. Inclusion of seed nursery of TBOs- **Ratified.**
- 5.4. Age relaxation of oilseeds varieties- **Ratified.**
- 5.5. Involvement of National Fertilizer Ltd. (NFL) in seed production and distribution- **Ratified.**

The committee desired that inclusion of NFL through HIL for seed production may be further examined after critically reviewing their technical expertise and infrastructure facilities.

Agenda item 6: Other initiatives/decisions taken

- 6.1 Possibilities of oil palm cultivation in Bodoland- **Noted**
- 6.2. Proposal for procurement of FFBs under MIS- **Noted**

The matter may be actively pursued by the Oilseeds Division with Cooperation Division.

6.3 Assessment of performance of indigenous and imported seedlings

The matter may be taken up with Directorate of E&S for expediting the completion of the study report and submission of the same.

6.4 Measures to increase Oil Palm area and production in India

The CCEA note should be submitted immediately after incorporating the comments received from various Ministries/ Departments.

6.5 Visit of an Indian Delegation to Malaysia

The committee desired that the findings of such exposure visits may be presented at an appropriate forum to assess the usefulness and proper follow-up of the findings.

6.6 Integration of Tree Borne Oilseeds (TBOs) programme with Agro-forestry Mission-Noted

The matter may be pursued with Rainfed Farming System (RFS) Division, DAC&FW.

Agenda Item 7: Area coverage and crop prospect of oilseeds during Kharif-2016, Noted

Agenda Item 8: Presentation by the states on crop prospects and implementation of NMOOP

Andhra Pradesh:

In the state, four districts are important in terms of oilseeds production of which groundnut has the maximum share. Anantapuram district alone produces 80% of groundnut, however, low and uneven rainfall causes fluctuation in production. Protective irrigation through supply of rain guns during kharif 2016 has proved highly successful in drought affected areas. The end season drought may impact the yields in June sown groundnut as compared to July sown groundnut. About 3.00 lakh qtl of groundnut seed

has been produced on farmers' fields through involvement of NGOs. The ruling market price (Rs. 3500 to 4000 per qtl) of groundnut below MSP is a cause of concern.

Karnataka:

The area under oilseeds has come down in recent years due to erratic rainfall. Convergence of NMOOP with State schemes like Bhagyasri Yojana and Bhoo Chetna has been made to improve implementation efficiency. About 10.0 lakh ha area has been covered under oilseeds as against target of 12.0 lakh ha. The yields of groundnut and soybean are expected to be lower due to low rainfall during kharif 2016. Seed treatment campaigns have been undertaken and bio-fertilizer units have been established along with IPM schedule at district level. The state has about 10,400 ha area under oil palm.

Madhya Pradesh:

About 54.01 lakh ha area has been covered under soybean during kharif 2016, which is about 5.00 lakh ha less than that of the previous year mainly due to prevalence of yellow mosaic disease during kharif 2015. But the productivity is expected to be higher (11.7 qtl. per ha) as compared to 7.53 qtl. per ha during kharif 2015. The state has made efforts to improve Seed Replacement Rate (SRR), which is about 29.3% in soybean. The prospects of rapeseed-mustard in rabi is quite encouraging. The state has initiated efforts to divert areas from upland rice to oilseeds utilization of fallow lands and intercropping of oilseeds with pulses. The state requested for uniformity of financial assistance under micro-irrigation in various central schemes.

In the concluding remarks, the Chairman desired that the import burden may be reduced by augmenting domestic availability of edible oils. He also desired that to protect the interest of oilseeds farmers, a Development Corpus Fund may be created at the District Collector/Magistrate level for strategic intervention for procurement of produce when the market price falls below the MSP. The efforts may be initiated in high oilseeds producing districts with similar funding pattern as that of the Mission. The states should initiate appropriate action in this regard immediately by taking advantage of provisions made under Price Support Scheme (PSS).

Action points:

- The implementing states should make all possible efforts for utilization of allocated funds by sharing matching grants and submit utilization certificates in time for availing next installment of funds.

Action: All State Agriculture/Horticulture Departments

- Central and State Seed Agencies should be mobilized for enhancing seed production, distribution including seed minikits programme.

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- The progress of implementation of cluster front line demonstrations implemented by KVKs through ICAR-ATARIs should be uploaded in the website of NFSM and NMOOP.

Action: Extension Division of ICAR/DAC&FW

- The inclusion of National Fertilizer Limited in seed production programme through HIL may be critically analyzed for their relevant technical expertise and infrastructure facility.

Action: OS Div, DAC&FW

- Tree Borne Oilseeds programme may be integrated with Sub-Mission on Agro-forestry of RFS Division.

Action: OS Div, DAC&FW

- Central and State Procurement Agencies should be mobilized to ensure procurement of produce particularly groundnut and soybean at MSP. A Development Corpus Fund should be created at the District Collector level for strategic intervention for procurement of produce when the market price falls below the MSP under Price Support Scheme of DAC&FW.

Action: State Deptt. of Agri. /Central & State Procurement Agencies and DAC&FW

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

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Annexure

**List of participants of 3rd Meeting of Executive Committee (EC) of NMOOP held under the
Chairmanship of Hon'ble Union Minister of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare
on 25th October, 2016 at Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi**

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Chairman
2. Shri Parshottam Rupala, Minister of State for Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare:
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