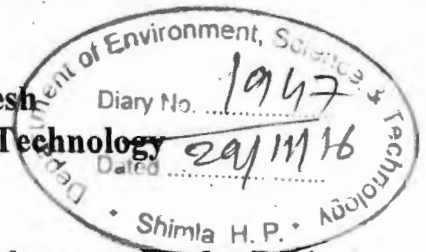


Government of Himachal Pradesh
Department of Environment, Science & Technology



Minutes of Meeting held to work out roadmap for implementation for Project on "Sustainable Livelihood of Agriculture Dependent Rural Communities in Drought Prone District of Himachal Pradesh through Climate Smart Solutions under National Adaptation Fund for Climate Change" held under the Chairmanship of Shri Tarun Kapoor, IAS, Pr. Secretary (Env., S&T) on 19th November, 2016 at 12:00 Noon.

In order to workout implementation strategy, institutional arrangements and to launch the project at field level, and to achieve the objectives of the project; a Meeting was held under the Chairmanship of Shri Tarun Kapoor, IAS Pr. Secretary (Env., S&T) to the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh in the Conference Room of the Planning Department in HP Secretariat on 19th November, 2016.

Following were present:

1. Sh. A.K. Lal, Director, Deptt. of Environment, Sci. & Tech, HP.
2. Dr. S.K. Kapta, Spl. Secretary (Env., S&T) to the GoHP.
3. Dr. Suresh C. Attri, PSO (Env.), DEST, Shimla.
4. Sh. Lokinder Kanwar, Fin. Expert, SLADRC Project.
5. Sh. Duni Chand Thakur, MIS Officer, DEST, HP.
6. Sh. Nishant Gupta, Env., S&T Branch, HP Secretariat.

At the outset, Sh. A.K. Lal, Director (Env., S&T) extended warm welcome to the Pr. Secretary (Env., S&T). He gave the brief introduction of the project with a background of the conception of project idea posed under National Adaptation Fund for Climate Change, objectives of the project and its future plan of action as listed in the approved Project Document.

It was informed by him that the funds for the programme are being routed through National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) as, NABARD is a National Implementing Agency (NIA) as per the Implementation guidelines for NAFCC to Executing Agency (EA) i.e. Department of Environment, Science & Technology, H.P. and shall be passed on to the Stakeholder Departments i.e. Agriculture, Horticulture & IPH in the Developmental Blocks of District Sirmaur, Himachal Pradesh as per provisions made in the approved project document.

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The Principal Sci. Officer (Env.) Mr. Suresh Attri gave a detailed presentation covering all aspects viz. component wise targets, financial allocation, sector wise activities etc. to be carried out by the stakeholder departments with indicative out comes from the implementation of said Project. He also highlighted the background of the request for proposal (RFP) submitted for consideration of Administrative Department.

The Principal Secretary (Env., Sci. & Tech.) after taking presentation observed that the proposed Project is of great significance in the present context of climate change and that it is a special project which needs specialized approach to compute the adaptation techniques, benefits and processes till the end. He observed specifically that it may not be feasible in given arrangement to hire a third party –consultant for implementation of complete project, it would however be in fitness of things that rather than hiring a consultant as Expert Agency we may workout implementation strategy in a manner that saves time, resources and at the same time gives good result at the field level.

The Chairman further added that initially the complete database and Base Line information of ongoing activities needs to be compiled for selected blocks i.e. Sangrah, Pachhad and Paonta of the District Sirmour and therefore, the process for completing the **first component C-1** as per project document is of utmost importance to initiate the project in a time bound manner.

The Chairman also directed that the DEST should develop similar concept notes/ proposals for seeking funding under NAF/ GCF for other districts at least four districts to have a demonstrative effect in the State.

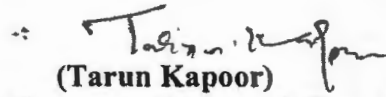
After detailed discussions following decisions were taken:

1. The DEST will engage consultant to undertake activities w.r.t. **Component No. C-1** Drought Related Vulnerability Assessment at district level and **Component No. 4.3** in accordance with the components and activities listed in the approved DPR with clear Terms of Reference and complete the process by 31st December, 2016.
2. The DEST will convene a meeting at Nahan under the Chairmanship of the Pr. Secretary (Env., S&T) to the GoHP in the month of December, 2016 for better coordination among all the stakeholder departments and District administration to work out the roadmap to plan and initiate the activities.
3. The DEST will engage one Expert as Training Coordinator through advertisement in order to implement components such as Training Module development on Climate Smart Approaches that DEST would also be responsible to carry out activities of capacity building of community on climate smart knowledge base and lesson learning.
4. The DEST will work out list of activities and institutional support that could be provided by the Mid Himalayan Watershed Development Project Unit of District Sirmour for the project and further take up the matter with competent

authority to initiate activities within 10 days. The implementation of several components can be done through Mid Himalyan Project.

5. The DEST will explore and engage the Expertise from Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Dhaula Kuan, Sirmour and other relevant institutions in the field for assisting in training & capacity building and finalise the blueprint for the Capacity Building under the project by 31st December, 2016.
6. The DEST will develop similar project proposals/ concept notes for seeking funding under NAF/ GCF for other districts of the State as well.
7. The components relating to IPH department can be directly implemented by them. There is a provision of Rs.66175243/- for water harvesting structures. Matter be taken up with IPH department as they may already have some identified locations.
8. The consultant be hired at the earliest so that planning work can be completed so as to start implementation immediately. If the consultant is put in place by Dec., end and he can give interim report by 15th Feb., some work can be executed in this financial year.
9. The capacity building part may be looked after by the Directorate. For this tie up and team building be done and some programmes planned within this year.

The Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.



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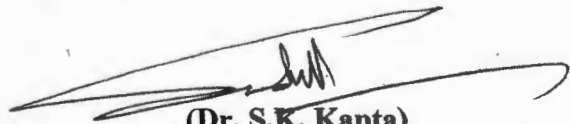
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5. The Engineer-in-Chief, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-1
6. The Deputy Commissioner, District Sirmour, Nahan, Himachal Pradesh
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