

**Minutes of Review Meeting held in State of Madhya Pradesh with State Government
and Resource Institutions (RIs) on 25th October, 2017**

A Review Meeting was held under the Chairmanship of MD, SFAC, to review the performance of Resource Institutions in the state of Madhya Pradesh on 25th October 2017. The meeting was attended by various Resource Institution and their representatives (List Annexed).

Minutes of Meeting:

The points which are discussed in the review meeting:

1. The meeting was started with the introduction of Resource Institutions; representatives from State Government were not present during the meeting. After that MD, SFAC welcomed all the participants and broadly explained the objectives of the review meeting. He said that the performance of M.P. based FPOs is far from being satisfactory and certainly needs much to be desired in overall terms including targets and timelines. Poor performance of the M.P. based FPOs have led to problems owing to which State Government support has stopped.
2. The point wise Agenda for the meeting were discussed as below:

a) Reporting Structure:

It was observed that the reporting structure is not adequate as desired; MD directed to all the RIs that progress report should be sent on monthly basis. A format would be circulated for this purpose immediately.

b) Action Plan for RIs:

An Action plan for 6 months from 1st April to 30th September 2017, were sent to all RIs, but the progress report of the same from RIs is not received by SFAC. All the RIs were directed to submit the action plan for the period of April-September at the earliest.

c) Mobilization/ Registration of the Farmers:

- All the RIs present in the meeting, have explained the present status of the mobilization and registration of the farmers as against the target given to them. It was observed that the most of RIs have not mobilised the farmers as per their target.
- M/s ISAP informed that all the FPOs have been registered. However, it was noted that the farmers mobilization in the FPOs were far beyond the desired number. MD, SFAC expressed his displeasure over the performance of ISAP and directed them to improve the status of farmers mobilization in their FPOs.
- M/s Agha Khan Rural Support Programme informed that they have registered 2 FPOs and the one pending will be accomplished by 2nd week of November.
- It was found that many of the RIs had accomplished the registration however; in absence of communication to SFAC same was not updated. MD, SFAC, highlighted the gaps in information sharing between RIs and SFAC and directed all the RIs to improve the reporting structure. He also directed all the RIs to submit monthly reports apart from Action Plan.

d) Share Capital Mobilization:

- All the RIs of M.P. briefed the details of share capital mobilised which was largely insignificant. The overall performance in terms of share capital mobilisation is far from desired level, as the FPOs do not have an adequate amount of share capital to start a business, also the set targets have not been met by the RIs.
- MD, SFAC directed to all the RIs to improve and increase the share money of the FPOs at a certain level so as to get equity grant and to take business activities for sustainability of the FPOs. Some of the FPOs have met their target for mobilization of farmers and they have applied for equity grant.
- M/s Indian Gramin Society informed that they will improve share capital mobilization in next 3 months. M/s Gramin Vikas Trust assured to improve the mobilisation by December 2017, whereas Access Development Services assured that share capital of the FPOs will be improved by the end of November, 2107.
- M/s AKRSP assured that they will apply for the Equity Grant by 2nd week of November, 2017. M/s NIWCYD informed that it will apply for the Equity Grant by December 2017. M/s ASA will also apply for the EG by 7 of December 2017. M/s Gramin Vikas Trust will apply Equity Grant for their 4 FPOs by 30 November 2017.

e) Market Linkages:

- ASA and AKRSP elaborated upon the marketing tie-ups and linkages for their respective FPOs with seed companies, millers, processors and some private players.
 - Few FPOs have started their business activities of seed production & output business to public sector undertaking, state level agencies, millers and exporters/producers etc.
3. RIs have discussed the practical problems and bottlenecks faced during the mobilisation of the farmers and during sale/purchase of the inputs.

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