

Minutes of the Farm Livelihoods progress review and planning for FY 2017-18 meeting held at NIRD & PR, Hyderabad from 17th to 20th May, 2017

Farm Livelihoods progress review of FY 2016-17 and planning for FY 2017-18 meeting was held at NIRD & PR, Hyderabad from 17th to 20th May, 2017.

Representatives of the SRLMs and few MKSP Project Implementing Agencies (PIAs) attended the meeting. The review meeting focused the review of farm livelihoods progress under SRLM AAP, MKSP AAP, MKSP and Value chain projects under World Bank special fund project of the respective States. SRLMs presented respective livelihoods roll out plan under SRLM AAP for 17-18. Session on DAY-NRLM Farm Livelihoods Operational Manual took place and MIS was one of the most important topic in the review meeting.

Farm Livelihoods Outreach under SRLM AAP in 2016-17 (presented by SRLM):

SRLMs presented respective outreach of farm LH under SRLM AAP in FY 16-17. Compilation of data presented by SRLM follows:

	States	Number of District	Number of Block	Number of Village	Number of Household	No. of HH adopted SA
1	Assam	14	88	6642	222532	27319
2	Bihar	25	256	2673	271903	215000
3	CG	11	20	250	41478	41478
4	Gujarat	33	45		76626	19156
5	Haryana	4	4	72	2447	2447
6	Maharashtra	14	50	2485	73899	55465
7	MP	33	195	6683	311000	186600
8	Odisha	24	91	4900	264000	
10	TamilNadu	4	4	122	6100	3660
11	UP	15	16	756	9200	5800
		177	769	24583	1279185	556925

SRLM representatives presented the outreach and progress of the MKSP projects in the state. It covered both MKSP AAP by the SRLM as well as the MKSP by PIA (NGOs).

Farm Livelihoods Outreach under MKSP in 2016-17 (presented by SRLM) of the SRLMs present in the meeting:

Sl. No	State	Number of Projects	Districts		Blocks		Mahila Kisans				CRPs + PRPs	
			T	A	T	A	T	A	T	A	T	A
1	Assam	2	12	7	19	14	390	140	26500	14549	796	335
2	AP	14	15	15	423	427	8652	9699	1069400	1301107	1525	1860
3	Bihar	2	13	13	21	21	1064	836	125661	135012	1503	1646
4	Chhattisgarh	3	12	5	19	8	675	104	66255	4715	1300	123
5	Gujarat	2	5	3	9	7	392	273	29320	22320	540	374
6	Haryana	1	4	4	4	4	153	72	6800	2447	200	88
7	HP	1	1	1	2	2	130	130	2500	2510	26	27
8	Jharkhand	12	41	27	84	46	2458	1127	136068	56065	2742	1629
9	Kerala	4	30	17	317	197	2138	1432	227500	329760	14760	10249
10	Maharashtra	2	22	16	153	53	5372	1892	222316	65383	4579	1159
11	MP	5	12	12	17	17	629	702	40000	37857	1465	1050
12	Odisha	9	27	19	55	34	1696	819	52324	38601	1126	751
13	Rajasthan	2	20	7	37	19	1364	460	80340	26641	2778	950
14	Tamil Nadu	1	3	3	10	8	166	123	16800	13800	332	246
15	Telangana	10	12	10	312	296	5702	5791	790158	1093120	920	628
16	UP	1	25	12	25	15	1250	230	87500	14181	1250	319
	Total	71	254	171	1507	688	32231	23830	297944	315806	3584	21434

Few major points of discussions follows:

1. Livelihoods perspective building of the SHG members is required.
2. Few main outputs of the awareness creation by generic CRPs should be increase in CIF offtake and regular loan repayment.
3. ASRLM requires session on generic LH for SRLM staffs.

4. GLPC already have a VRP structure so they can drive component 1 activities through VRP drive.
5. Rajasthan SRLM has initiated livelihoods VO sub-committee formation and training by Block level staffs.
6. Maharashtra has brought all CMSA household under MKSP AAP.
7. Odisha need to take TSA for medicinal plant project urgently.
8. For Tasar project Odisha has floated ToR. TSA will be on board soon.
9. GLPC is yet to ground MKSP AAP and must initiate immediately.
10. Fund release of two PIAs (Deepak Foundation and Shroff Foundation) is under process for long time.
11. CGSRLM is yet to deploy staff for MKSP and soon they will be deployed in the restective Blocks.
12. CG: 24,000 households have been planned to be covered in Kharaif intervention. Livelihoods CRPs form all the livelihood programs will be positioned in the respective areas for implementation.
13. CG: Baseline survey of the MKSP AAP have been rolled out.
14. UP: HR are yet to be on board for the MKSP AAP of UP. Hiring will be done through hiring agency but agency is yet to be on board.
15. Rajasthan: AAP yet to be rooled out. 34 thousand household have been planned for Kharif intervention this year.
16. Rajasthan: HR yet to be on board at State level.
17. Assam: MKSP AAP yet to be grounded. Kharaif plan have not been prepared though the proposal has been approved last year. HR recruitment has not been approved by EC. Only TSA will be taken on board for implementation of MKSP AAP.
18. Kerala: Fund release for MKSP AAP (value chain) is still pending.

CSB:

19. All SRLMs must visit and review respective tasar field of CSB project. SRLM must share review report to NMMU on Tsar Project.
20. Rutag should be taken on board for tasar value chain interventions.
21. Almost all tasar project covered household have livestock, Pashu Sakhi Model must be incorporate in the project by CSB, TDF. Weighing scale may be one small intervention at VO level to initiate livestock intervention.
22. Good quality videos must be prepared for Tasar intervention works. Video should be on best practices, training etc. Digital Green may be taken on board for the video preparation.

23. Business model for tasar CRPs need to be rolled out. Payment system by community for the services by CRPs must be rolled out.
24. To ensure quality of tasar CRPs, test may be conducted and gradation of CRP is required at this stage of the project.
25. Maharashtra: HR must be deployed for the value chain project. Dedicated staff with relevant qualification and experience must be taken.

Value chain Projects:

26. Human resources with relevant experience must be recruited at the State, block and Producer Company level.
27. The States should take on board a technical support agency on board for implementation of value chain projects.
28. Detailed commodity-wise business plans and market study should be conducted for all the value chain projects. The financial viability and the break-even for the projects must be analyzed. Market linkages should be identified and established for each commodity.
29. The SRLMs may look at multi-commodities to ensure year-round operations of the producer companies.
30. The SRLMs may look at value addition for the commodities instead of only aggregation and trading.
31. Odisha, Jharkhand and Maharashtra have to submit the DPRs for the value chain projects sanctioned under special fund. The DPR must include the business plan and market analysis.
32. The States where special fund projects have been sanctioned must expedite the process of formation of producers' companies.
33. All applicable tax, mandi tax etc must be taken care of from the first day to avoid any legal complexity. All government rules must be followed from the first day of VC projects. All financial rules must be followed. SRLM staffs must explore, understand and take support of experts if required for legal and financial issues.
34. It was discussed that the implementation of the value chain projects may be done through the Producers' Enterprises, which are registered entities.
35. The producers' companies that will be formed may adopt Tally or any suitable IT solution for maintaining accounts, transactions, procurement, sales and inventory.
36. Uttar Pradesh, MP, Rajasthan and Himachal Pradesh may look at developing value chain proposals.

Presentation by NCDEX

1. The representative from NCDEX gave a detailed presentation on the salient features and the processes of commodity trading.

Presentation by NDDDB Dairy Services

1. The representatives from NDDDB Dairy services presented the model for development of dairy value chain through setting up milk producer companies.
2. The process of identification of first subscribers has been completed. The board members are being selected and the process of registration of the two producers' companies have been started in Madhya Pradesh.
3. Chhattisgarh, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh may look at developing proposals for dairy value chain development.

MIS (mksp.gov.in)

1. A detailed presentation was made on the modules of the Livelihoods MIS.
2. All the States must enter the CRP details, Mahila Kisan profile, producers' group details for all projects under Livelihoods.
3. The SRLMs must co-ordinate with the PIAs to ensure completion of Mahila Kisan and CRP profile entry in the Livelihoods MIS.

Suggestion by SRLMs on DAY-NRLM Farm Livelihoods Operational Manual:

A session was on DAY-NRLM Farm Livelihoods Operational Manual where all participants put their input. The compilation of input follows.

Livelihoods Operating Manual: Things to be covered

- Executive summary to the entire document
- Incorporate – why this manual is required
- Component 1, 2,3 should have roll-out strategy
- What is Farm Livelihoods interventions and for whom (include example of livelihoods activities– maximum 3-4 pages)

Livelihoods Framework

- Rationale behind this intervention and components of framework
- Component 1 – Present context, why do need generic livelihoods CRP, why generic livelihoods CRP and when will they join, role of staff and CRP (training architecture), how will be funded (ICCB funding window)
- Component 2 – Objective of this intervention (productivity enhancement), building the extension and training architecture, how this training is required
- Non-negotiables should be given before generic livelihoods (no individual assets should be given)

LH Roll-out Strategy

- Phasing (minimum 6 months of IBCB work) - indicators for entry with farm LH intervention should be mentioned
- Process – sit with VO members to understand livelihoods profiling, refer the MCP

Convergence and Livelihoods

Include best practices on convergence (Case studies)

Funding

- Sources of Funds
- Grant vs loan

Training and Capacity Building Architecture

- Minimum criteria of CRP, number of training days needed (put the module chapters at annex)
- Staff, SRP and CRP training
- Livelihoods training manager with some technical understanding of one domain should be placed in the State Team, will report to SPM – Livelihoods

Review and Monitoring

- State, District, Block and CBO level
- Indicators of Review (Physical progress and financial progress)
- Review should be documented and summary should be shared with NMMU

DAY-NRLM Farm Livelihoods Operational Manual Chapters:

Chapter: Introduction and Background:

- *Executive Summary of Operational Manual*
- *Universalization of Farm Livelihoods- Introduction*
- *Non Negotiables*

Chapter: DAY-NRLM Livelihood Intervention Framework:

- *Brief description and objective of 3 components*
 - *Rationale for the farm livelihoods framework*
 - *Components of framework*

- *Component 1: Knowledge creation and awareness on livelihoods (Level, timing)*
 - *Generic livelihoods CRP roll out protocol*
 - *VO livelihoods sub-committee – formation, training, roles and responsibility, accountability*
- *Component 2: Sectoral interventions (including reference MKSP AAP/ SRLM AAP proposal template in annexure)*
(Objective, Sectors, interventions)
- *Component 3: Aggregation and value chain interventions*
 - *(including reference MKSP AAP value chain proposal template in annexure)*
 - *PG/PC Guideline (annexure)*
 - *Model by laws (annexure)*

Chapter- : Implementation Protocol for Component 1

Component 1: Chapter

Component 2: Chapter

Component 3: Chapter

- *Livelihoods initiation and expansion- Area selection protocol (Blocks, GPs selection approach), HH selection protocol*
- *CRP roll out (generic and sub-sectoral)*

Roll out strategy:

- *Village livelihood profiling - process, information to capture, formats, interpretation of the data, identification of households*
 - *Sources of data (NRLM MIS, SECC, sector studies,), how to use it*
- *Household level planning- process and formats*
- *Role of generic LH CRP and sub-sectoral CRP in planning and implementation*
- *Livelihoods intervention with supported from Micro credit plan*
- *Formats in annexure*

Chapter- Convergence and livelihoods:

- *Background and Introduction*
- *Scope of convergence*
- *Best practices (Jharkhand, Odisha, UP, Bihar etc) to put as Annexe.*
- *Relevant letters/orders (annexure)*

Chapter- Funds for livelihoods

- *Preparation of funding plan for farm livelihoods interventions. (critical activities / head)*
- *Funding sources of various activities*
- *Protocol for different funds for value chain development.*
- *Community Procurement*

Key Interventions:

- *Custom Hiring Center**
- *Farmer field school protocol*
- *Pashu Pathshala protocol*
- *Field day protocol*
- *NPM shop protocol*

Chapter- Training & Capacity Building:

1. *Training & CB architecture*
 - a. *Resource Pool*
 - b. *Training plan*
 - c. *Training calendar*
 - d. *Training Period (minimum)*
2. *Staff training*
3. *Community Resource Person Training*
4. *Training at Community institution level*

Chapter- Human Resource Protocol (advisories)

Chapter : Guidelines for livelihoods Community Resource Persons:

- *Nomenclature, definition of different CRPs*
- *Guidelines for Generic livelihoods CRP*
- *Guidelines for Agriculture CRP (Krishi Mitra)*
- *Guidelines for Pashu Sakhi/Prani Mitra*
- *Guidelines for Udyog Mitra*
- *Guidelines for Vana Mitra*
- *Modules at Annexure*

Chapter- MIS, Monitoring and Evaluation

- *Review mechanism at State, District, Block & CBO (finance, program, planning, and implementation), and documentation of minutes of review.*
- *Reporting*
- *Evaluations, studies*
- *MIS*

- *Data entry*
- *Use of MIS*
- *Role of CRP for capturing of MIS & use of it*

Annexure:

- *Livelihoods Advisory*
- *Formats*

Feedback form the participants:

1. Quarterly review and feedback is required.
2. Location may be changed every time. In rotation, other states may host the review and planning meeting and workshop. And it should include field visit.
3. Review may focus more in market related issues.
4. Best practices may be shared.

List of Annexure

Annexure A: List of Participants

Annexure B: SRLM AAP- farm LH Outreach achievement 16-17

Annexure C: Farm Livelihoods planning compilation of the SRLMs under SRLM AAP

Annexure D: SRLM AAP intervention wise achievement (16-17) and plan (17-18)

Annexure E: MKSP progress sheet of all the SRLMs present in the review

Annexure F: Dedicated HR for Farm LH