

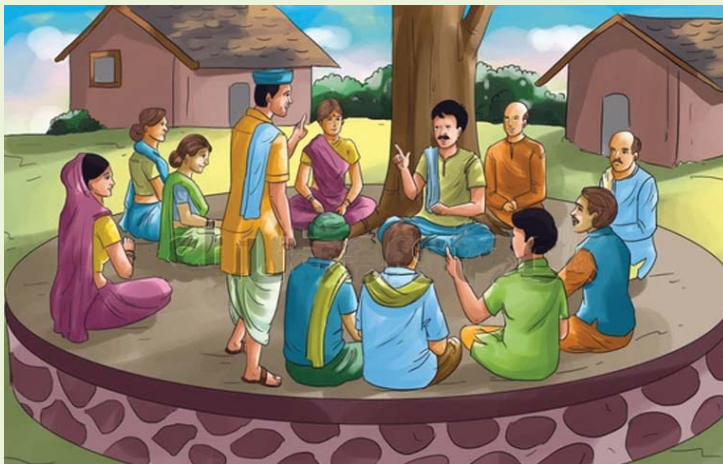


VILLAGE IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE (VIC)

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The Green-Ag project is a multi-sectoral project and adopts a landscape approach. This calls for bringing all the stakeholders, including Government Institutions, Self Help Groups (SHGs), Farmers Producer Organisations (FPOs) and even NGOs to come together and discuss the status of their landscape and to reach a common understanding for the purpose of :-

1. Identifying strengths and weaknesses of the landscape
2. Identifying the challenges from the perspective of project, various stakeholders and then identifying the priority actions
3. Reconciling their differences to reach a consensus for planning the activities after prioritizing amongst priority actions already identified
4. Preparation of the landscape-level plan for implementation based on these priority actions
5. Implementation of the project activities/interventions
6. Monitoring the implementation vis-a-vis anticipated outputs and course correction, if required in the plan already prepared based on the experience of implementation.



Since village is the smallest unit in the landscape, a multisectoral committee is proposed to be constituted, which may be a new institution or any active institution may be designated as VIC by including all other relevant stakeholders present in the village.

Formation of Village Implementation Committees:

The VICs will draw representation from various key stakeholders - field functionaries of different line departments, vibrant community institutions and farmer collectives.

● Chairman of VIC

- ◆ Sarpanch / Panchayati Raj Institution (PRI) representative
- ◆ Any member of Gram Panchayat (GP) who is resident of the village and acceptable to Sarpanch/ PRI representative

● Indicative list of members in VIC

- Biodiversity Management Committees (BMCs)
- Eco-development Committee (EDC)
- Joint Forest Management Committee (JFMC)
- Watershed Management Committees (WMC)
- Farmers Collectives and Co-operatives



- Field level functionaries of different line departments (ex-officio members)
- Representative of SHGs working in the village
- Representative of indigenous/ tribal communities living in the village
- Representative from landless people living in the village
- Representative of CSOs/NGOs working in the village, if any

Note :

- ◆ *The List is only indicative and may vary as per local conditions and circumstances.*
- ◆ *One Person may also represent two interest groups. For example, a person may represent an indigenous/ tribal community and also landless class of individuals.*



Provisional Structure of VIC

Provisional structure of VIC as illustrated below, subject to modifications based on the inputs of the Sarpanch / PRI representative and other local representatives.

- The Sarpanch or any member of GP who is resident of a particular village and acceptable to Sarpanch shall be the Chairman of a VIC.
- Various other committees working in the village shall nominate their representatives to the VIC in a written form.
- The Community Resource Person shall be the Member Secretary of a VIC.
- All the Government officials from different line departments having jurisdiction of that village shall be Ex-officio members of a VIC.
- At least one-third of the members of a VIC shall be women.
- Adequate representation shall be given to the indigenous communities with at least two members from these communities.
- At least one member of the landless class of the village shall be a member.
- VIC shall meet as and when required but at least once in a month.
- If the chairman is absent due to any reason, the members may nominate any one among them to preside over the meeting on that particular day.



Role of Village Implementation Committee (VIC)

May include but are not limited to the following:

- Validate the findings during the community consultation.
- Identify strengths and weaknesses of the landscape.
- Identify the issues and challenges from various angles including aims and goals of project, various stakeholders and then identify priority actions.
- Reconcile difference of various stakeholders to reach a consensus for planning the activities after prioritizing the actions.
- Extend support in developing of Green Landscape Management Plans.
- Provide necessary support and oversee the implementation of Green Landscape Management Plans.
- Monitor the implementation vis-a-vis anticipated outputs and provide course correction (if any) required in the prepared plan.
- Timely inform the project team about any issues and challenges faced in the implementation of the project activities.
- Provide support to the project team for the project related activities as and when required.

