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To

The Director, Soil Conservation & Water Development- cum- State Project Nodal Officer,  
Odisha, Bhubaneswar./  
Director, IMAGE, Bhubaneswar/  
Chief Development Officer-cum-EO, Zilla Parishad, Mayurbhanj/  
Deputy Director, Similipal, Tiger Reserve, North/ South/  
Divisional Forest Officer, Baripada/ Karanja/ Rairangpur  
Chief District Agriculture Officer-cum-Project Director, ATMA, Mayurbhanj./  
Deputy Director of Horticulture, Mayurbhanj/  
Asst. Director of Sericulture, Mayurbhanj/  
Chief District Veterinary Officer, Mayurbhanj/  
District Fisheries Officer, Mayurbhanj/  
District Welfare Officer, Mayurbhanj/  
District Social Welfare Officer, Mayurbhanj/  
Head & Senior Scientist, KVK, Jashipur/  
Head & Senior Scientist, KVK, Shamakhunta./  
Vice-Chancellor, Maharaja Sriram Chandra Bhanj Deo University, Baripada/  
State Technical Coordinator, SPMU, Green-Ag. Project, Bhubaneswar/  
Project Administrator, ITDA, Baripada/  
Project Administrator, ITDA, Karanja/  
Project Administrator, ITDA, Rairangpur/  
Project Administrator, ITDA, Kaptipada/  
Special Officer, HKMDA, Jasipur/  
Gram Panchayat Heads of Similipal Biodiversity area.

Sub: Minutes of 8<sup>th</sup> District Level Technical Support Group (TSG) meeting of FAO-GEF  
assisted Green-Ag Project-Reg.

Madam/Sir,

In inviting a kind reference to the above cited subject, I am to inform that, the 8<sup>th</sup> TSG meeting of FAO-GEF assisted Green-Ag Project was held on 26.07.2024 at 05:00 P.M in the Sammilani Kakhya of Collectorate, Mayurbhanj. The minutes of the meeting duly approved by the Collector and District Magistrate, Mayurbhanj is enclosed herewith for your kind information and necessary action.

Encl: As above

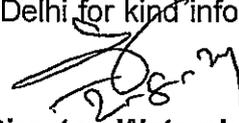
Yours Faithfully,

Project Director, Watersheds  
-cum- District Nodal Officer,  
Green-Ag. Project, Mayurbhanj

Memo No. 1247

Date: 02/08/2024

Copy submitted to the FAO Representative in India, New Delhi for kind information and necessary action.

  
Project Director, Watersheds  
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Green-Ag. Project, Mayurbhanj.

Memo No. 1248

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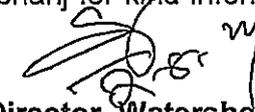
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Project Director, Watersheds  
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Green-Ag. Project, Mayurbhanj

Memo No. 1249

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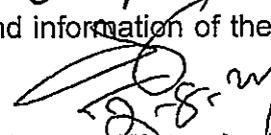
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Project Director, Watersheds  
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Green-Ag. Project, Mayurbhanj

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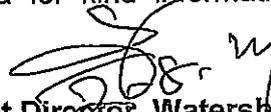
Copy submitted to the PA to Collector, Mayurbhanj for kind information of the Collector & District Magistrate, Mayurbhanj.

  
Project Director, Watersheds  
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Green-Ag. Project, Mayurbhanj

Memo No. 1251

Date: 02/08/2024

Copy submitted to the PS to Chief Secretary, Odisha for kind information of Chief Secretary.

  
Project Director, Watersheds  
-cum- District Nodal Officer,  
Green-Ag. Project, Mayurbhanj

Memo No. 1252

Date: 02/08/2024

Copy submitted to the Joint Secretary (RFS), Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers' Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare, Government Of India, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi/ Joint Secretary (IC) & GEF OFF, Ministry of environment, Forest & climate change, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, New Delhi for favour of kind information and necessary action.

  
Project Director, Watersheds  
-cum- District Nodal Officer,  
Green-Ag. Project, Mayurbhanj

**Minutes of the 8<sup>th</sup> Technical Support Group (TSG) Meeting of Green-Ag Project, Odisha held on 26.07.2024, 5:00 PM at**

**Sammilani Kakshya of Collectorate, Baripada, Mayurbhanj**

The 8<sup>th</sup> Technical Support Group (TSG) meeting of the Green-Ag Project, Odisha was held under the Chairpersonship of Shri Dattatraya Bhausaheb Shinde, IAS, Collector and District Magistrate, Mayurbhanj -cum-Chairperson, TSG, Green- Ag Project at 05:00 PM on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2024 in the Sammilani Kakshya of Collectorate, Mayurbhanj. This meeting was attended by DFO Karanjia, PA, ITDA, Karanjia, and Nodal Officers from different line departments and institutes including Agriculture, Horticulture, Fisheries, Sericulture, Forest, ITDA, Animal Husbandry, SPMU and GLIU Team. The list of participants is at **Annexure-1.**

At the outset, Sri. Siba Charan Jethy, Project Director, Watersheds cum District Project Nodal Officer (DPNO), Green-Ag Project, Mayurbhanj, Odisha welcomed the Chairperson and committee members of TSG as well as other participating officers. He gave a brief on progress of the activities under Green-Ag Project.

Subsequently, Mr. Amarjeet Mishra, Team Leader and NRM Expert, GLIU made a detailed presentation on agenda items including discussion on progress of activities approved under Green Landscape Management Plan, issues in implementation and approval of additional activities by TSG. He also presented the physical and financial status of the project.

**Approval of the minutes of 7<sup>th</sup> TSG meeting:**

The minutes of the 7<sup>th</sup> TSG meeting circulated to all the members vide letter no. 612 on dated 16/03/2024. As no comments have been received from any quarters, the minute was approved.

**The Committee deliberated on agenda wise points and following decisions were made:**

- The Collector & DM, Mayurbhanj -cum- Chairman TSG, Green-Ag Project intervened regarding the financial status and expressed his concerned for the low expenditure status.
- It was suggested by the chair to expedite the quarterly expenditure.
- A discussion was held on incoming business planning and value chain like total financial allocation, way of implementation department wise.

- The Chair instructed to form societies in the selected cluster and aggregation center followed by processing, packaging and branding of the products and establishment of Green-Ag outlets by involving the local youths as best as we can.
- Apart from that a detailed discussion was held, department wise, with CDVO, CDAO, DDH, Fishery, ITDA to work in that line and prepare detailed report and road map for kind appraisal of the Collector & DM, Mayurbhanj –cum- Chairman TSG; Green-Ag Project, Mayurbhanj for successful convergence.

#### **Livestock Intervention:**

- The focus was on establishment of Milk society, poultry and goat product society. In this regard a detailed discussion with the CDVO and AH Expert, GLIU to prepare the DPR and road map at earliest for presentation to the Collector & DM, Mayurbhanj –cum- Chairman TSG, Green-Ag Project and financial requirement may be placed by head of the district for Green-Ag fund for quick and better implementation. Furthermore, if more fund is required for processing unit etc. the fund can be arranged by district administration.
- CDVO Mayurbhanj was instructed to find out the surplus milk & meat production. Also, he was directed to prepare the DPR for the cold van and mechanized cutting centre.
- While examining the components of incoming business plan, value chain intervention and the fund allocated for the purpose, it was decided not to take up goat sheds and poultry night shelters out of green value chain fund, it may be converged from SPPIF and NREGA. Hence the NPMU (National Project Management Unit) may be moved to recast their plan.
- The Chair was appraised regarding the vaccination of livestock and poultry which has been completed and 15 numbers of youth have been identified and enlisted to undergo a para-vet training of 2 to 3 days in KVK, Mayurbhanj-II, Jashipur to stream line & to execute all livestock activities in Similipal Buffer area which is to be facilitated by BVO, Jashipur & GLIU.

#### **Agriculture:**

- As because there is strong mechanism in place for procurement and marketing of paddy, we need not include it in the value chain program

rather the project should be capitalized in non-paddy crops like oilseed and pulses and fruits like indigenous value-added variety.

- If certified seeds are not available with the certified agencies like OSSC, Odisha, the chair decided to purchase from open market.
- CDAO Mayurbhanj was directed to prepare a DPR for the Ragi processing unit and capacity building plan of farmer.

#### **Horticulture:**

- The DDH was also directed accordingly:
  1. To explore the possibility of processing of horticulture products especially the mango pulp and spices and tie up with the existing potential players for marketing.
  2. To introduce litchi and strawberry in the buffer areas of Similipal, prepare the farmer training modules and the standard estimate for solar cold storage unit for the same.
  3. To introduce the banana variety suitable for chips making in convergence with Green-Ag Project.
  4. To furnish the delivery challan & vouchers to PD Watersheds cum DPNO Green-Ag Project, Mayurbhanj for necessary payment at earliest.

In view of the above suggestion of the chair, it was decided to communicate NPMU (National Project Management Unit), Green-Ag Project, New Delhi, India to recast the business development plan and value chain intervention for one commodity for identified cluster including packaging and branding and apprise the same to the chair within 15 days.

#### **Diversion of Fund in GLMP (Green Landscape Management Plan):**

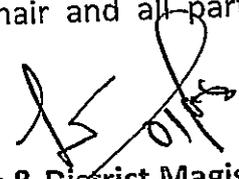
It has been learnt from the field experience that creation of water bodies like 10% models and Water Harvesting Structures is the prime demand from the beneficiaries, hence, funds allocated under various components from Green landscape implementation support unit of amounting to Rs. 4235000/- (Rupees Forty-Two Lakhs Thirty-Five Thousand Only) **(at annexure 2)** may be diverted to the creation of water bodies like 10% models and Water Harvesting Structures in Green-Ag areas including villages selected under "Mission Similipal."

#### **Any other discussions as opined by the Chair.**

- Recruitment of block co-ordinator should be done immediately.

- The chair decided to recruit two technical persons for plan and estimate preparation, execution and check measurement.
- CDAO, DDH, CDVO, PA ITDA, DFO were instructed to prepare and communicate the plan for training on various respective domains out of Green-Ag fund.
- The Chair instructed to complete all the plantations and seed procurement within a short period to make expenditure.
- The issues of the CRPs such as hike of monthly remuneration and group insurance was put forth to the chair and the chair ensured to incentivise the CRPs basing on the performance.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair and all participating members.

  
Collector & District Magistrate  
-Cum-Chairman, TSG, Mayurbhanj