#### PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

<u>Sub</u>: Formation of the Directorate of Secondary Agriculture.

**Read:** 1. Meeting chaired by the Hon'ble Chief Minister on 25.08.2021.

E-mail dated 16.09.2021 of Dr. Ashok Dalwai, IAS (Retd),
 Chairperson, Empowered Committee on Doubling of
 Farmer's Income, Ministry of Agriculture, New Delhi.

### **PREAMBLE**:

- 1. Agriculture is a profession on which the highest percentage of the population of the State is directly and indirectly depends for its earning. Whereas in the past 20 years or so, there has been significant enhancement in the production and productivity of crops, but the income of the farmer has not grown proportionately. Not only that, the vagaries of weather too has been impacting agriculture and farm income considerably. It is high time that farming be so modified, so that the farm income be optimised by utilising all resources and potential available in the farm sector in an integrated manner.
- 2. With these in view, the Government of India gave a call for doubling of farmer's income of 2014-15 by 2022-23. Both, the Government of India as well as the Government of Karnataka, took measures and drew up an action plan to achieve this target. The State Action Plan focussed on popularising Integrated Farming System (IFS) in each agro-climatic zone with providing better markets and market intelligence as the means to achieve the goal.
- 3. In the meeting of 25.08.2021 chaired by the Hon'ble Chief Minister, he has stressed the point of concentrating on Secondary Agriculture as the means to taking agriculture forward and achieving the goal of doubling of farmer's income. For this, he directed that a Directorate of Secondary



Agriculture be set up in the State. The proceedings of the meeting on this are cited as under –

"ಕೃಷಿ, ತೋಟಗಾರಿಕೆ, ಹೈನುಗಾರಿಕೆ, ಪ್ರಾಣಿಜನ್ಯ ಉತ್ಪನ್ನಗಳ ಸಂಸ್ಕರಣೆ, ಗ್ರಾಮೀಣ ಮತ್ತು ಗುಡಿ ಕೈಗಾರಿಕೆಯ ಮೂಲಕ ರೈತರಿಗೆ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಆದಾಯ ತರಲು ಹಾಗೂ ಗ್ರಾಮೀಣ ಭಾಗದಲ್ಲಿ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಉದ್ಯೋಗ ಸೃಜನೆಗೆ ಪೂರಕವಾಗಿ ಯಾವುದೇ ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಹೊರೆ ಇಲ್ಲದೆ, ಪ್ರತ್ಯೇಕ ಸೆಕಂಡರಿ ಕೃಷಿ ನಿರ್ದೇಶನಾಲಯದ (Secondary Agriculture Directorate) ಸ್ಥಾಪನೆ ಮಾಡುವುದು. ಈ ಮೂಲಕ ಕೃಷಿ ಉತ್ಪನ್ನಗಳಿಂದ ಉಪ ಉತ್ಪನ್ನಗಳ ತಯಾರಿಕೆಗೆ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮ / ಯೋಜನೆಗಳನ್ನು ರೂಪಿಸಿ ಅನುಷ್ಠಾನ ಮಾಡುವುದು".

4. The term "Secondary Agriculture", as described in Volume IX of the "Report of the Committee on Doubling Farmers' Income" prepared by the Committee on Doubling Farmers' Income, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers' Welfare, is an enterprise that has direct involvement of the agricultural community and must provide growth opportunity to the primary sector. Secondary level activities, linked to agriculture, can include economic activities from the secondary or the tertiary sectors.

Therefore, secondary agriculture a productive activity at enterprise level that-

- i. utilizes as raw material the primary product and by-products of agriculture and other biological resources available locally in its rural agrarian neighbourhood; and/or
- ii. deploys locally available skills or a high level of rural manpower to operate/manage/ maintain the production of goods and services; and
- iii. promotes farm/cottage and village level rural industries by utilizing low intensity of capital and technology.

Secondary Agriculture includes food and non-food bio-resource based products for human and industrial use.

5. A paper on what could be the structure, composition and roles/responsibilities of the Directorate of Secondary Agriculture was drafted by Dr. Ashok Dalwai, IAS (Retd.) as read (2) above. This was considered by the Committee headed by the Additional Chief Secretary and Development Commissioner on 13.10.2021 and 22.10.2021. Based upon the deliberations and decisions of these two meetings, the Government is pleased to issue the following order:

## GOVERNMENT ORDER NO ASC/73/2021 (P-3), BENGALURU, DATED 18.01.2022

A State Directorate for Secondary Agriculture is constituted with immediate effect and further orders within the Department of Agriculture, comprising the following Officers:

Sl.No.	Designation	Position
1	Director of Agriculture	Director
2	Director of Sugar	Member
3	Director of Khadi & Village Industries	Member
4	Joint Director of Watershed Development Department	Technical Officer
5	Joint Director of Animal Husbandry	Technical Officer
6	Joint Director of Horticulture.	Technical Officer
7	Joint Director of Fisheries.	Technical Officer
8	Joint Director of Agriculture Marketing	Technical Officer
9	Chief Conservator of Forests	Technical Officer
10	Professor in the subject of Agricultural Marketing	Member



11	Professor in the subject of Agriculture Economics	Member
12	Two Progressive Farmers to be nominated by the Government	Members
13	Two Farmer Producer Organization's representatives (reputed at National /International level) to be nominated by the Government	Members

The officers in the capacity of Technical Officer will be on deputation from the concerned line Departments. There will be no creation of additional posts.

The Directorate can hire the services of experts in the field of Project Management, Digital Technology and Data analysis on the contract basis.

Condition: A separate post of the Director for Secondary Agriculture will be created. Till the post is created, the existing Director of Agriculture can function as Director of Secondary Agriculture.

In due course, a separate Directorate will be created for this purpose.

## Role and Functions of the Directorate

- To identify different tasks to be achieved in Secondary Agriculture sector.
- To compile data and assess the quantum of various crop produce (primary and by-products) available from farm, livestock, fisheries and aquaculture, sub-sectors; common property resources like pastures land and forests.



- To map different Schemes and Projects implemented in various Departments and Agencies of both the Government of India and Karnataka, which are serving the purpose of Secondary Agriculture.
- To identify the skills necessary to promote primary and secondary processing; and development of customised training, orientation & skilling packages.
- To identify marketing options and alternate avenues and link the secondary agricultural produce to different marketing outlets.
- To develop standards, set up quality control facilities, product brands,, GI Tags, etc. that will help in better marketing via both physical and online trade platforms.
- To guide the District Level Implementation Committees to plan and develop Secondary Agriculture Action Plan for respective district.
- To Develop an Integrated Secondary Agriculture Action Plan for the State interlinking various schemes identified as above.
- To Monitor and evaluate the progress of the Integrated action plan.

  Guide the District Committee for midcourse correction.
- To Work as Secretariat for State Level Steering Committee.
- To Suggest new strategies, schemes and projects in achieving the objectives of Secondary Agriculture.

The funds required to run the Directorate shall be mobilised out of administrative grants available under various schemes in Agriculture Department.



## **State Level Steering Committee (SLSC)**

With a view to facilitate the working of the Directorate of Secondary Agriculture, there shall be a State Level Steering Committee (SLSC) comprising of-

Sl.no.	Designation	Position
1	The Additional Chief Secretary and Development Commissioner.	Chairperson
2	Secretary, Department of Agriculture.	Member
3	Secretary, Department of Animal Husbandry.	Member
4	Secretary, Department of Horticulture.	Member
5	Secretary, Department of Fisheries.	Member
6	Secretary, Department of Sericulture.	Member
7	Secretary, Department of Co-operation.	Member
8	Secretary, Department of Commerce and Industries.	Member
9	Secretary (Expenditure), Department of Finance.	Member
10	Secretary, Department of Forest.	Member
11	Secretary, Department of Food Processing	Member
12	Managing Director, KPTCL	Member



13	The Chief General Manager, NABARD	Member
14	Vice Chancellor, Bangalore University of Agriculture Sciences, GKVK.	Member
15	Director, CFTRI.	Member
16	MD, Karnataka Milk Federation	Member
17	MD, KAPPEC	Member
18	Two reputed organisation/companies involved in Agriculture products manufacturing & marketing	Member
19	Director of Secondary Agriculture	Member Secretary

The Committee may co-opt other members depending upon the need and requirement from time to time.

## Roles and Responsibilities of the SLSC

- (A) To consider, approve and review the implementation of the State level project/action plan of secondary agriculture prepared by the Directorate of Secondary Agriculture.
- (B) To co-ordinate effectively amongst the departments implementing the project/action plan of secondary agriculture.
- (C) To monitor the implementation of the State Level Action Plan and the decisions made in the State Level Steering Committee.
- (D) To get the implementation of the project/action plan of secondary agriculture evaluated from time to time and effecting course corrections based on the recommendations of the evaluation.



## Preparation of Secondary Agriculture Action Plan

- A. Each Head of the related Department shall constitute a working group/cell of up to five persons, including one who would be from the faculty of the University which deals with the subject of the department, one a person who is an expert in analysis of the data available in the field of the department, one who is proficient in project formulation and one who is from the an expert on the subject but is not from the government sector.
- B. A working group/cell of each department shall identify and set annual targets up to district level in the field of Secondary Agriculture consistent with the availability of funds, and prepare a project/action plan of their department along with where and how they expect convergence with other departments. Integrated Farming System, forward and backward linkages, value addition, packing, branding, FPO formation, providing avenues of sale so that better prices are obtained by the farmers for their produce and promotion of rural/cottage industries shall be considered, examined and covered in the project/action plan of each department. This shall be submitted to the Head of the Department (HoD).
- C. The concerned HoDs would consider and finalize these targets and submit it to the Director of Secondary Agriculture who will get compiled the project/action plan district-wise, department-wise and for the State would submit the composite project/ action plan for the approval of the SLSC. After approval of the SLSC the approved project/action plan of secondary agriculture along with the plans of each department will be taken up for implementation. The project/action plan will be implemented by the District Level Implementation Committee for Secondary Agriculture.



D. The Directorate shall review the progress of implementation of the project/action plan of secondary agriculture by the districts as frequently as possible, but not later than once every two months. They will also give suitable directions to the District Level Implementation Committee for Secondary Agriculture for effective implementation of the plan.

# <u>District Level Implementation Committee for Secondary Agriculture</u> (DLICSA)

The District Level Implementation Committee for Secondary Agriculture is the body that will be implementing the State project/action plan of secondary agriculture related to their district and shall comprise of the following:

Sl.No.	Designation	Position
1	The Chief Executive Officer of Zilla Panchayath.	Chairperson
2	The Deputy Director of Horticulture.	Member
3	The Deputy Director, Department of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Sciences.	Member
4	The Deputy Director of Fisheries.	Member
5	The Deputy Director of Sericulture.	Member
6	The Deputy Director/ Assistant Director, Agriculture Marketing Department.	Member
7	The Deputy Conservator of Forests.	Member
8	Joint Director, Commerce & Industries Department	Member
9	Executive Engineer, ESCOM	Member
10	Deputy Registrar of Co-operative Societies	Member
11	Manager, Lead Bank.	Member
12	Joint Director of Agriculture	Member Secretary



## Roles and Responsibilities of the DLICSA

- (1) To coordinate with various departments concerned with skill development, promotion of cottage and village industries, financial institutions, training organisations, research institutes etc., and facilitate primary and secondary processing activities.
- (2) To prepare comprehensive district plans for promotion of secondary agriculture based on local resources.
- (3) To promote aggregation platforms where the raw produce can be aggregated and fed to village level industries.
- (4) To monitor and review the progress of implementation of the plan as frequently as possible, not later than once in every month.
- (5) To take measures for co-ordination among implementing departments and timely convergence, particularly in implementing of IFS and realization of forward and backward linkages.

The DLICSA may co-opt more members and or NGOs for effective and timely implementation of the plan.

There shall be no additional post created for the SLSC and DLICSA or any of its bodies, Working Groups etc., nor any permanent/temporary additional infrastructure created or any vehicle purchased or taken on outsource basis.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Karnataka,

P.Satyabhama)

Under Secretary to Government, Agriculture Department (Planning)

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- 2. The Accountant General (WF & RA), Revenue Audit wing, Principal Accountant General Building, Bengaluru -01.
- 3. The Principal Secretary to Government, Horticulture Department.
- 4. The Principal Secretary to Government, Animal Husbandry and Fisheries Department.
- 5. The Principal Secretary to Government, Sericulture Department.
- 6. The Secretary to Government (Expenditure), Finance Department
- 7. The Commissioners for Animal Husbandry, Agriculture, Watershed Development and Sericulture.
- 8. The Directors of Agriculture and Horticulture, Bengaluru.
- 9. The Director of Treasuries/Joint Director, SHT, Bengaluru.
- 10. All the Chief Executive Officer's of the Zilla Panchayats of the State.
- 11. All the District Joint Directors of Agriculture and Deputy Directors of Horticulture.
- 12. The Deputy Secretary & IFA, Agriculture Department, Bengaluru.
- 13. The Under Secretary to Government Finance Department (FR&CC), Vidhana Soudha.
- 14. The Under Secretary to Government Finance Department EXP IV, Vidhana Soudha.
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