

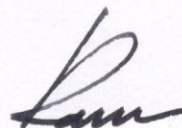
Tour Note of Shri Ram Muivah, Secretary, NEC to Guwahati
From 31st January to 3rd February, 2019.

1. 01st February, 2019: Attended meeting with SRLM CEOs on NERLP Transition convened by Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India at IIBM, Guwahati. The following issues emerged regarding proposed NERLP Institutions merging with SRLM:

i. Certain interventions other than SHG/SHG Federation, like value chain interventions, processing units, dryers, feed mills, hatcheries etc. are higher order livelihoods interventions and they are still at a nascent stage. In only one or two cases machineries have arrived and in most cases construction is nearing completion. So actual work of making them operational and sustainable actually starts now. However, NERLP has gone much ahead in implementing such value chain work through Producer Groups and Producer Companies including SHG federations in comparison to the 4 SRLMs. Already 15 companies are registered and 9 more are in pipeline. These companies and producer groups can do higher order business activities like any company and can run processing units, handle branding and marketing. It is reported that none of the 4 SRLMs have taken up that kind work as of now, even if it is part of NERLP mandate. Apart from SHGs/Federations, their livelihood work is mostly limited to production side training.

ii. In each livelihoods cluster, where PGs/POs are coming up NERLP takes help of expert technical partner agencies and these agencies put full time staff in the field for end to end support for handholding. Each of these partnership values run into crores. These partnerships may be continued and they should be made more intensive with additional manpower, financial resources. Each PO under NERLP may get a grant of up to 1.5 crore. SRLMs shall have to provide funding through MKSP or any other source.

iii. Apart from Human resources at district, block, state level, whether SRLMs can have that kind of financial resources in their budget needs to be considered. It is reported that in some SRLM structures like Sikkim there are not even District units.



iv. Thus the option of expediting the second phase keeping all the institutions of NERLP with it and assigning higher order institutional work such as district, state level federations turning in to community women banks etc may be made part of the overall NEETP agenda.

**Action: PD, NERLP, Smt Nita Kejriwal, IAS, Joint Secretary, MoRD
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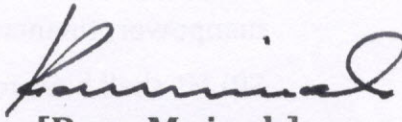
2.0 02nd February, 2019: Inspected the **Agri-Business Centre** with modern facilities including accommodation at **Assam Agricultural University, Khanapara Campus**, Assam implemented by AAU, Jorhat, Assam funded by NEC at the estimated cost of Rs. 14.50 crore. The building is conveniently located by the side of East West Corridor at Khanapara. The progress of the works is impressive. It is going to be an iconic and landmark building in Guwahati. The building has the following important features:

- (a) VIP Rooms 12 nos
- (b) Executive Rooms 42 nos
- (c) VIP Dinning Area
- (d) Dinning Area
- (e) Conference Hall
- (f) Exhibition Hall
- (g) Lounge Area
- (h) Internet Café
- (i) Cloak Room
- (j) Dormitory

2.1 One whole floor will be allotted to NEC. NEC has received the UC, QPR and Statement of account for the 1st installment fund. The implementing agency, AAU has requested for release of 2nd installment. A few photos of the building are enclosed as below.

Action: Adviser (Horticulture)

Enclo: as above


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