Subject:- 4th Meeting of the General Body of the National Rural Livelihoods Promotion Society (NRLPS) held at the Conference Hall “Unnati” on 11th January, 2017 – regarding.

The 4th meeting of the General Body of the National Rural Livelihoods Promotion Society (NRLPS) was held under the chairmanship of Union Minister of Rural Development and President, NRLPS on 11th January, 2017, at 11.00 AM at the conference hall “Unnati”, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.

2. A copy of the minutes of the said meeting is enclosed herewith.

(Atal Dulloo)
Joint Secretary (RL) &
Chief Executive Officer, NRLPS

To,

1) PS to Hon’ble Minister (Rural Development) with the request to bring it to the notice of the Hon’ble Minister (RD) & President, NRLPS.
2) PS to Hon’ble Minister of State (Rural Development) with the request to bring it to the notice of the Hon’ble Minister of State (Rural Development).
3) Shri Jagdambika Pal, Hon’ble Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha, 12, Teen Murti Marg, New Delhi
4) Shri Narayan Lal Panchariya, Hon’ble Member of Parliament, Rajya Sabha, 503, Brahmaputra Apartments, Dr. B.D. Marg, New Delhi.

Ministry of Rural Development

1) Shri Amarjeet Sinha, Secretary (Rural Development) & Vice President
2) Shri Atal Dulloo, Joint Secretary (Rural Livelihoods), Chief Executive Officer
3) Smt. Alka Upadhyaya, Joint Secretary (Skills), Additional Chief Executive Officer

Representatives of the Central Government

1) Shri Nagesh Singh, Additional Secretary (Rural Development).
2) Shri Anshu Prakash, Additional Secretary & Financial Adviser, Ministry of Rural Development)
3) Shri C.M. Pandey, Additional Commissioner (NRM), Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare.

**DGs of NIRD and CAPART**

1) Dr. W.R. Reddy, Director General, National Institute of Rural Development, Hyderabad (ex-officio).
2) Shri M.L. Meena, Director General, Council for Advancement of People’s Action and Rural Technology (CAPART) (ex-officio), New Delhi.

**Representatives of the State Governments:**

1) Smt. Navraj Sandhu, Additional Chief Secretary, Rural Development and Panchayati Raj Department, Government of Haryana, Chandigarh.
2) Shri P. Sampath Kumar, Commissioner & Secretary, Community and Rural Development Department, Government of Meghalaya, Shillong.
3) Shri Sudarshan Sethi, Principal Secretary, Rural Development and Panchayati Raj Department, Government of Rajasthan, Jaipur.
4) Shri Hans Raj Verma, Secretary, Rural Development & Panchayati Raj Department, Government of Tamil Nadu, Chennai.
5) Shri Saurabh Kumar Das, Secretary, Panchayat & Rural Development Department, Government of West Bengal, Kolkata.

**Representatives of the Ministries / Departments of the Government of India**

1) Shri Pankaj Jain, Joint Secretary, Department of Financial Services, 3rd Floor, Jeevan Deep Building, Parliament Street, New Delhi-110001.
2) Dr. D.K. Sharma, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Sardar Patel Bhawan, Parliament Street, New Delhi.
3) Dr. Ashok Kumar Jain, Adviser (RD), NITI Aayog, Room No.205, Yojana Bhawan, Sansad Marg, New Delhi.
4) Ms. Nutan Guha Biswas, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Women and Child Development, Room No.309 'A' Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
5) Shri Manoj Kumar Pingua, JS(CDN), M/o Tribal Affairs, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Room No.737, A-Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
6) Shri Mukesh Jain, Joint Secretary, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, 5th Floor, Paryavaran Bhawan, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003.
8) Shri Manoj Joshi, Joint Secretary (ME) Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi110108.
9) Shri Rajeev Arora, Joint Secretary, Directorate General of Employment & Training, Ministry of Labour and Employment, Shram Shakti Bhawan, Rafi Marg, New Delhi.
10) Shri K.C. Samria, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Minority Affairs, 11th Floor, Paryavaran Bhawan, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003.
NSDC and NABARD

1) Shri Jaikant Singh, Lead Programme Developer, National Skill Development Corporation, Block A, Clarion Collection, Shaheed Jeet Singh Marg, New Delhi.
2) Shri H.R. Dave, Deputy Managing Director, NABARD, C-24, G-Block, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra East, Mumbai-400051.

Representatives of Banks

1) Shri Mohan Reddy, General Manager, Syndicate Bank, 2nd Cross, Gandhi Nagar, Bengaluru – 500 009.
2) Shri Virupaksha, General Manager, Priority Credit and Financial Inclusion Wing, Canara Bank, Head Office, 112, J.C. Road, Bangalore.

NGOs

1) Shri Tejesh H. Shah Chairman, Digital Green Foundation, D6 and E6, Clarion Collection, Shaheed Jeet Singh Marg, New Delhi-110016 (No- 011-41881037)
3) Shri Manas Satpathy, Executive Director Professional Assistance for Development Action (PRADAN), E-1/A, Kailash Colony New Delhi – 110048
4) Dr. Manju Nath, Executive Director, Shri Kshetra Dharmasthala Rural Development Project, Dharmashree Building, Dharamshtāla, Dakshina Kannada District, Karnatka
5) Shri Carmo Noronha, Executive Director and Secretary, BETHANY Society, Arai Mile, New Tura, W. Garo Hills, Meghalaya.

Representatives of Academic Institutions / organizations

1) Prof. Anu Singh Lather, Director, International Affairs and Former Dean, University School of Management Studies, Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University, A-21, Vijay CGHS, Krishna Residency, Plot No. 17, Sector 18-A, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110078.
2) Prof. R.C. Natarajan, Director, Institute of Rural Management, Post Box No. 60, Anand – 388001, Gujarat.
3) Dr. S.S. Chahar, Prof. & Head, Department of Public Administration, M.D. University, Rohtak, Haryana

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1) Ms. Shikha Tyagi, 368, AGCR Enclave, Delhi-110092.
2) Ms. Linda Newmai, 44-A/1, Ground Floor, Arjun Nagar, Safdarjung Enclave, New Delhi-110029.

Copy also to:-

1) Shri K. Moses Chalai, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Women and Child Development
2) Shri Sidhil Sasi, Director (IFD), Ministry of Rural Development
3) Shri Anil Subramaniam, Director, Rural Skills, Ministry of Rural Development
4) Shri R.A.S. Patel, Assistant Commissioner, Ministry of Agriculture & Commissioner (NRM)
5) Shri K.M. Noordeen, SPM (MRE), Government of Rajasthan
6) Shri Debasis Pal, Director, Ministry of Panchayati Raj
7) Shri Neeraj Srivastav, Director (RD), NITI Aayog.
8) Shri Ravindra Bhandary General Manager, Canara Bank.
9) Ms. Charu Chopra, Digital Green Foundation.
Minutes of the 4th Meeting of the General Body of National Rural Livelihoods Promotion Society, held on 11th January, 2017, at 11.00 AM at the conference room “Unnati”, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.

The list of persons who attended the meeting is at Annexure I.

2. Shri Amarjeet Sinha, Secretary (RD) & Vice President, NRLPS, welcomed the participants.

3. Shri Atal Dulloo, Joint Secretary (RL) & CEO, NRLPS, made a presentation on the present status of implementation of NRLM for the information of the participants.

4. Thereafter, item-wise agenda was taken up for discussion.

Agenda Item No. 1:- Confirmation of the minutes of the 3rd Meeting of the General Body held on 4th June, 2016

The minutes of the 3rd meeting of the General Body held on 4th June, 2016 were confirmed.

Agenda Item No. 2:- Action Taken Report on the decisions taken in the 3rd Meeting of the General Body, NRLPS, held on 4th June, 2016.

The members were apprised, item-wise, of the Action Taken Report (ATR) on the decisions taken in the 3rd Meeting of the General Body, NRLPS, held on 4th June, 2016. In regard to the status for appointment of Accounts Officer, General Body was informed that action to appoint a retired person as Accounts Officer of NRLPS has since been initiated and the person will be in position during this month itself. In regard to appointment of Human Resource Management Agency, the General Body was informed that in this case too action has been completed and the same is being listed separately as agenda item No. 4 (i). The members noted and approved the ATR on the decisions taken in the 3rd Meeting of the General Body, NRLPS.

Agenda Item No. 3:- Approval of the Annual Report 2015-16 including Audit Report and Audited Statement of Accounts 2015-16 of the National Rural Livelihoods Promotion Society

The members were informed about the various activities undertaken by the National Rural Livelihoods Promotion Society (NRLPS) during 2015-16. They were also informed that according to the Audited Statement of Accounts, the opening balance of the Society as on 01.04.2015 was Rs. 56,76,285/-; the Society received a grant-in-aid of Rs. 25 crore from the Government of India; the total expenditure during 2015-16 was Rs. 14,54,28,830/-; after accounting for the interest received, the closing balance of the Society as on 31.3.2016 was Rs. 11,22,89,024. The General Body was also informed that there are no adverse observations in the Audit Report for the year 2015-16.

Agenda Item No. 4:- Any other item with the permission of the Chair

(i) Contracting the services of M/s. NRMC India Pvt. Ltd. to provide Human Resource Management Support Services to NRLPS for the period of 01.01.2017 to 31.12.2019

The General Body was informed the brief background relating to appointment of M/s. NRMC India Pvt. Ltd. to provide management support services to the society. It was informed that after issue of Expression of Interest, RFP was issued to 6 shortlisted consultants for selection of human resource management agency through open tender process. In the process, M/s NRMC India Pvt Ltd has emerged as L1 consultant. As per the provisions of RFP, technical negotiations were done and contract has been concluded with the successful consultant i.e M/s NRMC India Pvt Ltd.

The General Body ratified the signing of the agreement between NRLPS and M/s. NRMC India Pvt. Ltd. for a period from 01.01.2017 to 31.12.2019.

5. The representative from Bharat Mata Foundation requested that Tablet PCs should be allowed for category C PIAs also and that Ministry should review the guideline and make provision for levy of project appraisal fee on PIAs applying for new projects under DDU-GKY.

It was clarified by the Rural Skills Division that with the alignment of DDU-GKY guidelines with common norms for Skill development schemes notified by Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, all categories of PIAs (i.e. category “A”, “B” and “C”) are now required to provide Table PCs to all candidates undergoing training. It was also stated that the subject matter of levy of project appraisal fees for new projects is under consideration in the Ministry. However, Bharat Mata Foundation was requested to submit a representation to Rural Skills Division of the Ministry.

6. The Hon’ble Minister (Rural Development) and President, NRLPS, observed that the matter relating allotment of land in urban areas for marketing of rural products may be pursued vigorously with the Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation. NRLM should also have specific provision in the scheme to facilitate such Rural Haats in urban areas.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.
Annexure I

List of Persons who attended the 4th Meeting of the General Body of NRLPS held at the Conference Room "Unnati", Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi, at 11.00 AM on 11.01.2017

10) Shri Narendra Singh Tomar, Minister (Rural Development), President
11) Shri Ram Kripal Yadav, Minister of State (Rural Development), Additional President
12) Shri Narayan Lal Panchariya, Member of Parliament, Rajya Sabha, 503, Brahmaputra Apartments, Dr. B.D. Marg, New Delhi.
13) Shri Amarjeet Sinha, Secretary (Rural Development) & Vice President
14) Shri Nagesh Singh, Additional Secretary (Rural Development).
15) Shri M.L. Meena, Director General, Council for Advancement of People’s Action and Rural Technology (CAPART) (ex-officio), New Delhi.
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17) Shri K. Moses Chalai, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Women and Child Development
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24) Shri Mohan Reddy, General Manager, Syndicate Bank
25) Shri Ravindra Bhandary General Manager, Canara Bank.
26) Ms. Promila Dwivedi, General Secretary, Bharat Mata Welfare Foundation
27) Ms. Charu Chopra, Digital Green Foundation