

**Minutes of the 1<sup>st</sup> State Level Steering Committee (SLSC) Meeting of  
the National Beekeeping & Honey Mission held on 31.07.2021 in the  
Conference Hall, O/o. Commissioner of PR & RD, Telangana State,  
Hyderabad**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

- 1 Sri. M. Raghunandan Rao, IAS,  
APC & Secretary to Govt.,  
Agriculture & Cooperation Dept. : Chairman
- 2 Sri. L. Venkatram Reddy  
Director of Horticulture & Sericulture : Member  
: Secretary
- 3 Ms. S. Glory Swarupa,  
Director General, Ni-MSME : Special Invitee
- 4 Dr. B. Neeraja Prabhakar,  
Vice-chancellor, SKLTSHU, Mulugu. : Member
- 5 Dr. R. Jagadeeshwar,  
Director of Research,PJTSAU,Hyd. : Member
- 6 Sri. Akhil Kumar Gawar,  
Director, TSFPS, Industries Dept. TS. : Member
- 7 Dr. A. Kiran Kumar,  
Director of Extension, SKLTSHU. : Special Invitee
- 8 Sri. Sarveshwar Reddy, Addl. Director  
Tribal welfare Dept., TS. : Member
- 9 Smt.G.B. Rekha Bhanu, Deputy CF (SF),  
O/o. Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, Forest  
Dept. (HoFF) : Member
- 10 Sri. E. Satyanarayana, Joint CEO  
State Khadi & Village Industries Board : Member
- 11 Sri. V. Seetharam, General Manager,  
TSGCC Ltd., Hyderabad. : Special Invitee
- 12 Sri. G.Santhanam,  
DGM, NABARD, Hyderabad : Member
- 13 Sri. N. Vijaya kumar,  
Dy. General Manager,TSGCC Ltd., Hyd. : Special Invitee

- 14 Sri. Md. Khan, Sr. Consultant  
O/o. Director General, NIRD & PR, Hyd : Member
- 15 Smt. K. Hemalatha, Asst. Director of Horticulture  
O/o. Commissioner RD & PR, TS. : Member
- 16 Dr. A. Gopala Krishna Reddy,  
Scientist (Horticulture), ICAR-CRIDA, Hyd. : Member
- 17 Dr. Shreekant Sharma, AFM, SEE,  
ni-msme, Hyd : Special Invitee
- 18 Sri. Sandeep sharma, Regional Manager  
TRIFED, Hyd. : Member
- 19 Sri. N.S.Rawat, Branch Manager,  
NAFED, Hyderabad : Member
- 20 Sri. M.Srishylam, Asst. Section Officer,  
Finance Dept. Secretariat, TS. : Member
- 21 Sri. V. S. Rao, Executive,  
State Office, KVIC, Hyd. : Special Invitee
- 22 Sri. M.N. Sharath Kumar, Technical Advisor,  
LTG Mysore Greens Exports Pvt. Ltd., : Special Invitee
- 23 Sri. P. Ravindra Kumar, Director, Apiculture  
Technology Centre, NIRD & PR, Hyd. : Member
- 24 Sri. N. Rama chandraiah, President ,  
MITHRA Foundation : NGO
- 25 Sri D. Madhusudhan Reddy, Project Manager,  
Addagudur Farmers Producer Company Limited : FPC
- 26 Smt. V. Rajini Kumari, President, Vajarala  
Satyanarayana reddy Educatinal Society : NGO
- 27 Sri. J. Aruna Reddy, Project Director,  
Sneha Youvajana Sangam : NGO
- 28 Smt. K. Indira Reddy, MD,  
Rutika Innovations Pvt. Ltd., RR Dist. : Women  
Entrepreneur
- 29 Sri. V.V.K.B.N. Murthy, Project Director,  
Girijana Vikas Swatchanda Seva Samastha : NGO

1. At the outset, the Director of Horticulture, Member Secretary SLSC National Beekeeping & Honey Mission, Telangana has welcomed all the members to the 1<sup>st</sup> State Level Steering Committee (SLSC) Meeting and explained about the history, importance and significance of Honey bee cultivation in India and Telangana state as well.
2. Further, the APC & Secretary to Govt., Agriculture & Cooperation Dept., and Chairman, SLSC, NBHM, Telangana has interacted with the members of SLSC and the agenda items were discussed in detail. The Agenda item wise decisions of SLSC are as follows:

### **Agenda Item No.1**

3. The SLSC, NBHM, Telangana has agreed for adopting the guidelines of National Beekeeping and Honey Mission (NBHM) for implementation of the scheme in the state and accorded permission for Opening of Bank account for maintaining the scheme funds.

### **Agenda item No.2 (A)**

4. The SLSC, NBHM, Telangana has approved for Setting up of State Beekeeping Honey Mission at Hyderabad with the assistance of Rs. 25.00 lakhs under the scheme and instructed to procure the required material on need base.
5. Further the SLSC has suggested to constitute a Standing Sub Steering Committee with the following members for scrutiny and evaluation of proposals and to conduct Techno Economic Viability Study (TEVS) before placing individual proposals in SLSC.
  1. Representative from NIRD, Hyderabad.
  2. Representative from ni-msme, Hyderabad.
  3. Representative from Tribal Welfare Department, Telangana State
  4. Representative from SKLTSHU
  5. Dy. Director of Horticulture (MIDH) of Horticulture Department.
  6. Representative from NABARD, Hyderabad.

6. The Standing Sub Steering Committee has to meet as and when required for scrutiny of the proposals and also suggested to dispose the proposals within three weeks. Every proposal received including those rejected / under consideration and sanctioned should be put up in next SLSC.
7. Further, suggested to address a letter to Govt., of India for allocation of 1.5% of project cost from NBB share as a mission management fund to the state Beekeeping and honey mission, Telangana.

### **Agenda item No.2 (B)**

8. The SLSC, NBHM, Telangana has accorded permission to Initiate action for Setting up of Integrated Beekeeping Development Centre (IBDC) under NBHM in anyone of the Horticulture Departmental farms or any agency.

### **Agenda item No.3**

9. The DG, ni-msme, Hyderabad has presented their proposals to organize trainings / Exposure visits on Beekeeping proposal with a financial outlay of Rs.200.52 lakhs before the SLSC, NBHM, Telangana and the same was approved by SLSC duly recommending for forwarding the same to National Bee Board for consideration for the benefit of farmers, entrepreneur and officials of Telangana State.

### **Agenda item No.4**

10. The SLSC, NBHM, Telangana has noted the project proposals received from the following NGOs/FPCs/Societies:

1. Addagudur Farmers Producer Company Limited (FPC) for Yadadri Bhuvanagiri District,


2. MITHRA Foundation (NGO)for Komarambheem Asifabad district.
  3. Vajarala Satyanarayana reddy Educational Society for Nalgonda district,
  4. Sneha Youvajana Sangam (NGO) for Mancherial district
  5. Girijana Vikas Swatchanda Seva Samastha (NGO) for Badradri Kothagudem district.
11. The Chairman, SLSC, NBHM, Telangana has interacted with the Project Manager Addagudur Farmers Producer Company Limited (FPC), Yadadri Bhuvanagiri district and DGM, NABARD.
  12. Further, SLSC has suggested to scrutinize the above (5) proposals by the Standing Sub Steering Committee and requested to place feasible proposals before next SLSC for forwarding to the National Bee Board for consideration. As these are initial proposals in the State for Beekeeping activities and considering the time factor, the SLSC, NBHM, Telangana has taken decision to forward feasible project proposals to the NBB duly exempting from the District Level Committee approval.
  13. The SLSC has suggested to invite more proposals from the interested Beekeepers / Societies / NGOs for promotion of Beekeeping activities in the state.
  14. Further the SLSC has suggested to take clarification from the GoI for incorporation of following components under NBHM scheme which are basic needs.
    1. Supply of Bee Hives
    2. Supply of Honey bee colony
    3. Supply of equipment including honey extractor (4 frame), food grade container (30 kg), net, including complete set of Bee keeping equipment.

## Other Discussions:

15. The SLSC, NBHM, Telangana has noted the communication from GOI on designating the NAFED as implementing Agency for formation of Honey FPOs in two districts viz., Jayashanker Bhupalpally & Yadadri Bhuvanagiri districts. The Chairman, SLSC has suggested the Branch Manager, NAFED, Hyderabad to take due diligence in formation of FPOs.
16. The State Agriculture & Horticultural Universities were suggested to submit the suitable proposals to National Bee Board (NBB) for taking up of Research & Technology generation activities in the state for implementation of Beekeeping components under Mini Mission –III of National Beekeeping & Honey Mission (NBHM).
17. Women Entrepreneur Smt. K. Indira Reddy, MD, Rutika Innovations Pvt. Ltd., Ranga Reddy Dist. has shared her experiences on Beekeeping activities with the SLSC members.

  
31/7/2021  
Director of Horticulture &  
Member Secretary,  
SLSC, NBHM, Telangana

  
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APC & Secretary to Govt.,  
A&C Dept., & Chairman, SLSC,  
NBHM, Telangana State

  
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