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Subject: Minutes of Twenty Fifth meeting of the Empowered Monitoring Committee (EMC) of Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) held on 06th March, 2023 – regarding

The undersigned is directed to enclose herewith the minutes of the 25th meeting of Empowered Monitoring Committee of MIDH held under the Chairmanship of Dr. Abhilaksh Likhi, Additional Secretary, A&FW on 06th March, 2023 for kind information and necessary action.

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Minutes of the 25th meeting of Empowered Monitoring Committee (EMC) under Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) held on 06.03.2023.

Meeting/Video Conference of Empowered Monitoring Committee (EMC) of Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) was held under the Chairmanship of Dr. Abhilaksh Likhi, Additional Secretary (DA&FW) on 06.03.2023 to consider project proposals received from various State Governments/National Level Agency (NLA).

List of participants is annexed.

At the outset, Shri Priya Ranjan, Joint Secretary, Horticulture welcomed the Chairman, members of EMC and Officers of State Horticulture Missions. He gave a brief overview of various committees constituted under MIDH for sanction of projects and procedures of appraisal of project based proposals.

Thereafter, he informed that PAC in its meetings held on 17.02.2023 has considered a total of 6 projects comprising of 2 projects for Cold Storage Type – II with add-on components, 1 project for Food Processing units, 2 projects for Centre of Excellence and 1 revised project for seeking additional financial assistance of contractual manpower under NCPAH projects for PFDC 2022-23.

Based on the recommendations of SLEC, submission of requisite documents and clarifications as sought by MIDH Division and inputs of members of the Committee, PAC recommended all 6 projects.

Dr. Abhilaksh Likhi, Additional Secretary (DA&FW) and Chairman of EMC stressed that the State should appraise the components of project proposals as per the extant rules and regulations of MIDH guidelines and recommend the component-wise financial costing under the project proposals with justification. He suggested that a set timeline/milestone with target date of completion for each infrastructure project has to be prescribed.

Chairman emphasized that the Center of Excellence will ensure that the technologies demonstrated in the Center would be spread over the surrounding villages for better dissemination of technologies to the farmers.

Chairman desired that all the infrastructure project sanctioned under MIDH scheme should be Geo Tagged and shown in the political map of the country to visualize the state wise achievements in horticulture sector.

During the discussion, Joint Secretary, Horticulture informed that a Central JIT comprises of MIDH and State officials would be conducted before release of 2nd installment to the projects.

In addition to that, one more project proposal received from SHM, Goa for establishment of Centre of Excellence for Vegetable and Flower under Indo – Israel Agriculture Project was also discussed with the permission of the Chairman.

Based on the discussions and views expressed by members of EMC, decisions of EMC in respect of each proposal are as under: