

Proceedings of the 8th meeting of the Haryana Kisan Ayog held at Kisan Bhavan, Panchkula on 8 August, 2012 at 2.00 p.m.

The following were present:-

1. Dr.R.S.Paroda, Chairman, Haryana Kisan Ayog.
2. Mr. Roshan Lal, IAS, Principal Secretary, Agriculture.
3. Dr.K.S.Khokhar, Vice-Chancellor, CCS HAU.
4. Dr.R.S.Dalal, Member Secretary, Haryana Kisan Ayog.

At the outset, Dr. Paroda, Chairman welcomed the members. Mr. Roshan Lal briefed on various issues concerning Ayog. He informed that the proposal for establishment of an Agriculture Innovation Fund has been approved by the government. Further, the draft policy on agriculture submitted by the Ayog has been circulated to all concerned for comments and suggestions.

The agenda items were discussed in detail and the following decisions were taken:-

Item No 1: Confirmation of Minutes of 7th Meeting of Haryana Kisan Ayog

The minutes of the meeting were confirmed.

Item No 2: Action Taken Report on the decisions taken in the 7th meeting of the Haryana Kisan Ayog.

Noted with satisfaction. Under agenda item no. 6 of the 7th meeting it was decided to request the university (CCSHAU) to take up the renovation work of the Ayog premises on priority basis for which an advance of Rs. 9.18 lacs has been deposited with the university.

**Item No 3: Development of sustainable Land Use Plan for Haryana—
Study to be conducted by HARSAC.**

The proposal was approved as proposed, with total outlay of Rs. 50 lacs for a period of 18 months.

Item No 4: Status of Working Groups

The status and progress of the working groups was noted with satisfaction. It was decided to constitute three more expert working groups in the following areas:

- a) Women and Youth in Agriculture
- b) Agriculture Credit
- c) Agricultural Research and Education

Item No 5: Revision of remuneration of Consultants.

After detailed deliberations, it was decided to revise the fixed honorarium of Consultants to Rs. 40,000 per month w.e.f. August, 2012.

Item No 6: Payment of lodging and boarding charges for working group members

The proposal was approved as proposed.

Item No 7: Interface with Farmers

It was felt by all members that Division wise meetings again may not be useful. The Ayog may prepare a list of progressive and award winning farmers for consultations. Meetings may also be held sector wise viz. Rice cultivators, cotton growers, mushroom farmers, fish farmers, poultry farmers etc. besides periodic meetings with Kisan clubs.

Item No 8: Imprest amount

The proposal for increasing the imprest amount for Gurgaon office to Rs. 20,000 was approved, whereas for Hisar office, an imprest amount of Rs. 50,000 was approved to be maintained by the Member Secretary.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks.

Member Secretary