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Hotel Samrat, 6th Floor, New Delhi
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Minutes of meeting of the Project Screening Committee (PSC) meeting held on 23rd May, 2012 under Mahila Kisan Sashaktikaran Pariyojana (MKSP) and Special Project under SGSY.

I am directed to enclose the minutes of Project Screening Committee (PSC) meeting held on 23rd May, 2012 at 2.30 p.m under MKSP and Special Project under SGSY under the Chairmanship of Sh. T. Vijay Kumar, Joint Secretary (Rural Livelihood) in the Conference Room at Hotel Samrat, 6th Floor, New Delhi-21.

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4. The Principal Secretary, Department of Rural Development, Government of Gujarat.
5. The Principal Secretary, Department of Rural Development, Government of Madhya Pradesh.
6. The Principal Secretary, Department of Rural Development, Government of Andhra Pradesh.
7. The Principal Secretary, Department of Rural Development, Government of Jharkhand.
8. The Principal Secretary, Department of Rural Development, Government of Maharashtra.
9. The Principal Secretary, Department of Rural Development, Government of Himachal Pradesh.
10. The Principal Secretary, Department of Rural Development, Government of West Bengal.
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Minutes of Project Screening Committee (PSC) meeting under Mahila Kisan Sashaktikaran Pariyojana (MKSP) held under the Chairmanship of Sh. T. Vijay Kumar, JS (Rural Livelihoods) in the NRLM conference room in Hotel Samrat, New Delhi.

A meeting of Project Screening Committee under MKSP was held on 23rd May, 2012 at 2.30 pm under the Chairmanship of Sh. T. Vijay Kumar, JS (Rural Livelihoods) in the NRLM Conference Room at 6th Floor, Hotel Samrat, New Delhi. The list of participants may be seen at Annexure-I.

The committee considered following seven Agendas during the meeting:

Agenda No.1	Project Proposal Under Mahila Kisan Sashaktikaran Pariyojna (MKSP) for empowering women through sustainable livelihood activities under agriculture in districts Sabarkantha, Vadodara, Banaskantha, Narmada, Surat, Navsari, Dahod, and Dangs, Valsad of Gujarat by Gujarat Livelihood Promotion Company Ltd (GLPCL).
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The project proposal under MKSP for empowering women through sustainable livelihood activities under agriculture in districts of Gujarat was submitted by Gujarat Livelihood Promotion Co. Ltd. (A government of Gujarat Undertaking) which was subsequently revised. Accordingly the project area has been confined to 7 districts of Gujarat namely Narmada, Valsad, Patan & Kutchh, Navsari, Dahod, Vadodara, and Sabarkantha. The Cost components as per revised project are as under:-

Cost Details in rupees crores					
Beneficiary Contribution/ SHG Share	Horticulture Mission	MGNREGA	MoRD	State Government	Total Cost
0.25	7.54	5.39	62.18	20.73	96.09

The Committee noted that the Gujarat Livelihood Promotion Company Ltd. will implement the project in partnership with different NGOs.

The details of field implementation partners of Gujarat Livelihood Promotion Company Ltd. are as under:

Sl. No.	Name of the Project Implementing Agency	District and blocks covered		Field implementation partner
		District	Blocks	
1.	Gujarat Livelihood Promotion Company Ltd.	Dahod	Dahod, Garbada and Dhanpur	NM Sadguru Water & Development Foundation
2.	Gujarat Livelihood Promotion Company Ltd.	Narmada	Sagbara, Dediapada and Tilakwada	Aga Khan Rural Support Program, Ahmedabad
3.	Gujarat Livelihood Promotion Company Ltd.	Vadodara	Chhotaudepur and JetpurPavi	Shroff Foundation Trust and
4.	Gujarat Livelihood Promotion Company Ltd.	Kutch & Patan	Rapar, Bhachau and Santhalpur	Cohesion Foundation Trust
5.	Gujarat Livelihood Promotion Company Ltd.	Valsad	Dharampur and Kaparada	ANARDE Foundation Kaprada Women Wing, Hathikhana
6.	Gujarat Livelihood Promotion Company Ltd.	Sabarkanta	Talod, Modasa and Malpur	Viksat, Nehru Foundation for Development
7.	Gujarat Livelihood Promotion Company Ltd.	Navsari	Vansda and Chikhli	Lok Sewa Charitable Trust
8.	Gujarat Livelihood Promotion Company Ltd.	Vadodara	Kawant and Naswadi	Deepak Foundation

After discussions with PIA and Field Implementation Partners, the committee made the following observations:

1. The Committee observed that the cost/benefit ratio is very high. The PIA clarified that the ratio has been estimated on the basis of lower limit of possible benefits from the project activities. This doesn't take into account many other qualitative and indirect benefits from the proposed activities. The Committee, therefore, advised the PIA to work out the correct cost benefit ratios in respect of all districts/Field implementation partners.
2. The Committee suggested that PIA should focus on chemical free agriculture. PIA can also learn about the best practices from the experience of other States like Bihar and Andhra Pradesh.
3. The Committee advised that the PIA should leverage from other Schemes like RKVY for the creation of infrastructure for capacity building component under the proposed project. PIA should focus on Zero Budget Natural Farming.
4. The Committee observed that the PIA has adopted demonstration-plot approach which is input-centric and highly subsidized model. This approach is not sustainable and doesn't adhere to the framework of MKSP. The committee has advised PIA to focus on community-centric capacity building approach.
5. The Committee has advised the PIA to rework the detailed costing with greater emphasis on capacity building and post-project sustainability.

The Committee advised the PIA to modify and resubmit the proposal.

Agenda No.2	Project Proposal Under Mahila Kisan Sashaktikaran Pariyojna(MKSP)to empower the women in agriculture by making systematic investment to enhance their participation and productivity in Kangra district of Himachal Pradesh of Chinmaya Organization for Rural Development (CORD)
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The project proposal under MKSP has been submitted by the **Chinmaya Organization for Rural Development (CORD) for Kangra district of Himachal Pradesh**. The project period is 3 years. The cost components are as under:-

MoRD	PIA	Total cost
2.79	0.32	3.11

1. The Committee noted that the PIA has good experience in Community mobilization.
2. The Committee suggested that the management of project activities should rest with the Women SHGs.
3. The Committee also suggested that the PIA should also scale down their project size in the beginning. The successful project may be scaled up in future.
4. The committee has observed that the proposed cost per beneficiary is high. The PIA is advised to re-work the costs and propose a low-cost model on the principles of sustainability and scalability.

Based on above observations, the PIA was advised by the Committee to resubmit the project after modifications.

Agenda No.3	Project proposal on Non Timber Forest Produce (NTFP) based livelihoods under Mahila Kisan Sashaktikaran Pariyojana (MKSP) for the promotion of large scale Tasar based livelihood in Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, Odisha, Bihar, West Bengal, Andhra Pradesh and Maharashtra coordinated by Central Silk Board
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The following project proposals for the promotion of large scale Tasar based livelihood have been submitted by the Central Silk Board to be implemented by the agencies mentioned against each:

Name of the Project Implementing Agency	Coordinated by	Area covered	
		State	District
Professional Assistance for Development Action (PRADAN)	Central Silk Board	West Bengal	South Bankura, Paschim Medinipur
PRADAN	Central Silk Board	Odisha	Keonjhar
PRADAN	Central Silk Board	Chhattisgarh	Raigarh, Dhamtari, Kanker, Bilaspur, Sarguja, Bastar
PRADAN	Central Silk Board	Jharkhand	Godda, Pakur, Dumka, Saraikella, West Singhum, East Singhum, Deogarh
PRADAN	Central Silk Board	Bihar	Banka
Society for Elimination of Rural Poverty (SERP)	Central Silk Board	Andhra Pradesh	Adilabad, Warangal, Khammam, East Godavari
BAIF Development Research Foundation	Central Silk Board	Maharashtra	Gadchiroli, Gondia

The cost details are as under:

Name of the PIA	Area covered	Project cost (Rs in Lakhs)		
		Central share	CSB share	Total cost
PRADAN	South Bankura, PaschimMedinipur districts in West Bengal	400.848	133.545	617.652
PRADAN	Keonjhardistrict in Odisha	359.359	118.428	555.753
PRADAN	Raigarh, Dhamtari, Kanker, Bilaspur, Sarguja, Bastardistricts in Chhattisgarh	65	22.2	100.00
PRADAN	Godda, Pakur, Dumka, Saraikella, West Singhum, East Singhum, Deogarh districts in Jharkhand	1790.207	591.740	2770.664
PRADAN	Banka district in Bihar	673.273	219.305	1024.019
Society for Elimination of Rural Poverty (SERP)	Adilabad, Warangal, Khammam, East Godavari districts in Andhra Pradesh	784.040	262.668	1245.823
BAIF Development Research Foundation	Gadchiroli, Gondiadistricts in Maharashtra	762.774	250.069	1203.372

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The Committee was informed that the field visit by teams of experts has already been conducted to make a ground assessment of the projects. The Committee was also apprised about the observations of the experts after field assessment.

After the discussions, the Committee recommended the projects for consideration of the Project Approval Committee (PAC).