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NOTIFICATION

No. B.13011/11/2024-AGR, the 5th of September, 2024:

Pursuant to the decision of meeting of State Level Consultative Committee (SLCC) on Formation and Promotion of 10,000 Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs) held on 6th August, 2024 and in the interest of public service, the competent authority is pleased to constitute Multi-Sectoral Coordination and Working Group to focus on agriculture and rural development for implementation of effective system, facilitate key learnings and promote collaboration and convergence among various stakeholders comprising of the following members with immediate effect and until further orders.

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| 1) Special Secretary, Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Department | - Chairman |
| 2) General Manager/O-i-C, NABARD, Mizoram RO, Aizawl | - Member Secretary |
| 3) Principal Adviser-cum-Addl. Secretary,
Planning & Programme Implementation Department | - Member |
| 4) Director, Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Department | - Member |
| 5) Director, Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Department | - Member |
| 6) Director, Commerce and Industries Department | - Member |
| 7) Director, Fisheries Department | - Member |
| 8) Director, Horticulture Department | - Member |
| 9) Director, Land Resources, Soil & Water Conservation Department | - Member |
| 10) Director, Rural Development Department | - Member |
| 11) Registrar, Cooperative Societies | - Member |
| 12) Chief Executive Officer, MzSRLM | - Member |

Based on the meeting agenda, senior officers from Mizoram Rural Bank, Mizoram Cooperative Apex Bank, AGM-SBI-SLBC Coordinator, EF&CC, ZEDA, LESDE and other relevant officials may be invited as special invitees.

Terms of Reference/Roles and Responsibilities:

- Scheme Implementation Coordination:** The Working Group shall coordinate the effective implementation of all State and Central Government schemes as well as schemes and funds under NABARD, ensuring they achieve the desired impact at the grassroot level.
- Policy Advocacy and Feedback:** The Working Group will provide policy advocacy, suggestions, and feedback to the State's Planning Board, the Mizoram State Policy Coordination Committee, the State Level Bankers' Committee and other relevant bodies.
- Addressing Issues and Challenges:** The Working Group will address issues and challenges in the

development of the farm and off-farm sectors, facilitating collaboration and coordination among stakeholders.

- 4) **Sectoral Engagement and Analysis:** The Working Group will actively engage with various sectors, analyzing sectoral issues to ensure that key learnings and necessary actions are carried forward following detailed analysis and discussion.
- 5) **Engagement with Innovators and Stakeholders:** Agri-start-ups, individual innovators, community-based NGOs, entrepreneurs in the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) sector and FPOs may be invited to present their initiatives to the Working Group. The Group will discuss and address required interventions and issues.
- 6) **Sectoral Expert Presentations:** Sectoral experts from KVK, ICAR, SAMETI and Industry associations in the MSME sector as well as agri-marketing federations, may be invited to present on sectoral issues within the State.
- 7) **Integration with Regional Advisory Committees:** Important matters deliberated in the Regional Advisory Committees (RAC) for the farm and off-farm sectors convened by NABARD shall be presented to the Multi-Sectoral Working Group.
- 8) **New Schemes and Policies:** New schemes and policies in agriculture and rural development, formulated by the State Government, Central Government, and NABARD, may be presented to the Working Group for discussion, exploring areas for collaboration and convergence.
- 9) **Sectoral Studies:** The Working Group may undertake quick studies of sectoral issues by forming joint study groups as needed.
- 10) **District-specific Issues:** For District-specific issues requiring planning, coordination and intervention by the District Administration, the Working Group may provide advice to the District Planning Committee (DPC) of the respective district.

Ramdinliani,

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