

Proceedings of 1st meeting of the Project Technical Cell (PTC) KWDP-II (Sujala-III) Project held on 28.10.2014 under the Chairmanship of Project Director & Commissioner, Watershed Development Department, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore.

Presided by Sri. H.G. Shivananda Murthy., I.F.S., Project Director and Commissioner KWDP-II (Sujala-III) project, WDD & Chairman of the PTC.

Members Present:

Sl. No	Name of the Member	Designation & Organization
1	Sri. Jayanarsimha Raj., I.F.S.,	Executive Director & Chief Conservator of Forest & Member Secretary, PTC.
2	Dr. Rajendra Hegde	Lead Scientist, NBSS&LUP, Hebbal, Bangalore
3	Dr. B.P. Lakshmikanth	Scientist, Karnataka State Remote Sensing Applications Centre (KSRSAC).
4	Dr. V.R. Ramakrishna Parama	Lead Scientist, Prof. and Head, Dept. of Soil Science, University of Agriculture Sciences, GKVK, B'lore
5	Dr. P.L. Patil	Lead Scientist, Prof. and Head, Dept. of Soil Science, University of Agriculture Sciences, Dharwad.
6	Dr. V. Satishkumar	Lead Scientist, Prof. and Head, Dept. of Soil Science, University of Agriculture Sciences, Raichur.
7	Dr. Praveenkumar. B. Naikodi	Lead Scientist, University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot.
8	Dr. A. Raizada	Principal Scientist & Head, ICAR – CSWRTI, Bellary
9	Dr. Hrithik Biswas	Senior Scientist - ICAR – CSWRTI, Bellary
10	Dr. Nanda S.	Project Coordinator & Joint Director, Dept. of Horticulture, Lalbagh
11	Sri. Gangappa N.	Joint Director of Agriculture (Soil Conservation) WDD.
12	Dr. Sreeramachandra Murthy	Joint Director (Livestock), WDD.
13	Mahantesh Hanji	Assistant Director of Horticulture, WDD.
14	Dr. B. Shivaraju	Consultant (Environment), WDD.
15	Dr. A. Natarajan	Consultant (Soil Science)
16	Dr. R. N. Hegde	Consultant (Documentation), WDD.
17	Dr. Kumar C.	Hydrogeologist, WDD

The Executive Director & Chief Conservator of Forest & Member Secretary, PTC., Watershed Development Department, KWDP-II (Sujala-III) welcomed the Chairman and the members for the Project Technical Cell (PTC) for the meeting. It was brought to the notice of all the members that PTC is vested with the powers as outlined in the Go. No. AGD/164/AML/2011 dated: 21.08.2013. After that he placed the agenda subject before the committee for discussion and decision.

Agenda No: 1	Discussion on Road map and Pert Chart of the activities of the project.
	The project partners were requested to submit the Pert Chart of the critical activities that is undertaken in the project for 2014-15 and for the entire project period. The proforma was circulated among all the project partners. The project partners are requested to submit by 30 th November, 2014.

Agenda No: 2	Finalize the Research Proposal cleared by REC for onward submission to PPMU
	<p>It was brought to the notice of the committee that 16 project proposals have been finalized by the REC was kept before the PPMU for approval. The PPMU has approved four project proposals. The details are as follows.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Evaluation of genetically formed tilapia (Gift) in Watersheds of Yadagir District by Dr.N.Shivashankar, UAS Raichur for Rs.18.99 lakhs. b) Establishing Value Chains from unused farm by-products/waste through Briquette Technology in Gadag and Koppal Districts by Dr.N.R.MamaleDesai for Rs 19.98 lakhs. c) It was decided by the committee that the proposal for development of short duration Ragi Varieties for Karnataka State by Dr.Shailaja Hithalamani, UAS, Bangalore should be linked to the proposal on GAB submitted by ICRISAT and re-cast the cost of the project in consultation with the ICRISAT Scientists. d) Genomics Assisted Breeding for high yielding and climate Resilient Pigeon pea varieties/ hybrids and Promotion of Best Suitable Cultivars for food and nutritional security of Karnataka State Submitted by ICRISAT Hyderabad for Rs 221.01 lakhs. This was discussed and approved with a suggestion to reduce the cost of the research project. The chairman suggested to reduce the project cost appropriately. e) Research proposals can be submitted by project partners and other organizations as per the objective of the project. The project proposal has to focus on the integrated Land Scape Management & Agriculture Intensification, Strengthening of Agriculture Value Chain, Climate Smart Agriculture Adaptation & Mitigation and Hydrological Assessment and Monitoring.


Agenda No: 3	Discussion on the Establishment of Working Linkages with Project Partners, NGO's
	It was agreed by all the project partners that establishment of working linkages is necessary for successful implementation of the project. Regarding Land Resource Inventory NBSS&LUP should coordinate with all the project partners. Regarding Hydrological Assessment, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore has to coordinate with the project partners. Watershed Development Department has to coordinate with all project partners for procurement of goods to the project. The project partner has to work in coordination with the District Joint Director of Agriculture of the project districts. It was informed to all the project partners that the Watershed Development Department and Agriculture Department are merged which will come in to effect from 01.11.2014 at district level.

Agenda No.4	Review the implementation & progress of the various task of the project partners as per ToR.
	The committee reviewed the implementation and progress of the project partners as per ToR. The Land Resource Inventory Work to be taken up by all the project partners immediately after the harvest of the standing crops. Soils samples to be collected for the estimation of the fertility status for major and micro nutrients. The Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore has to train all the project partners in Hydrological Assessment and Procurement and installation of the equipment needed for the Hydrological studies. Watershed Development Department has to take steps to procure Telemetric Rain Gauges and KSNDCM shall prepare plans for the establishing weather stations and monitoring of the weather parameters

Agenda No: 5	Discussion on Monitoring, Evaluation and Reporting system for the project.
	It was decided that the land inventory work to be monitored both by NBSS&LUP and WDD. The modalities to be worked out for monitoring of the project. The Hydrological studies to be monitored by IISc, Bangalore, NBSS&LUP and WDD. The team of the WDD at head office and staff at district have to monitor the project. All the project partners have to submit the progress (Physical & Financial) of the project every month. The members are requested to submit the report of expenditure incurred under the project in the IUFRR (1-8) formats. The account officers dealing with Sujala-III project of the partner institutions have to be sent for the training to be conducted at WDD and the names of the officers to be sent should be submitted immediately to the WDD. The members requested to invite the Joint Directors of Agriculture of the project districts for the KWDP-II (Sujala-III) project review meetings.

Agenda No: 6	Annual Procurement Plan.
	All the project partners are requested to submit annual procurement plan for 2014-15 immediately and also to give the specification for the procurement of equipments costing more than 60 lakhs. The quality material has to be purchased for equipping the labs by the project partners.
Agenda No: 7	Discussion on Organizing Workshops, Seminars and Exposure visits etc.
	The project partners were requested to submit the list and probable month of conducting the workshops and seminars and probable expenditure for these. Regarding exposure visit at National and International level the partners institutions scientist will also be involved.
Agenda No: 8	Discussion on Publicity, Documentation and Publication under the project
	The Documentation specialist of WDD explained the need for documentation and publication of the project success stories. All the partners are instructed to document the activities undertaken in the project and submit to WDD regularly.
Agenda No: 9	Any other issues with the permission of the chair.
	Dr. A. Raizada, Principal Scientist & Head, Central Soil and Water Institute Training Institute (ICAR -CSWRTI), Bellary, informed that the institute will involve in the project implementation and guide the project partners regarding soil and moisture conservation. The Commissioner and Chairman of PTC welcomed the suggestion and requested them to participate for the effective implementation of the project through research activity.

The meeting concluded with vote of thanks to the Chair.


 Chairman of the PTC &
 Project Director & Commissioner,
 KWDP-II (Sujala-III) Project,
 Watershed Development Department,
 Bangalore.