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GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA

**AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT**

RESOLUTION

The 22nd December 2014

SUBJECT —Increasing the area under Rubber and Coffee Plantations in the State of Odisha

In order to increase the area under Rubber and Coffee Plantations in the State of Odisha, after careful consideration Government have been pleased to decide the following :—

**Rubber Plantation :**

1. S.T. & S.C. Development Department is the Nodal Agency for Rubber Plantation in the TSP Areas of the State. Rubber Plantation is to be done by S.T. & S.C. Development Department limiting to TSP Areas. The programme could be administratively operated through ITDAs and implemented in convergency with scheme like MGNREGS.

2. Perspective Plan for five districts namely, Mayurbhanj, Gajapati, Koraput, Malkangiri & Rayagada identified at this stage for Rubber Plantation Programme, will be prepared by the respective ITDAs in consultation with the officials of Horticulture Department of the State. Preference should be given to cover marginal lands for Rubber Plantation.

3. Directorate of Horticulture shall provide technical support and trained manpower for implementing the Rubber Plantation. The Training and Capacity Building needs for farmers shall be provided by the Directorate of Horticulture.

4. The quality planting materials required for Rubber Plantation Programme will be supplied by the Directorate of Horticulture. Nurseries shall be developed by the Directorate of Horticulture for supply of quality planting materials for Rubber Plantation. In the first phase one nursery each at Malkangiri, Koraput & Rayagada shall be established.

5. Strategy for Post-Harvest Management and Market Linkage shall be developed in consultation with the Rubber Board.

**Coffee Plantation :**

1. The Administrative control in respect of Coffee Plantations is vested with the Director, Soil Conservation at the State Level for smooth management of the programme.

2. Area under Coffee Plantations should be expanded both in tribal and non-tribal sectors in six districts i.e. Koraput, Rayagada, Kalahandi, Khandhamal, Keonjhar and Gajapati spreading over 18 suitable Blocks such as Koraput, Semiliguda, Nandapur, Pottangi, Dasmanthpur, Lamtaput, Kashipur, Bissam-Cuttack, Thuamul-Rampur, Raikia, Tikabali, Daringibadi, G. Udayagiri, Phriangia, Nuagaon, Keonjhar and R. Udayagiri with technical support from skilled Soil Conservation, Agriculture, Horticulture and Coffee Board personnel.

3. Dedicated field staff should be posted under Deputy Director (Coffee Development), Koraput for effective management of field works. The Headquarters of Assistant Director, Coffee, Rayagada is re-fixed at Kashipur for administrative convenience.

4. Capacity building of different stakeholders will be taken up regularly by Directorate of Soil Conservation and Coffee Board.

5. Based on the Annual Work Plan and approved budget of the respective ITDAs funds will be released for the Coffee Plantation Programme in due time. Besides, funds out of MGNREGS shall also be made available in time for expansion and revival of Coffee Plantations.

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ORDER—Ordered that this Resolution be published in an extraordinary issue of the *Odisha Gazette*.

By order of the Governor  
MARY LAKRA  
Joint Secretary to Government