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Minutes of the Meeting of Grants-in-Aid Committee for Greening India Scheme of NAEB, was held under the Chairmanship of Shri K.B. Thampi, IGF(NAEB) on 1st November, 2007 for consideration of Project proposals received from North Eastern States and Rest of Indian States for Financial Assistance during 2007-08 for Tree Planting, Establishment of High-Tech & Satellite Nurseries and Awareness Raising Activities.

The meeting of the Grants-in-Aid Committee for Greening India Scheme to consider the project proposal recommended by PCCFs from various implementation agencies of North Eastern States and Rest of India, for financial Assistance during 2007-08, for Tree Planting, Establishment of Hi-Tech & Satellite Nurseries and Awareness Raising Activities was held in the chamber of IGF (NAEB) **at 11.00 A.M. on 01.11.2007**.

The meeting was chaired by the IGF (NAEB) and the following members of the Committee have attended the meeting:-

(i) IGF (NAEB) – Chairman
(ii) DIGF (NAEB)- Member Secretary
(iii) Director, EE-Division, MoEF.
(iv) Deputy Secretary, Forest Finance(NAEB)
(v) Dr. Koildhasan Manoharan, Director, Global Society, Centre for Environment and Social Welfare, 1024 Thevaram Palace Building, near Bus Stand, Theni-625531, Tamil Nadu.

2. The Committee was informed about the budgetary outlay both for the N.E. States and R.O.I. After assessing the requirements of funds for the on-going projects, the availability of funds for new projects during 2007-08 was considered by the Committee

Total number of 410 proposals received are as tabled below:-

Sl. No.	State	Total Proposals	Tree Plantation	Hi-Tech Nurseries	Satellite Nurseries	Awarenes s
1	Andhra Pradesh	8	8	0	0	-
2	Assam	26	24	0	1	-
3	Arunachal Pradesh	23	23	0		-
4	Chhattisgarh	1	1	0		-
5	Gujarat	26	20	6		-
6	J & K	23	23	0		-
7	Jharkhand	1	1	0		-
8	Mahdya Pradesh	73	36	34		3
9	Maharashtra	12	0	12		-

10	Manipur	48	41	0	7	-
11	Meghalaya	20	20	0		-
12	Mizoram	13	13	0		-
13	Nagaland	34	34	0		-
14	Orissa	16	13	2		-
15	Rajasthan	21	19	2		-
16	Uttar Pradesh	20	18	2		-
17	Uttarakhand	17	14	0		-
18	Karnataka	21	13	6	2	-
19	Kerala	6	5	1		
20	Tripura	1	1	0		-
	TOTAL	**410**	**327**	**65**	**10**	**3**

Sixty five proposals for Hi-Tech nursery, 10 for Satellite nursery 3 for awareness and 327 proposals for tree plantation had been received. Five proposals were not found enclosed. Out of **327** proposals received for Tree Plantation in respect of ROI and NE States, **277** proposals were processed on the basis of priority list received from the State Forest Departments and were placed before the GIA Committee. The Tree Planting proposals include **15** proposals from SFD's, Army, Village Forest Committees, Gram Panchayats, etc. The Committee deliberated over the principle, and decided that the proposals may be considered in the following order of priority, given the constraint of fund availability:-

Hi-Tech Nurseries → Awareness Generation → Tree Planting by Indian Army/ Railways/State University/Gram Panchayts etc. → Tree Planting by Voluntary Agencies (VAs).

3. Further, where district wise priority has been indicated for the proposals instead of State priority, the forest cover of the district was kept in view while recommending the proposals for afforestation.

4. The Grants-in-Aid Committee was of the opinion that the voluntary agencies(VAs) must submit an undertaking to the effect that they have not received/proposed to receive financial assistance from other sources for the same project, before actual release of fund.

5. The financial assistance as far as possible may be released to the voluntary agencies through ECS, if possible.

6. It was observed that a large number of document mentioned in the checklist have not been provided in some of the proposals. The Committee examined this matter and decided that the following documents would be considered necessary for recommending the cases by the Grants-in-Aid Committee:-

(a) Attested copies of the Registration Certificate and Memorandum of Association
(b) Audited Statement of last 3 years.
(c) Status and details of land.
(d) Location map
(e) Pre appraisal report by an officer not below the rank of DFO/ACF.

(f) Bank Accounts.
(g) Certificate with Photograph duly attested by Gazetted Officer (Part-II of the Form).

7. It has been recommended by the Grants-in-Aid Committee that before the release of the 2nd Installment, the Voluntary Agency will submit the map of the project area duly countersigned by the concerned forest officer. The remaining papers, as per checklist, will have to be submitted before the second installment is released. All these papers should be routed through the concerned DFO/ACF/Range Officer.

7. The name of VA's whose cases have been recommended must be cross-checked with the list of black listed VA's maintained in this Ministry. The Committee also suggested that Voluntary Agencies who are completing their Project Proposals during the current Financial year may not be considered during the same Financial Year.

8. The following proposals relating to **High-Tech/Satellite Nurseries and Awareness Generation** received from the State Forest Departments were put up before the committee for their consideration and recommended as under :

S.N	State	Organisation	Category	Remarks
Gujarat				
1		DFO, Himmatnagar	High Tech	1 RECOMEENDED
2		DFO, Extension Division Kachchh-Bhuj	High-Tech	1 RECOMEENDED
3		DCF, Social Forestry Division, Bharuch	High-Tech	1 RECOMEENDED
4		DCF, Social Forestry Division, Surendranagar	High-Tech	1 RECOMEENDED
5		DCF, Social Forestry Division, Dahod	High-Tech	1 RECOMEENDED
			TOTAL	**5 RECOMEENDED**
Karnataka				
6		Chief Conservator of Forests, Research & Utilisation, Bangalore	High-Tech	1RECOMEENDED
7		DCF, Social Forestry Division, Tumkur	High-Tech	1RECOMEENDED
8		DCF, Social Forestry Division, Davangere	High-Tech	1RECOMEENDED
9		DCF, Kundapur Territorial Division, Kundapur	High-Tech	3 RECOMEENDED
10		DCF, Social Forestry Division, Chitradurga	High-Tech	1 RECOMEENDED
			TOTAL	**7 RECOMEENDED**

Madhya Pradesh				
11		CF, Research & Extension Circle, Indore	High-Tech	1 RECOMEENDED
12		ACF, Research & Extension Circle, Khandwa	High-Tech	1 RECOMEENDED
13		CF, Research & Extension Circle, Sagar	High-Tech	1 RECOMEENDED
14		CF, Research & Extension Circle, Rewa	High-Tech	1 RECOMEENDED
15		CF, Research & Extension Circle, Jabalpur	High-Tech	1 RECOMEENDED
16		CF, Research and Extension Circle, Jabalpur	Awareness	1 RECOMMENDED
			TOTAL	**6 RECOMEENDED**
Maharashtra				
17		Deputy Director, Social Forestry Division, Gadchiroli	High-Tech	1 RECOMEENDED
18		Deputy Director, Social Forestry Division, Beed	High-Tech	1 RECOMEENDED
19		Deputy Director, Social Forestry Division, Nashik	High-Tech	1 RECOMEENDED
20		Deputy Director, Social Forestry Division, Osmanabad	High-Tech	1 RECOMEENDED
21		Deputy Director, Social Forestry Division, Jalgaon	High-Tech	1 RECOMEENDED
			TOTAL	**5 RECOMMENDED**
Uttar Pradesh				
22		Forest Development Agency, Basti	High-Tech	1 RECOMEENDED
23		Forest Development Agency, Siddharthnagar	High-Tech	1 RECOMEENDED
			TOTAL	**2 RECOMMEDED**

9. The following proposals relating to **State Forest Departments/Village Forest Committees/Panchayats/Autonomous Bodies/Indian Army/Gram Panchayats etc for Tree Planting** were put up before the committee for their consideration and recommended as under:-.

S. N	State	Organisation	Categogy	Remarks
Gujarat				
1		ACF, Panam Irrigated Plantation Division, Gujarat State Forest Dev. Corpn.	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
Karnataka				
2		DCF, Social Forestry Division, Tumkur	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
3		DCF, Social Forestry Division, Davangere	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
4		DCF, Social Forestry Division, Chitradurga	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
5		DCF, Social Forestry Division, Gulbarga	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
6		DCF, Social Forestry Division, Mangalore	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
7		DCF, Social Forestry Division, Bijapur	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
8		DCF, Social Forestry Division, Kolar	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
9		DC, Social Forestry Division, Koppal	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
Rajasthan				
10		Gram Panchayat Hansasar, Jhunjhunu	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
11		Gram Panchayat Pata, Alwar	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
12		Gram Panchayat Amarwar	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
Uttarakhand				
13		Garhwal Rifles Regimental Centre, Lansdwne	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED

10. The following processed proposals relating to **tree planting by <u>Voluntary Agencies</u> in respect of Rest of India** were put up before the committee for their consideration and recommended as under:-

Sl. No.	State	Organisation	Category	Remarks
Andhra Pradesh				
1		Indira Priya Darsini Women's Welfare Association, Door No-11-88, Nethaji Road Jadcherla, Mahabubnagar.	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED

2		Council for Rural Enlightement, Arikiliavandlapalli Village, Egavuru post, Chinnagottigallu Mandal, Chittoor District.	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
Gujarat				
3		Vikas Education Trust, Gandhinagar	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
4		Pragati Khadi Gramodhyog Trust, Panchmahal	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
Jammu & Kashmir				
5		Kargil Rural Development Project, Kargee	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
6		District Children Voluntary Welfare Association, Chaksore	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
Madhya Pradesh				
7		Shrimati Indira Mahila Mandal, Datia	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
8		Suman Rani Shiksha Prasar Samiti, Muraina	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
Orissa				
9		Society for Rural Integrated and Youth Association (SRIYA)	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
Uttarakhand				
10		Devi Gramodyog Sewa Sansthan	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
11		Paridhi Sewa Sansthan, Indra Colony, Gali No.2 Rudrapur, Udhamsingh Nagar	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED The proposal forwarded was misplaced and same will be obtained from PCCF's office and placed before the chairman for his approval.
Uttar Pradesh				
12		Dailt Uthan Rashtriya Girls Vidhyalaya Samiti, Gram Himunpur, Post-Firozabad Distt.Firozabad	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED

13		Pallawi Gramothan Sewa Sasthan, Semari Jamalpur, Distt-Mau-275307	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED

11. The following processed proposals relating to **<u>tree planting by Voluntary Agencies</u> in respect of North Eastern States** were put up before the committee for their consideration and recommended as under:-

Sl. No.	State	Organisation	Category	Remarks
Arunachal Pradesh				
1		Gensu Women Welfare Society, East Siang District	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
Assam				
2		Kamakhya Debutter Board, Kamrup Kamakhya Temple, P.O. Kamakhya, Guwahati-781010,Assam	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
3		Manab Sarathi, Guwahati	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
4		Samarpan A Rural Development Society, Gandhi Nagar, Lawkhuwa Road (Haibargoan) P.O. Nagaon-782001	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
Manipur				
		Highland Welfare Association, Keithelmanbi Military Colony P.O. Kalapahar-795122, Sadar Hills, Manipur	Tree-Planting	RECOMMENDED
Meghalaya				
6		Nongkrem Youth Development Association, Nongkren, P.O. Nongkren, Shillong-15 East Khasi Hills.	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
Mizoram				
7		M&S Fratemity Society Serchhip, Mizoram	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
8		Tribal Development Foundation, Aizawl Mizoram	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED
Nagaland				
9		Bethel Welfare Society, Changtongya,	Tree Planting	RECOMMENDED (Proposal will be placed before the Chairman for approval after obtaining the documents from State Govt.)
10		Creepers Club, Phishumi V.K. Town Zunheboto		RECOMMENDED

The Chair thanked all the member for their active participation in the meeting.

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