

**Proceedings of the 52nd Technical Committee Meeting of
Karnataka Evaluation Authority held on 01-12-2021 and 06-12-2021**

The Chief Evaluation Officer, KEA and Member Secretary of the Technical Committee welcomed the Chairperson and members of the Technical Committee (The list of Members present enclosed).

The agenda items that were discussed and decisions taken thereon are as follows:

Draft Evaluation Reports:

Sl. No.	Agenda Item	Decisions Taken
1	<p>Evaluation of Pashubhagya scheme of Department of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services</p> <p>Department: Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services</p> <p>Consultant Organization: M/s.The Energy and Resource Institute (TERI)</p>	<p>The report is deferred and to be revised & resubmitted incorporating the following comments along with the detailed compliance report, incorporating following suggestions/comments:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Elaborate the reasons for low repayment in general category except piggery and reasons for variations in repayment of loan 2. Mention the contribution livestock to the total income across categories and women empowerment 3. Update the report with latest issues and data 4. Link the policy changes overtime to the program implementation and outcomes. 5. Give the contribution of the activities of the scheme to the farmer's income & for the achievement of the scheme to SDG Goal -1 of Poverty alleviation 6. Mention about feasibility of convergence with RKVY, MGNREGA and other Department programs & add in recommendations. 7. Avoid inconsistency/contradictions in the results and discussion, findings, and recommendations sections. 8. Report is voluminous and hence significant editing required in terms of language to remove irrelevant information. 9. Make recommendations more specific and as action points based on field evidence.

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2	<p>Concurrent Monitoring and Evaluation of Agriculture Technology Management Agency (ATMA) Scheme in Karnataka State during 2018-19</p> <p>Department: Agriculture</p> <p>Consultant Organization: Centre for Symbiosis of Technology Environment and Management (STEM)</p>	<p>The report is approved subject to the submission of the revised report along with the compliance report, incorporating following suggestions/comments:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Quantify the outcomes of the meetings of ATMA committees and impact of the meetings along with the percentage of members not attending the committee meetings based on field evidence and non-participation of SC/ST and women beneficiaries in percentages by districts/taluks. 2. Mention the possibility of convergence of the scheme with other department schemes and involvement of FPOs, NGOs and SHGs and SC/STs in the report and recommendations. 3. Analyze activity wise correlations with impact indicators for identifying core activities. 4. Provide best practices which have the potential of scalability 5. Identify the reasons for low participation of NGO's and their registration in DARPAN Portal 6. Policy recommendations should be specific and must emanate from the results and discussion: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i) Prioritization of 4-5 key activities having impact on the productivity and income ii) Interaction between stakeholder specifically, farmers with scientists. & capacity of absorption of techniques. iii) Special attention to be given while preparing the action plan by giving emphasis on low-productivity, value addition and gross value added of agricultural workers, over exploited blocks and so on. This should be done in 398 critical GPs identified in sDG-2 analytics. iv) Proposing a sustainable ATMA model including actors, interactions and action situations, aiming for sustainable development of agriculture. v) ATMA implementation with special emphasis on promoting region specific technologies and IFS models. vi) Tying with KVKs, RSKs and Agri start ups for effective outcomes.

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3	<p>Human Elephant conflict- the mitigation methods employed and its impact on conflict resolution (Covering issues like reasons for conflict, effectiveness of barrier, conflict spots, ex-gratia payments, spatial and temporal dispersal) of Karnataka Forest Department</p> <p>Department: Forest</p> <p>Consultant Organization: Technical Consultancy Services Organization of Karnataka (TECSOK)</p>	<p>The report is approved subject to the submission of the revised report along with the compliance report, incorporating following suggestions/comments:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Inclusion of cost-benefit analysis for assessing the effectiveness of individual (traditional and modern), combinations and collective measures (eg. Solar, EPT, stone rubble, rail, natural fences, etc) . Direct and Indirect costs and benefit and fixed and variable costs to be considered while estimation of benefits per rupee of costs in general and solar in particular. 2. Inclusion of information regarding Tamil Nadu's latest mitigation measure (steel fence + pillar) and technical and economic feasibility of its implementation in Karnataka. 3. Using the micro level estimates (sample) to estimating the macro level picture at the state level (micro level estimates for macro level changes). 4. Include the information on the Wild Eye and its application by the KFD as a complementary measure 5. Incorporating the feedbacks/suggestions of the KFD through discussion of the findings and recommendations 6. Feasibility of repellent crops vs barricades. 7. Specific recommendations to be considered for inclusion with elaboration: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Restoration of the natural habitation in the forest area by utilizing the Budget of KFD and MGNREGA (ii) Eradication of invasive species like parthenium, lantanas and so on, which is affecting the forest ecosystem and habitat. (iii) Indicating the hot spots of conflicts and specific measures to mitigate Human-Elephant conflicts (iv) Community Participatory approach & scaling feasibility. (v) Offering recommendations for sustainability of mitigation measures, individual, collective and so on.

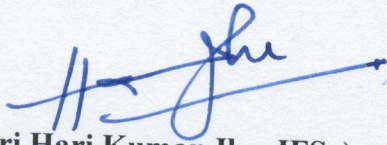
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4	<p>Evaluation of Pattern of Utilization of Loan availed by Self Help Groups at Concessional Rates from Co-operative Institutions and its Impact on Employment Income of the members and Attainment of targets in SDG Goal -5</p> <p>Department: Co-Operation and Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd.</p> <p>Consultant Organization: M/s. Hyderabad Karnataka for Advanced Learning, Kalaburagi</p>	<p>The report is approved subject to the submission of the revised report along with the compliance report incorporating following suggestions/comments:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Necessary corrections & Interpretations of tables in the report 2. Avoid the unnecessary demographic details which are not required as per ToR 3. Data collection and sampling to elaborated specifically procedure for selection of the control group and its analysis in a comparative framework. 4. Include detailed objective-wise explanation on the impact evaluation methodology used for achieving the set objectives of evaluation. 5. Specific impacts of the intervention on employment and SDG5 6. Indicate the convergence options specifically, with National Livelihood Mission linking with capacity building as well. 7. Specific recommendations to be included substantiated with facts/figures emerged from the results discussion section 8. Quality of the report to be improved with restructuring and logical flow.
5	<p>Evaluation of Karnataka State Police Housing Corporation</p> <p>Department: Karnataka State Police Housing Corporation & Home Department</p> <p>Consultant Organization: M/s Centre for Sustainable Development Society</p>	<p>The report is approved subject to the submission of the revised report along with the compliance report, incorporating following suggestions/comments:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In Table 13 & 14 give percentage values of profit and expenditure and break down of interest income & clarifications to be sought from the KSPHC whether profit from deposits are not part of the net profit. 2. Profit on fixed and variable components to be included. Include suggestions by the Department. 3. Include analytics before and after effect of RERA guidelines. 4. Include some of the CSR projects taken by corporations from other states and best practices, and its adoption in Karnataka. 5. Best practices of other states. 6. Provide recommendations regarding: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i) Use of Quality Control Tools for quality check

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		ii) Conducting meeting regularly (eg. once in a month with police department) to identify and meet requirements of Police housing. iii) Time bound allotment process of houses and priority to lady police officers in allotment. iv) SPV for maintenance.
6	Evaluation of Karnataka State Road Transport Corporations (KSRTC, NWKRTC & NEKRTC) from 2014-15 to 2019-20 Department: Transport Consultant Organization: M/s Athena Infonomics India Pvt Ltd.	The report is approved subject to the submission of the revised report along with the compliance report, incorporating following suggestions/comments: i) Include prediction analysis and fuel efficiency vs norms. ii) Explain reasons for dissatisfaction with category wise data & include specifics in recommendations. iii) Make comparative analysis of private bus agencies with govt sector and provide reasons for better performance of private sector buses iv) Suggest Best Practices comparing with other southern states Provide specific recommendations regarding - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Installing digital equipment in the buses to track the locations in PPP mode. • Inclusion of smaller feeder fleets connected to railway stations. • Introduction of ERP and IT solutions for reducing cost and better services. • For better rail-road coordination ensure small feeder fleets and connectivity. • Incentivize for reducing fuel cost. • Asset monetization for increasing revenue. • Joint planning of routes by government and private bus operators, aiming at cost effectiveness and last mile connectivity.
7	Evaluation of National Horticulture Mission (NHM) in Karnataka Department: Horticulture	The report is approved subject to the submission of the revised report along with the compliance report, incorporating following suggestions/comments: 1. Include comparative economic analysis for organic farming and other modes of farming

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	<p>Consultant Organization: The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Cost benefit analysis for high capital investments like mechanization and green house and polyhouses vis.a.vis the small components having significant impact on productivity & income, considering both physical and financial aspects. 3. Quantify and include the value addition from byproducts. Quantify the value chain of Beekeeping. 4. NHM is an end to end and holistic approach and hence, value chain to be included for many of the major interventions 5. Provide models (National or global) for sustainable marketing platform & post-harvest processing 6. Role of FPOs and its impacts to be included. 7. Include Supply-demand analysis by considering the comparative advantages and financial requirement. 8. Elaborate on convergence and collective investments/efforts 9. Recommendations to be specific and substantiated with suitable facts and figures with suitable explanation: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i) Targeted Cluster approach for agro processing and value addition- individual and collectives based on One District one product approach ii) Proposing local area approach for training at village/GP level iii) Convergence with other department programmes with suitable analysis iv) Feasibility of high investment components for collectives and not individuals so that a greater number of beneficiaries could be covered, promoting collective investments (eg. Green houses, poly houses, post-harvest infrastructure, etc) .& covering other low cost components for a larger number of farmers. v) High capital equipment and machinery to be promoted under CHCs programme of the agriculture department. vi) Offer suggestions for sustainability of interventions in addition to equity and efficiency (Eg. service centres for maintenance of machinery)

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		<p>vii) Proposing the variable subsidy structure (eg. Small & marginal have to get more than the medium and large farmers)</p> <p>viii) Identify the agro-climatic zone wise barren land and suggest suitable horticulture crops and low cost technologies for cultivation- seed womb etc.</p> <p>ix) Propose integrated marketing and global branding for horticultural produce.</p> <p>x) Suggest for gradually phasing out subsidies on chemical fertilizers and promoting organic agriculture and natural farming through incentive and disincentive mechanisms.</p> <p>xi) Promoting the nurseries through capacity building of rural youths for producing quality planting materials, thereby, paving way for meeting local demand locally.</p>

The Meeting ended with vote of thanks.



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