

REPORT ON FIELD VISIT

Day 1 -19/10/2017

I visited Kasargod District . The main purpose of the visit was to discuss the Coir Project, ME progress and discussion in Padanana Panchyath regarding Molluscs Value Addition Project(Coastal Project). Meeting was conducted with Kudumbashree Members of Padanna Panchayth and another meeting was conducted with the President of the Panchayath for getting a building for starting Common Facility Center. Also visited Blossom Tailoring unit. The unit has 5 members and is doing DDUGKY Uniform Work. Regarding Coir Project Discussions were conducted with CDS and Panchyath Committee for getting space and building for Coir Project.



Day 2- 20/10/17

I visited Kozhikode District . Interacted with DMC regarding the various innovative ME proposals and ME Skill training. Also Visited Ayancherry Panchayath, interacted with the Panchyath Committee and JLG members to understand the potential of Starting a Rice CFC. I visited JLG fields. Cultivaton was not started due to unavailability of seeds. They informed that the paddy was taken to chemmad of Malappuram District and Value added to Ayyancheri Rice. Also visited the proposed CFC building at Cheruvannur. The bulding needs modifications. The building was used for drying Copra for Subiksha Project. Kudumbashree School Classes were going on in the Ayyanchery CDS Hall.

Day 3- 21/10/17

I visited Malappuram District , Had discussions with ME Team and reviewed the website updatation and expenditure. Visited the proposed site of Common Faciity Center in Kuruva Panchayath, Interacted with CDS Chairperson and Member Secretary. They were willing to handover the building for starting CFC. The building has 2000 sq ft big Hall. I visited the Kootilangadi Tailoring unit . They are giving training to students and also started a shop for marketing. Discussed with DMC regarding Thennala Producer Company. DMC informed to position a CEO for the company. Thennala PC is planning to prepare Breakfast cereal. They were given training at CFRD , Konni.

Day 4- 30/10/2017

I Visited Kannur District. A Workshop was organised with Coir Board Officials and Kudumbashree. The Workshop started at 8 AM at Ammanapara Samridhi Coir Defibering unit and Completed by 3 PM. Minister of Finance and Coir , Dr Thomas Issac was the Chief Guest. Shri James Mathew MLA was present. Officials from Planning Board, Tamil Nadu Agri university etc particpated. Discussions were conducted regarding starting Coir Machine Service Technicians, Coconut Climbing Technicians, Mobile App for Coconut Plucking and Picking Coordination, Starting of Husk collecting nano clusters, virgin oil unit etc. Training of Coconut Climbing Technicians has to be completed urgently at Kannur. The machines for Coconut Climbing were developed by NIT,CPCRI and Tamil Nadu University. We have to select the most suited

Technology. Also a new machinery for Rubber Tapping and Paddy mill was also kept for exhibition.



At 3.45 PM a presentation of CFC was organised at Bamboo Restaurant Conference Hall. All Districts presented their proposals. Certain modifications are suggested in the proposal. The meeting was wind up at 6.45 PM.

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