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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Meeting of Screening Committee of SDF for considering loan applications of Sugar Factories for Cane Development held on Tuesday, the 30th October, 2018 under the Chairmanship of Joint Secretary (Sugar & Admn.) – regarding

In continuation of this Ministry's OM of even number dated 11.10.2018 on the subject, a copy of minutes of the meeting of Screening Committee held on 30.10.2018 at 11:00 AM under the Chairmanship of Joint Secretary (Sugar & Admn.) is enclosed for your kind information and necessary action.

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3. Representative of ICAR (Sugarcane expert)

Special Invitees

4. The Agriculture Commissioner, Deptt. of Agriculture & Cooperation, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
5. The Commissioner (CAD), Ministry of Water Resources, Shram Shakti Bhawan, New Delhi.
6. The Director, Indian Institute of Sugarcane Research, P.O Dilkusha, Lucknow, UP
7. The Director, National Sugar Institute (NSI), Kalyanpur, Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh.
8. The Director General, Vasantdada Sugar Institute (VSI), Taluk: Haveli, Distt. Pune, Maharashtra
9. The President, Indian Sugar Mills Association (ISMA), Ansal Plaza, 2nd Floor, Block-C, August Kranti Marg, New Delhi
10. The President, National Federation of Cooperative Sugar Factories Ltd. (NFCSF), Ansal Plaza, 2nd Floor, Block-C, August Kranti Marg, New Delhi
11. Representative of Horticulture Division, Department of Agriculture Cooperation and Farmers welfare, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi

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Minutes of the meeting of the Screening Committee under Sugar Development Fund (SDF) held on 30.10.2018.

A meeting of the Screening Committee for consideration of the loan applications for Sugar Cane Development under Sugar Development Fund (SDF) was held under the Chairmanship of Joint Secretary (S&A) on 30.10.2018 at 11:00 AM in Room No, 41, Ground Floor, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi. A list of participants is at Annexure-I.

At the outset, the Chairman welcomed all the Members of the Screening Committee. After that, the agenda item was taken up for discussion with the permission of the chair. The Action Taken Report on the decisions taken by Screening Committee in its meeting held on 30-05-2018 was considered and accepted. The observations/recommendations are as follows:

Agenda No.1: Review of the Cane Development Scheme

The Standing Committee under the Sugar Development Fund (SDF) in its 136th meeting, held on 07.08.2018, observed that presently, Cane Development assistance under SDF is provided for setting up of heat treatment plant, rearing of seed nurseries and Drip irrigation schemes. There is a kind of duplication of schemes under the Department of Food & PD and Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare as assistance is provided from both the Departments/Ministries for similar schemes.

2. Given the above and considering surplus production of sugar in the country the Committee directed the Sub-Committee to review the components of Cane Development under SDF and to examine the continuance of Cane Development scheme in future.

3. The Agriculture Commissioner (DAC&FE) opined that the sugarcane development programme under National Food Security Mission (NFSM) provides support to the States for Demonstration on inter-cropping & single-bud chip technology with sugarcane, breeder seed production, production/supply of tissue culture plantlets, distribution of plant protection chemicals/bio-agents & training. The allocation under the scheme is negligible which is nearly 8-10 crores per year (Central share for 13States). The sugarcane development in the reserve area of the mill is vital & needed for improving the productivity of cane, harnessing high recovery and infusing new varieties for utilisation by mills. Therefore, the support to the sugar mills from SDF loan may be continued. The interventions covered under SDF are not a duplication of assistance provided for Cane Development.

4. The Representative of VSI, Pune stated that the Cane Development loan has a very good impact on promoting advanced technologies of cane development at the grass root level. Therefore, these schemes may be continued under SDF.



5. The Representative of National Federation of Cooperative Sugar Factories Ltd. (NFCSF) has also opined that the schemes may be continued under SDF.

6. The Committee also took note of the fact that the disbursal under Cane Development scheme over the years is very less due to less demand from the sugar industry for the scheme.

(Rs. in Cr.)				
S. No.	Financial Year	BE	RE	AE
1	2013-14	75.00	82.50	82.50
2	2014-15	75.00	72.92	72.92
3	2015-16	75.00	30.74	21.67
4	2016-17	75.00	11.30	0.00
5	2017-18	25.00	12.00	12.00
6	2018-19 (Up to 30.10.2018)	25.00	2.95	1.95

7. After the detailed discussion, the Committee recommended to put the scheme on hold for up to two years with effective from 01.04.2019. However, this can be reviewed at any stage if the situation so warrants.

ATTENDANCE SHEET of the SCREENING-COMMITTEE/SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING held on 30.10.2018 at 11:00 AM, Room No. 41, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi			
S.NO.	NAME of the MEMBER	DESIGNATION	SIGNATURE
1	Shri Suresh Kumar Vashishth Joint Secretary (S & A)	Chairman	
2	Shri G.S. Sahu Director (Sugar Policy) Directorate of Sugar	Member	<i>[Signature]</i> USCA Dir
3	Shri R.K. Pandey Director (Finance)	Member	<i>[Signature]</i>
4	Representative of ICAR (Sugarcane expert) (For Screening Committee)	Member	
5	Director, National Sugar Institute, Kanpur	Member	<i>[Signature]</i>
6	Shri N.K. Kashmira Director (SDF)	Member Secretary	<i>[Signature]</i>
SPECIAL INVITEES			
7	Agriculture Commissioner, Department of Agriculture (For Screening Committee)	<i>Dr. A.P. Singh</i> for Ag. Com Aditi. Com	<i>[Signature]</i> 30/10
8	Commissioner (CAD), Ministry of Water Resources (For Screening Committee)	T. D. Sharma Director R.K. Thakur enr@water.com	<i>[Signature]</i>
9	Director, Indian Institute of Sugarcane Research, Lucknow (For Screening Committee)		
10	Director General, Vasantdada Sugar Institute, Pune (VSI, Pune) (For Screening Committee)	P.P. Ghunde Head, Ag. Engg. VSI Pune	<i>[Signature]</i>
11	The President/Vice President /Director General, Indian Sugar Mills Association (ISMA)	Dr. H.D. (T.V.S.) Director - Policy	<i>[Signature]</i> Pitambar
12	The President/Vice President /Managing Director, National Federation of Co-operative Sugar Factories Ltd. (NFCSF)	MD	<i>[Signature]</i> 30/10
13	Representative from Sugar Technologist's Association of India (STAI)	President	<i>[Signature]</i>
14	Representative from Horticulture Division, D/o Agriculture Cooperation and Farmers Welfare	ASST. Commr.	<i>[Signature]</i>
15	Representative from NCDC R. N. HANGLA GIRKAY AGNATHAKI	DD (Sugar) DD - Genl	<i>[Signature]</i>
16	Representative from IFCI V. Subramanian - GM Jagdish Garwal - OGM Manoj Kumar Sarma - Mgr Rashi Bhatnagar - Mgr	V. Subramanian GM DGM Manager Manager	<i>[Signature]</i> V. Subramanian Jagdish Garwal Manoj Kumar Sarma Rashi Bhatnagar
17	Shri Dilip K. Jha	Under Secretary (SDF)	<i>[Signature]</i>
18	Shri Kanav Dua	Asst. Director (Cost)	<i>[Signature]</i>
19	Shri Jitendra Kumar Agrawal	Section Officer (SDF)	<i>[Signature]</i>
20	Shri Sushil Kumar	Section Officer (SDF A/c)	