

Proceedings of the 21st meeting of Executive Committee under the Chairmanship of Chief Project Director (Chairman Executive Committee) of Society for Improvement of Forest Ecosystems Management & Livelihoods in H.P. for JICA assisted Project for Improvement of Himachal Pradesh Forest Ecosystems Management & Livelihoods.

The 21st meeting of Executive Committee of Society for Improvement of Forest Ecosystems Management and Livelihoods in H.P. for JICA assisted Project for Improvement of Himachal Pradesh Forest Ecosystems Management & Livelihoods was held on 23.05.2026 at 5:45 PM in the Chamber of the O/o Pr.CCF (HoFF), H.P., Talland, Shimla. The names of the officers and officials, who were present in the meeting is attached as Annexure-I.

Review of the Agendas of 20th Executive Committee Meeting:-


Agenda Item No.	Agenda Item	Previous Meeting Decision	Action Taken
3	APO for Financial Year 2025-26.	<p>The APO for FY 2025-26 amounting to ₹79.86 crore was discussed in the Executive Committee Meeting and the same was approved.</p> <p>The E.C. decided that the APO for FY 2025-26 would be submitted to the Chairman, Governing Body, in a single file for approval.</p>	<p>The APO for FY 2025-26 was subsequently approved by the Governing Body amounting to ₹90.70 Cr., including proposed provisions for Bankhandi Zoological Park and Springshed Management activities. However, the said additional activities could not be taken up during FY 2025-26. Against the approved APO, expenditure of approximately ₹30.50 Cr. has been incurred up to 31.03.2026. Accordingly, the agenda item is treated as closed</p> <p>Agenda Item Dropped.</p>
4	JICA Mid Term Review held on 5 th to 9 th May' 2025.	<p>The Member Secretary EC apprised that the minutes of MTR (Mid Term Review) held on 5th to 9th May, 2025 are still awaited from JICA India.</p> <p>The Chairman Executive Committee appreciated the efforts of the FCCUs/DMUs/PMU and Field staff for their best efforts made during MTR.</p> <p>The E.C. decided that this agenda will be placed before the Governing Body.</p>	<p>The Member Secretary apprised the Executive Committee that the Mid-Term Review was successfully conducted in 2025. Following this, certain new proposals were deliberated and forwarded for concurrence through MoEF&CC and DEA.</p> <p>The Member Secretary further informed that he has taken up the matter personally. He has been in touch with Mr. Pawan Kumar, AIG in the DEA, who</p>

			<p>has conveyed that he will consult his senior authorities and thereafter share the meeting schedule with us.</p> <p>The Chairman of the Executive Committee directed the Member Secretary to inform him on 25/05/2026 regarding the status of scheduling the meeting with JICA India and DEA, and to provide an update on when the meeting will be scheduled.</p> <p>Agenda Item stands.</p>
5	<p>Booking of 5% expenditure under State-Share of Project Cost instead of 20 %.</p>	<p>The Member Secretary EC apprised that proposal for increasing the expenditure under the Sate head is being prepared and will be placed before Governing Body.</p> <p>The E.C. decided that this agenda will be placed before the Governing Body.</p>	<p>The Member Secretary apprised the Executive Committee that during the Mid-Term Review, the JICA team had raised an objection regarding the booking of expenditure under the State Share component of the project cost. The JICA team observed that expenditure should be incurred from the entire 20% State Share provision of the project cost, whereas presently only 5% expenditure is being booked.</p> <p>He further informed that the salaries of the staff working on deputation under JICA are being paid from the State Share component. In addition, all taxes related to the JICA Project are also being borne from the State Share.</p> <p>The Member Secretary also informed that a proposal had been prepared regarding payment of salaries of the DFOs working under the JICA Project. However, the proposal could not be implemented as it requires the involvement and concurrence</p>

			<p>of the Finance Department. Further, a notification would also be required for inclusion of the JICA Project DFOs under the JICA establishment.</p> <p>After detailed deliberations, the Executive Committee Chairman observed that inclusion of the JICA Project DFOs under JICA the establishment may not be feasible. Accordingly, the issue may be noted for the present, and he stated that he would further examine the matter to decide the future course of action.</p>
6	Increase in existing budgetary provisions in forestry and livelihood activities with the existing budget line of the Project DPR.	The E.C. approved the Agenda and decided that this agenda will be placed before the Governing Body for its approval.	<p>Provision of funds has been carved out from the existing budget line under the concerned main component.</p> <p>Agenda Item dropped.</p>
8	Requirement of funds for Add on SHGs Income Generation activities and Marketing initiatives.	<p>The Chairman Executive Committee directed Programme Manager (Marketing & Rural Financing) to prepare a proposal for requirement of funds for add on SHGs income generation activities and marketing initiating and the same will be placed before Governing Body for its approval.</p> <p>The E.C. decided that this agenda will be placed before the Governing Body.</p>	<p>Provision of funds has been carved out from the existing budget line under the concerned main component. The matter has already been approved in 12th GBM held on 16th June 2025.</p> <p>Agenda Item dropped.</p>
9	Livelihood Improvement through Bamboo Products - Pilot Project for Bilaspur.	<p>It was decided that depending upon the availability of bamboos on private land in Bilaspur or any other Forest division in the project area, existing group of artisans shall be imparted skill based training at village level along with financial support to purchase small equipment and tools as per provision in the project.</p> <p>This agenda will be placed before the Governing Body.</p>	<p>The Member Secretary apprised the EC meeting that the Bamboo project in Bilaspur had become a major issue two years ago. At that time, Minister Dharmani Ji had suggested that a bamboo project should be implemented in Bilaspur, for which an amount of ₹2 crore was approved. However, when a survey was eventually conducted, Bamboo was not</p>

			<p>found in that area.</p> <p>On this, the Chairman stated that, to his knowledge, bamboo is found in Una, Hamirpur, and Sirmaur, but not in Bilaspur. Thereafter, the Member Secretary clarified that the project was actually meant for Bilaspur Division. Subsequently, in the next GB meeting, approval was granted for conducting a workshop on the matter, for which an expenditure of approximately ₹10-12 lakh was sanctioned. The groups that required technical training were also provided with the necessary training.</p> <p>The Chairman further stated that the present agenda may be dropped for the time being; however, a separate bamboo project should be prepared for the districts where bamboo is actually found, such as Solan, Sirmaur, Una, and Hamirpur.</p> <p>The EC decided that separate agenda will be placed before the Governing Body meeting.</p>
10	<p>Collaboration between HP JICA Forestry Project and HP Milkfed for Sustainable Livelihood to VFDS/SHGs formed under Project.</p>	<p>The Program Manager (Marketing & Rural Financing) apprised the Executive Committee that the required information has been shared with the CCF Bilaspur and DFO Sundernagar to uplift the rural economy in the Project area for members associated with Village Forest Development Society.</p> <p>Executive Committee decided that the budget for this pilot project will be allocated from Component 3. This agenda will</p>	<p>Agenda item dropped.</p> <p>The Member Secretary informed the EC that a proposal is to be received regarding the collaboration between HP JICA Forestry Project and HP Milkfed for sustainable livelihood activities for VFDs and SHGs formed under the project. In this regard, discussions have already been held with their MD, who has assured that the proposal will be shared shortly.</p>

		be placed before the Governing Body Meeting for its approval.	On this, the CPD advised that a meeting be held again with the MD to further pursue the matter.
11	Facilitation & Handholding Support by Himalayan Forest Research Institute (HFRI) to Common Interest Groups (CIGs) constituted under Jadi-Buti Cell of the Project.	<p>The Executive Committee was apprised of the need to understand the shortcomings faced by CIGs in the cultivation and production of medicinal plants (Kutki) and to suggest appropriate corrective measures.</p> <p>A proposal was submitted by HFRI, Shimla with the objective to understand shortcomings of SHGs in cultivation and production of the medicinal workshops for skill up-gradation. These activities are proposed in the Forest Divisions of Ani, Kinnaur and Kullu. Each CIG will be visited minimum of six times annually. All CIGs constituted during 2024-25 & 2025-26 in these Divisions will be covered by HFRI.</p> <p>To ensure effective implementation and progress monitoring, it is suggested that the project funds allocated for this activity be disbursed accordingly to the following schedule:</p> <p>(i) First installment: 25 % of the total sanctioned fund upon signing of agreement</p> <p>(ii) Second installment: 50 % of the total sanctioned fund upon submission and satisfactory review of the half yearly progress reports.</p> <p>(iii) Final installment: The remaining 25% of the total sanctioned fund upon submission and satisfactory review of the final project report.</p> <p>Agenda will be placed before the Governing Body.</p>	<p>The Member Secretary apprised the Executive Committee meeting that. A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between HFRI and the JICA HP Forestry Project.</p> <p>Agenda item dropped.</p>
12	Permission to withdraw the taxi vehicles allotted	The Member Secretary E.C. apprised that the permission was	The Member Secretary apprised the EC meeting that

	<p>to FTU/Range Level under JICA Project where 40 months has been completed.</p>	<p>given to hire the vehicles for Ranges/FTUs for 36 months, however, the permission was further extended for 4 months due to peak plantation season and community development activities under Project. Now the taxi vehicles hired at FTU/Range Level should be withdrawn where 40 months have been completed.</p> <p>E.C. approved the Agenda Item.</p>	<p>the proposal regarding the withdrawal of taxi vehicles allotted to FTU/Ranges under the JICA Project was placed before the committee, as the funds allocated for this component had already been exhausted.</p> <p>The Executive Committee meeting Chairman decided that for the time being the agenda item be dropped from the 21st EC meeting. However, the matter may be considered for necessary action in future.</p> <p>Agenda item dropped.</p>
<p>13</p> 	<p>Decision on utilization of interest accrued in VFDS/BMC Bank accounts.</p>	<p>The Member Secretary E.C. apprised that Direction may be issued to the VFDSs/BMCs for utilization of interest at their own level or to deposit the same to Govt. Treasury.</p> <p>It was decided that this agenda will be taken up to the GB after that the instruction will be sent to the field functionaries.</p>	<p>The Member Secretary apprised the EC meeting that the funds released to PMC under VFDS remain unutilized/parked for a certain period of time. In this regard, the Chairman suggested that the said amount may be deposited in the Treasury.</p> <p>Clarifying the matter, the Member Secretary stated that the BMCs are the end users under VFDS and that the funds are meant for public purposes. He further explained that the amount transferred to the BMCs falls under the category of Grant-in-Aid, and once the funds are transferred to the respective public/VFDS accounts, they can no longer be treated as Government money.</p> <p>In response, the Chairman expressed the view that until the funds are duly and properly utilized, they shall</p>

			<p>continue to be treated as Government money.</p> <p>After detailed deliberations on the matter, the Chairman of the Executive Committee decided that the issue be kept on record/noted for the time being, and that the matter regarding further course of action and decision would be considered separately.</p> <p>Agenda Item stands.</p>
14	Revolving Fund Utilization Mechanism	<p>The Chairman of the Executive Committee has directed Program Managers (Marketing & Rural Financing), (Livelihood & Training) and Subject Matter Specialists (Marketing) Ms. Rachana and Mr. Pritish to ensure that the Revolving Fund lying in the account of SHGs is transferred to the account of VFDS/BMC by 14 June, 2025.</p> <p>Interest rate on the Revolving Fund to be transferred from the account of VFDS/BMC will be conveyed separately along with process of seeking fund by the SHGs from concerned VFDS/BMC, so that this fund can be again utilized by the SHG. Instruction in this regard will be issued immediately.</p>	<p>The Member Secretary apprised the meeting that an amount of one lakh rupees is provided to SHGs that come under VFDS. These SHGs can utilize the amount for inter-loaning or for starting any activities. Later, the money is returned to VFDS, and the funds continue to rotate in this manner. In the end.</p> <p>EC decided that this agenda item would be dropped.</p> <p>Agenda item dropped.</p>
15	Upgrade GIS/MIS Infrastructure.	<p>The Executive Committee was apprised regarding the need for the upgrade and strengthening of GIS/MIS Infrastructure for the project purpose. The members of the committee were also apprised about the JICA India commitment for digital technology and in principle agreed to support and upgrade the available software and hardware solutions to ensure the successful use of state of the art tools and systems to effectively showcase the project outcomes.</p>	<p>The Member Secretary of the Executive Committee apprised that regarding the DIG VAN program, discussion was held with CCFIT HP Forest Department. It was apprised that the HP Forest Department is implementing the E-Forest Initiative, under which GIS integration is proposed in the second phase.</p> <p>The Chairman of the Executive Committee</p>

		<p>Executive Committee decided to explore the use of DIGIVAN initiative launched by the Rajasthan Forest Department as suggested by JICA India during MTR of the Project, and also e-Forest Management of HP Forest Department, ArcGIS Enterprise or any other equivalent solution and explore their features, access their capabilities and then come up with the proposal to introduce most appropriate hardware and software solutions into the existing Project framework w.r.t GIS/MIS.</p>	<p>directed CCF IT HPFD to draft a proposal of DIGIVAN and seek funding from JICA Forestry project. PMU JICA GIS team was also directed to meet CCFIT HP Forest Department.</p> <p>Agenda Item stands.</p>
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Review of the pending Agenda Items of the 18th E.C. Meeting:-

Agenda Item No.	Agenda	Decision	Action Taken
21.	Status report of various Studies under JICA-PIHPFEM&L.	<p>The Member Secretary E.C. apprised about the current status of various studies as given below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Monitoring Data Accumulation on effective Pasture Management (NERIL) 20QPRs and 4 APRs have been received. 2. Environment and Socio Consideration (Enviro Infra) 21 QPRs and 5 APRs have been received. 3. Base line Survey Socio Economic Gender Physical (WAPCOS). The study has been completed. 	<p>The Member Secretary informed the EC regarding two studies:</p> <p>Study on Monitoring Data Accumulation on Effective Pasture Management — QPR-20 and APR-4 have been submitted.</p> <p>Study on Environment and Social Considerations — QPR-21 and APR-5 have also been submitted.</p> <p>It was further informed that both studies are likely to be completed during 2027-2028.</p> <p>The Chairman raised concerns regarding the delay and questioned why these studies had not yet been completed. In response, the Program Manager, Forest and</p>

			<p>Biodiversity, clarified that only a one-year gap had occurred due to the COVID-19 situation.</p> <p>After detailed discussion, the Executive Committee decided that these studies should be completed within time period.</p> <p>Agenda Item stands.</p>
22.	Salary enhancement of the Staff working under JICA-PHIPFEM&L.	The Member Secretary EC apprised that a comparative proposal was submitted to the Chairman Governing Body on a single file and the proposal is pending for decision.	<p>The Member Secretary apprised the Executive Committee that the matter regarding salary enhancement of the staff working under the JICA Project has been under consideration for the last two years.</p> <p>During the discussion, the Chairman observed that approvals had already been granted in the 18th and 19th meetings of the Governing Body (GB), and enquired why the approved salary amounts had not been disbursed to the concerned employees.</p> <p>The Member Secretary clarified that during the Governing Body meeting, an agenda item had been placed regarding the maximum permissible salary limits. It was further explained that the concerned post required prior media experience. At the time of the initial</p>

recruitment, the employee was appointed on a salary of ₹35,000/- on a provisional basis to assess performance and efficiency, and therefore the full approved amount was not granted initially. Subsequently, the employee left the position and another person was recruited on the same salary. Upon assessment of efficiency and satisfactory performance, the salary was later increased to approximately ₹50,000/-.

Thereafter, the Chairman asked about the second agenda item concerning salary enhancement of other staff members.


Further, the Member Secretary apprised the 12th GB decision regarding the salary enhancement of the Project staff. It was decided by the GB to bring this matter in single file submitting a comparative statement of different Projects.

After detailed deliberations, the Executive Chairman directed the Member Secretary to disburse the salary to employee possessing the required competency

			<p>and efficiency, then the salary may be fixed as per the approved proposal. The Chairman further stated that since the maximum approved salary is ₹60,000/- for Media Specialist and the same has already been approved by the Governing Body, the competent employee may be granted the approved amount accordingly.</p> <p>Member Secretary need to submit a comparative proposal regarding salary enhancement of all concerned staff members. The Chairman further stated that the proposal would be examined appropriately and reasonable enhancement would be considered and approved accordingly in a single file.</p> <p>Agenda Item stands</p>
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Review of the pending Agenda Items of the 17th E.C. Meeting:-

Agenda Item No.	Agenda	Decision	Action Taken
6.	Opening of new Multipurpose Outlets to provide market place for SHGs/CIGs.	The Member Secretary Executive Committee apprised that collaboration with HPSRLM and other organizations are in process as they have good experiences in running HIMIRA stores. In future MOU will be signed to run these outlets with all necessary requirements like warehouse management, logistic, sales software etc. The website of JICA Forestry Project along with the GPS location of every outlet	The Member Secretary apprised the House that 27 Multipurpose Outlets) had been opened, which were approved in the previous Governing Body (GB) meeting. Thereafter, the Chairman enquired about their present status and locations.

			<p>The Member Secretary explained that two outlets are located in Shimla — one in the Taradevi Range and another in the Craignano/Mashobra Range.</p> <p>Subsequently, the Chairman observed that the outlet at Shoghi remains closed most of the time. The Chairman further stated that if the outlet is not being effectively utilized under the JICA project and its intended purpose is not being served, then it may be handed over to some other department for better utilization.</p> <p>It was decided that the utilization status of the Shoghi outlet shall be reviewed, and if it is found unsuitable or unutilized under the JICA project, the matter of transferring the outlet to another department for effective use may be considered.</p> <p>Agenda Item dropped.</p>
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Review of the pending Agenda Items of the 16th E.C. Meeting:-

Agenda Item No.	Agenda	Decision	Action Taken
12.	Monitoring of Annual Outcome Assessment.	Program Manager (Monitoring/Safeguard & Publications) apprised the Executive Committee that Annual Outcome assessment has been prepared and will be submitted soon.	The Executive Committee Chairman directed APD Kullu to submit the Monitoring of Annual Outcome Assessment

			Report within one week positively. Agenda Item stands
13.	Adhering the provisions of M&E Manual in the field.	Program Manager & Publications) apprised the Executive Committee that monitoring is being carried out as per the guidelines of the M&E Manual. The Annual Monitoring Reports for FY 2021-22, 2022-23 and 2023-24 have already been submitted to the PMU Office, Shimla. Further, the Annual Monitoring Report for FY 2024-25 has been prepared and will be submitted shortly.	The Chairman of the Executive Committee directed the APD Kullu to submit the Annual Monitoring Report for the financial year 2025-26 by 31 May 2026. Agenda Item stands
17.	Developing an E-commerce portal for PIHPFEM&L (JICA Funded).	Member Secretary Executive Committee apprised that the HP JICA Project website disseminate the information of SHG made products with all necessary information. However, collaboration is being initiated with HPSRLM and other organizations to formulate online and offline platform to boost the income of SHGs. The branding, packaging, distribution, development of catalogue and other marketing aspects etc. would be the part of this major collaboration.	During the meeting, the Member Secretary informed that a proposal is under consideration for the development of an e-commerce portal for marketing "JICA" products manufactured under the organization. At present, the e-commerce portal has not yet been developed; however, details of the JICA products are available on the organization's website. During the discussion, the Chairman sought clarification regarding the purpose of developing the e-commerce portal. In response, the Member Secretary explained that, similar to how Amazon and Flipkart sell products through their online platforms, the proposed portal would also facilitate the sale of "JICA" products through an online

			<p>platform.</p> <p>After detailed deliberations, the Executive Committee resolved that an e-commerce portal for "JICA" products shall be developed. The Committee further decided that, once the DIG-One platform is developed, the said e-commerce portal shall be integrated with it.</p> <p>Agenda Item dropped.</p>
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New Agenda Items:-

Agenda Item No.	Agenda Item	Decision
1	APO for Financial Year 2026-27	<p>The Member Secretary apprised the Executive Committee that the proposed APO for FY 2026-27 under the JICA assisted PIHPFEM&L amounts to ₹165.29 crore, comprising ₹43.00 crore for ongoing approved activities and ₹122.29 crore towards proposed additional activities, subject to approval/concurrence of JICA India, MoEF&CC & DEA, Government of India.</p> <p>The proposed additional activities include expansion of additional VFDSs, CHISAN related interventions, Durgesharanya-Kangra Zoological Park related biodiversity & conservation interventions, Satoyama based biodiversity conservation activities, livelihood improvement activities, springshed management, mobility and institutional strengthening support, and other project related interventions.</p> <p>The Executive Committee discussed the matter in detail and approved the APO for FY 2026-27 amounting to ₹165.29 crore.</p> <p>The Executive Committee further decided that the APO be submitted to the Chairman, Governing Body, in a single file for consideration and approval.</p>
2	Statement showing Physical & Financial Statement for the FY 2025-26.	Executive Committee Member Secretary apprised that the Physical and Financial Report for the Financial Year 2025-26 amounted to approximately ₹30 crore.

		Agenda Item dropped.
3	Status of Reimbursement claims for the FY 2025-26.	Executive Committee Member Secretary apprised that the reimbursement claim of ₹5.7 crore pertaining to the month of March is still pending for receipt. Additionally, the Balance Sheet and Audit for the Financial Year 2025-26 have been completed. Agenda Item dropped.
4	Audited Balance Sheet of Society for the FY 2024-25.	Executive Committee Chairman directed that a new tender process be initiated, as per rules, for the appointment of an auditor to conduct the audit for the Financial Year 2026-27. It was decided to initiate the process for issuing a new tender for the appointment of an auditor for the Financial Year 2026-27. Agenda Item stands
5	Durgesharanya-Kangra Zoological Park at Bankhandi, Himachal Pradesh	The Executive Committee decided that the this agenda will be before the Governing Body .
6	Investigation on <i>Cedrus</i> mortality in Theog Forest Division and Development of suitable filed management strategy	The Member Secretary informed that a proposal has been submitted for conducting a detailed research study in the Dharnok Beat area under Mahasu Block of Theog Forest Division, where sacred groves are found on a large scale. As per the proposal, the research study was proposed to be conducted for a period of two years, with an estimated expenditure of ₹2.30 lakh. The proposal has been submitted to undertake scientific study and assessment of the area. On this proposal, the Chairman of the Executive Committee decided that the matter should first be discussed with Himalayan Forest Research Institute (HFRI). It was further decided to request HFRI to complete the proposed research study within a period of six months, instead of two years, so that the findings and recommendations may be made available at the earliest. Agenda Item stands
7	Adoption of CHISAN Based Technology for Treatment of Landslide Affected Areas in Himachal Pradesh	The Member Secretary explained to the Chairman that the works proposed under the CHISAN activities are highly technical in nature. He informed that similar works have already been executed at Uttarkashi, where

		<p>a warranty of seventy years has been provided, ensuring that the structures would remain stable and would not collapse even in the event of landslides. He further stated that the higher cost of the project is due to the technical specifications and long-term durability associated with these works.</p> <p>Thereafter, the Programme Manager (Forestry & Livelihoods) suggested that instead of taking up all three sites simultaneously, the activities may initially be undertaken at one site on a pilot basis.</p> <p>The Chairman of the Executive Committee further directed that a video conference be held with the Chief Engineer, UFRMP, regarding the proposal submitted by them, and the possibility of reducing the proposed project cost be explored.</p> <p>Agenda Item stands</p>
8	Pine needle briquetting as an activity for forest fire management vis-à-vis Environment Conservation and Natural Resource Management in Himachal Pradesh	<p>The Member Secretary apprised the Executive Committee about the proposal titled "Pine Needle Briquetting as an Activity for Forest Fire Management, Environmental Conservation, and Natural Resource Management in Himachal Pradesh." The proposal and its objectives were discussed in detail before the Committee.</p> <p>Executive Committee Chairman decided that this agenda will be placed before the Governing Body for its approval.</p>
9	Decision on utilization of interest accrued in VFDS/BMC Bank account	<p>Member Secretary apprised the Executive Committee of the decision regarding utilization of the interest accrued in the PFTS and BMC bank accounts.</p> <p>The Executive Committee further decided that this agenda item would be discussed in the General Body meeting.</p>
10	Centralized procurement of packaging materials, branding of products, FSSAI certifications under "Him Tradition" Brand name.	<p>The Member Secretary informed the Executive Committee that certification is required for the food items being prepared by our SCGs. Since our "Him Traditions" brand is also registered, it was proposed that the packaging and vending process across Himachal Pradesh should be centralized at a single location.</p> <p>After detailed discussion, it was decided that the packaging and vending activities would be carried out through a centralized system. The Member</p>

		<p>Secretary further directed the Program Manager (Marketing and Rural Financing) to directly coordinate with FSSAI, Delhi regarding the certification process and to make the necessary arrangements for obtaining the required certifications. It was also directed that this work should be completed within a week.</p> <p>Agenda Item stands</p>
11	Cluster formation for livelihoods	<p>The Member Secretary informed the Executive Committee in the meeting that various activities and food items are currently being operated under different divisions. It was suggested that clustering them together would be more beneficial from a marketing perspective. Accordingly, a proposal for cluster formation was presented. The Chairman agreed to the proposal and granted permission to proceed with the work.</p> <p>The Executive Committee Chairman approved the proposal for cluster formation.</p> <p>Agenda Item dropped.</p>

The Meeting ended with a Vote of thanks to Chair.



