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Sub: NIRD&PR: State link Officer's Scheme - Issue of Guidelines - 2018

Ref: NIRD&PR Admn Office Order No. 58 dated 01.5.2015

In supersession of the guidelines for the State Link Officers referred above, fresh guidelines are issued as given below:

1. National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj (NIRDPR) in order to achieve its mandate of training and capacity building of rural development and panchayati raj functionaries and other stakeholders for sustainable rural development, there is a need for effective net working with State Governments through the respective State Institutes of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj (SIRDPRs), Extension Training Centres (ETCs) and Panchayati Raj Training / Resource Centres apart from other Institutes involved in training and research. The SLO system is aimed at achieving the above, by liasioning with the SIRDPRs / ETCs and thus with the State Departments.

2. The networking and close coordination with SIRDPRs / ETCs / PR Training / Resource Centres is also critical for successful implementation of Training Calendar and Research initiatives of NIRDPR as the State level institutions have to successfully deliver the training as envisaged in the Training Calendar, especially net work / off campus programmes. It is also essential to remember that the Training Calendars are prepared by adopting bottom-up approach to meet the training needs of the State functionaries wherein NIRDPR will be playing active role in creating the Master Trainers through Trainers Training Programmes. The networking by the SLOs for

achieving the above, obviously have to be extended to State and sub-State level training institutions related to rural development and panchayati raj.

3. Thus, the SLOs are shouldering the profound responsibilities and take proactive role for becoming "good will ambassador" and professional advisor / mentor to the State Training Institutions. It is also essential to involve the faculty of the State Training Institutions, by building their capacities in the research activities of NIRDPR in addition to promote research by their faculty.

4. Under the circumstances, the existing responsibilities and duties of SLOs have been revised and annexed as Appendix-I.

5. The allocation of States is also revised and enclosed in Appendix-II.

6. These guidelines will come into effect immediately so that the SLOs will effectively expand their reach and coverage of their activities into different States.

7. The successful performance of SLOs will be an added feather in their cap while making annual performance assessment.

Encl: Appendix- I & II

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Director General

To,
All State Link Officers (SLOs)- (as per list)

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1. All Heads of the Centers& NIRDPR-NERC, Guwahati
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1. State Secretaries of RD&PR
2. Heads of SIRDs
3. Principals of ETCs
4. Joint Secretary (T), Ministry of Rural Development, Govt. of India
5. Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Govt. of India

The duties and responsibilities of NIRDPR State Link Officers (SLOs) to the States / SIRDPRs

1. SLOs are expected to visit the respective State/SIRDPR/ETCs at least once in a quarter. As far as possible this should be planned in such a way as to coincide with the meetings of the Managing Committee/Executive Committee of SIRDPRs/ETC held from time to time and the visits to adopted villages for taking up planned activities.
2. SLOs are also the members of State Level Coordination Committee/Advisory Committees of States related to RGSA/GPDP etc. They should effectively participate in these meetings and guide the States.
3. SLOs have to guide/mentor SIRDPRs and ETCs in training need assessment (TNA) and formulation of State Training Action Plans (STAP), designing and conducting the training and research activities.
4. The SLOs may guide in organizing the programmes as planned and enable to achieve the 'targets' and 'achievements', by the SIRDPRs/ETCs etc.
5. SLOs shall enable regular flow of information, on continuous basis, about the trainings and research activities of SIRDPRs& ETCs and other training institutions involved in RD&PR activities to NIRDPR.
6. SLOs shall enable the SIRDPRs and ETCs to use Training Management Portal (TMP) for effective monitoring and data analysis by the SIRDPRs, States and Government of India.
7. MoRD is providing financial support for infrastructure development of SIRDs and ETCs, under the Central Scheme of "Management Support to Rural Development Programmes and Strengthening of District Planning Process". Ministry of Panchayati Raj provide funds under RGSA. The SLOs may assist the State Governments, SIRDPRs and ETCs in formulation of proposals seeking funding support under these scheme as per guidelines and keep track of the use of the same.
8. SLOs have to facilitate capacity building of the faculty members of SIRDs and ETCs by organizing Training of Trainers (ToT) programmes and facilitate sponsorship of

the faculty for participation in the training programmes in India and abroad, within the approved parameters of NIRDPR, Ministry of Rural Development and Ministry of Panchayati Raj.

9. SLOs may document the success stories, best practices in the form of films case studies related to rural development for further dissemination. Also compile, collate good training practices, modules and other related material for creating a repository on RD&PR literature, through NIRDPR web-portal www.nird.org.in and www.ruraldeeksha.nic.in for wider dissemination.
10. SLOs have to help the State Governments and training institutions in promotion/dissemination of rural technologies and guide in establishing Rural Technologies Demonstrations Parks, within the approved norms of NIRDPR/MoRD.
11. SLOs should connect with senior State officers who can be the contact points/friends of NIRDPR for effective participation and association with NIRDPR.
12. SLOs have to develop appropriate networking' between NIRDPR, SIRDs, ETCs and other institutions involved in RD & PR training so as to enhance the coverage of training and sharing of expertise.
13. SLOs will be responsible for dissemination of information relating to training, research, Action Research and Village Adoption activities of NIRDPR to the State Governments, SIRDPRs and ETCs, well in advance, so that the programmes being offered by NIRDPR are accessed optimally.
14. SLOs are required to help the other Centers at NIRDPR in organizing need based training programmes, workshops and seminars in SIRDs and ETCs based on the demands made by the respective State/SIRDPR.
15. SIRDs have designated their National Level Officers (NLOs) who will function as link person with NIRDPR. SLOs have to coordinate with NLOs of States assigned to them.
16. SLOs are required to perform any other item of the work that may be entrusted by the Director General, NIRDPR from time to time.
17. The senior faculty who have not been allocated to any State may guide the new incumbents and join wherever required for supporting the SLOs.

18. The Village Adoption programme will continue in the same cluster of villages, under the supervision of the new SLO allocated vide this Office Order. The SLO shall take detailed briefing from the previous SLO who has initiated Village adoption programme and continue the activities as planned or revised according to the situation.

19. SLOs will submit a report of their visit within 10 days of the respective visits, to the undersigned.

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NIRD&PR FACULTY MEMBERS

S.No	State	Faculty Member
1	Andhra Pradesh	Dr [Ms] Ruchira Bhattacharya Assistant Professor (CGSD)
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3	Assam	Dr (Ms) Aruna Jayamani Assistant Professor (CPME)
4	Bihar	Dr P Rajkumar Assistant Professor (CFL)
5	Chhattisgarh	Dr (Ms) P Anuradha Assistant Professor (CWE)
6	Goa	Dr Srinivas Sajja Assistant Professor (CSA)
7	Gujarat	Dr Jyothis Sathyapalan Professor & Head (CWE)
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11	Jharkhand	Dr (Ms) S K Sathya Prabha Assistant Professor (CGGPA)
12	Karnataka	Dr Lakhan Singh Assistant Professor (CHRD)
13	Kerala	Dr Ramesh Sakthivel Associate Professor & Head (CIAT)
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