

**RECORD NOTES OF THE DISCUSSIONS IN THE 1<sup>ST</sup> STATE LEVEL  
COORDINATION COMMITTEE (SLCC) MEETING ON 10<sup>TH</sup> AGRICULTURE  
CENSUS IN THE STATE TAKEN AT CONFERENCE HALL NO:II, CIVIL  
SECRETARIAT ON 24<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 2016.**

The Secretary, Revenue, Govt. of Tripura was in the chair. Dr. Mamta Saxena, Deputy Director, General & Agriculture Census Commissioner, Government of India was present in the meeting.

List of officials who represented the meeting as members of the State Level Coordination Committee is enclosed at Annexure-A.

1. Welcoming the officials, the Secretary, Revenue initiated discussion. He discussed the purpose of the meeting. Thereafter, the Director, Land Records & Settlement, Government of Tripura explained the details of Agriculture Census, its importance and modes of undertaking the census operation through a power point presentation. He further stated that the methodology related to undertaking the 10<sup>th</sup> Agriculture Census was given to the State at the country level meeting held at New Delhi in the month of February, 2016. Accordingly, the existing methodology was tentatively decided to be followed. As per the existing methodology, 20% of revenue villages under the category of EARAS villages were supposed to be covered during the census operation. Training was conducted by the concerned Ministry on the existing system of Agriculture Census during Workshop of the master trainers in Kolkata. Later on, a communication was received from Dr. Saxena informing that Agri. Census operation may be undertaken based on land records since Tripura is a land records State and Dr. Saxena informed that two revenue villages may be selected on pilot basis for Agri. Census operation based on computerized land records. The Director, LR&S informed that the purpose of the meeting is to decide the methodology to be adopted for the Agriculture Census for the State.
2. Dr. Mamta Saxena, Deputy Director, General & Agriculture Census Commissioner, Government of India stated that since Tripura is a land records state, it would be better to undertake Agriculture Census operation based on computerized revenue village wise holdings. She further requested the State Government not to follow the procedure prescribed for non-land records State. She suggested to select 2 (two) revenue villages as pilot basis to assess the feasibility of the procedure for its adoption in respect of other villages. She further suggested that the methodology being adopted by the Department of Land Resources for computerization of land records of the State may be followed for conducting phase -1. The phase -1 shall be conducted using the information from the land records. The missing information thereafter may be manually entered into computer which may be collected through field survey if needed after which village and tehsils tables would be generated.
3. After detailed discussions, the following decisions were taken:-
  - i). Agriculture Census in the state shall be conducted as per the procedure of Land Records State.
  - ii). A pilot study shall be conducted in two revenue villages to assess the feasibility of the procedure for its adoption in respect of other revenue villages.

