As directed by the Honble minister for LSGD, I have attended a meeting of RIDF works sanctioned under tranche XXII at Thavanur constituency on 19-01-2017.

In the meeting a time line for the starting procedure of the newly sanctioned projects to a tune of Rs.5.75 crores was evolved and finalized.

Accordingly all the works will be finalized through e-tendering on or before 15-02-2017.

Handing over the sites and real commencement of the works will be done before 15th March 2017.

The next day I made a field visit in Malappuram district especially focusing on new initiatives in the implementation of centrally sponsored schemes. The ADC (GI) and BDOs accompanied me.

Observations

MKSP

I visited one MKSP site where the women laborers engaged in paddy cultivation.

The laborers are very much enthused and they earn good livelihood through this activities.

- In order to rejuvenate and monitor the program and fixing accountability, imparting various kinds of trainings, coordinating with farmers and PRIs, link with MKSP and CEO a dedicated officer has to be posted at district and block level from among the existing development officers.
- One officer in the rank of an ADC to be placed at MKSP office to liaison with the three districts.
- To conduct an impact assessment of the scheme that is how much paddy cultivation brings back through this gap filling labour force.
- To take initiative to add on more groups and members to this labour family.
- To tie up with other programs for example the groups I have visited are always engaged in vegetable cultivation on lease land during the lean paddy operationalization period.
- Every labourers earn savings to a tune of Rs.25000 to Rs.50000.
- They require some modern machines for creeping and Ploughing works.
- They further required small vehicle for transporting the machines from one site to other site and to their garage at the respective block office.
- To its charm and beauty of the scheme to make proposal for extending the program to the whole of the state.
PLAN

- 30% expenditure is achieved under Plan schemes of Malappuram Block Panchyath. The following issues are flagged during the review as the expenditure is short fall
  1) In the case of purchase projects clarification is required if IKM, KELTRON, SIDCO is allowed to continue purchase through them. If permit to purchase through this institutions the tender/quotati on procedure can be avoided and the expenditure may be made accordingly.
  2) AG has objected to include irrigation projects in the plan as stated it under 4th part of KPR act, irrigation projects has not been taken.
  3) 10% of the allocation is earmarked for the solid/liquid waste management projects but there is no clarity for the implementation procedure and project appraisal.
  4) The share for PMAY-G is not decided by the Government.

Industrial Unit

- Mankada Block Panchayath started an industrial unit with a mission of ‘Waste to Wealth’. Visited a plastic recycling unit in which the plastic waste collected through the public places and segregate different items and use for producing Hose pipes and Roof for tress.
- Pollution issues highlighted by the Public and instructed the District officials to solve the grievance by bringing the issue to the notice of the District Collector.
- The unit has given support subsidy from the Industries department. ADC is directed to make a study of utilization/benefit analysis of the subsidy and to put forth a report.
Women mason training.

A model convergence program of women mason training inspected.

- The training was given to the women masons under DDUGKY.
- The beneficiary women are selected from MGNREGA workers.
- Those who have given training and as part of the practical session the trainee women engaged in building the IAY houses.( 5-Five houses)
- This is a model of multi converged program and that can be replicated in LIFE mission also. PD/ADC is directed to submit a proposal of this convergence program in order to submit to government for considering this best practice to the ensuing LIFE mission.
Inspection with Grama Panchayat President

Women masons in the work site in uniform

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