

Training cum Workshop on

Strengthening Extension-Policy Interface

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Extension's performance to a large extent is dependent on the wider policy and institutional context. At the organizational level, extension should have capacities to influence policies that affect their performance. To effectively influence policies, extension services should need not only sound evidence of its impact, but also capacities to engage with policy relevant actors in the different organizations especially the Government at various levels. While few countries have developed policy framework on extension and specific extension policies, there has been very limited success in translating these policies into programmes and operational guidelines

Over the years, there has been erosion in capacities among extension professionals and senior managers in shaping the future of extension. Lack of policy relevant research to generate evidence on extension's impact; poor documentation of successful initiatives, and lack of training on engaging with policy relevant actors have all contributed to this. The proposed training cum workshop is aimed at deliberating on ways of strengthening the extension –policy interface so as to strengthen extension provision in India.

Objectives

- To orient participants on the importance of policies in shaping extension's performance
- To discuss ways of generating policy relevant evidence on extension to influence policies
- To develop capacities to engage with policy actors and the policy development process

Content

- Introduction to extension policy and policy making process
- Global experience with extension policy
- Generating evidence to influence policy
- Communication to influence policies

Methodology

- Presentation by resource persons
- Panel discussion
- Discussion on extension policy documents
- Write-shop for briefs

Participants and nomination

- ❖ The participants in the programme would include senior and middle level officials engaged in extension practice, research and policy in the state Department of Agriculture, Horticulture, Animal husbandry, Sericulture, Fisheries, SAUs, ICAR, KVKs and NGOs.
- Boarding and lodging and other tuition expenses of the training participants will be arranged by MANAGE. However, TA and DA of the participants have to be borne by the sponsoring agency/ participant.
- For further clarifications and nominations, please mail to Dr. Saravanan Raj, Director (Agril. Extn.), MANAGE, Rajendranagar, Hyderabad (e-mail: saravanan.raj@manage.gov.in, saravananraj@hotmail.com).