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Secunderabad Railway Station : 7/94H, 7/94R,  
7/95R, 5/92,

Hyderabad Railway Station, Nampally : 92R,

Kachiguda Railway Station : 2/94R,

Mahatma Gandhi Bus Station (Imlibun) : 94R, 94H, 95A,

(Reach Koti, Opp. Osmania Medical : 95P, 94/95R

College gate by auto and catch bus)

Rajiv Gandhi International Airport, : Taxi/RTC Bus/  
Shamshabad AeroExpress

### Land marks:

*Extension bus stop located on the Rajendranagar road which is at a distance of 15 km. from Koti, 25 km from Secunderabad, 15 km from Nampally, 18 km from Kachiguda and 10 km from Rajiv Gandhi International Airport. The participants may also hire private taxi or cab or auto directly from the Railway Station. Drop Location for Private cabs or Taxis: Extension Education Institute, Rajendranagar road.*

*Participants are advised to make their return journey reservations at their end before leaving to Hyderabad.*

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### TRAINING PROGRAMME ON

## Farmer Producer Organizations for Sustenance Agriculture

October 23<sup>rd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 (5 days)



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## Back Ground

Farmers as producers are unable to realize the right value of their produce. The defragmentation of land, lack of awareness, distrust in scientific practices, less inclination towards technology adoption led to under production against the optimal potential. The absence of adequate marketing infrastructure, presence of middle man, lack of collectivization effort resulted in grabbing less marketing opportunities and earnings. Collectivization of producers, especially small and marginal farmers, into producer organizations is emerging as one of the most effective pathways to address the challenges of agriculture and most importantly, improved access to investments, technology, inputs and markets. This is how the concept of Farmers Producer Organization (FPO) was born.

However, FPOs face significant operational and implementation challenges. Given the focus of the Government and the growth of FPOs in India, it is important to suitably address their capacity building needs. It was felt by EEI, Hyderabad that training of development officials on this aspect in turn helps FPOs to evolve into sustainable entities that can subsequently guide farmers and their households to make appropriate economic decisions. With this vision a five day on campus training was organized from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 (5 days) by EEI, Hyderabad for development officials of South Indian states. The programme is Coordinated by Dr. R. Vasantha, Professor, EEI.

### Objectives of training:

- To make the trainees aware of basic as well as advanced concepts in FPOs like registration, legalities, models, policies, guidelines etc.
- To inculcate understandings among participants on strategies for attaining sustainability in FPOs.
- To enhance knowledge on harnessing of inputs and marketing networks through FPOs.
- To impart skills on development of business plans.

### Course contents:

Farmer Producer Organisations: Extension strategies for farmer aggregations, FPO registration and strategies for sustainability, development of business plans, legal issues, role of stakeholders in promotion of FPOs, leadership skills, models in FPOs, increasing income and promotion of Agripreneurship through FPOs.

## Benefits :

1. After attending this training one becomes skillful in organizing FPOs back at their work places.
2. Trainee becomes skillful in providing back end support for sustaining an FPO.
3. Improves efficiency in Partnership modalities and promoting schematic linkages of various stakeholders in FPOs.

**Who can attend? :** Officials from departments of Agriculture, Horticulture, Animal husbandry, Fisheries, Soil conservation and soil survey, Forestry and industries department of Andaman and Nicobar islands, Sericulture and allied sectors, all development professionals from client states of EEI, Assistant Professors / Scientists / KVK professionals / DAATT centre Professionals, personnel from Non Government Organizations and any others who want to build or improve their skills related to FPOs.

**Duration:** 23<sup>rd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> October 2018 (both days inclusive). Participants are expected to arrive at least by 8 am on the morning of October 23<sup>rd</sup> and can leave after 1600 hrs on October 27<sup>th</sup> 2018.

**Boarding and Lodging:** The programme is fully residential. Participants will be accommodated in the Hostels at EEI campus and will be provided free boarding and lodging . Travel expenses of all the client department officials shall be met by EEI, Hyderabad, as per their eligibility except for officials from NGOs.

**Pedagogy:** Various techniques and pedagogy such as Icebreaking, Management games and group exercises, visit to successful FPO, Institutional visits etc are adopted in this course to help participants to feel the best touch of reality.

**Travel:** Greater Hyderabad is well connected by Air, Rail and Road with all parts of the country. Participants travelling by train should alight at Secunderabad or Hyderabad railway station. City transport service is available to reach the EEI.