

latest technology and enhancing farm production. It was also felt that the farmers are inclined to adopt climate smart agriculture practices, if they are made aware and empowered with technologies.



### Government Support to HKA

The Haryana Kisan Ayog successfully convinced the Government that out scaling of farm led innovations and filling the gaps in research are important to enhance farm income, agricultural sustainability and food security. Accordingly the State Government agreed to the suggestions of Haryana Kisan Ayog and provided funds as under:



- Agriculture Innovation Fund  
Rs. 3 crores earmarked in budget to identify and out-scale farmer led innovations
- Haryana State Agriculture Research and Development Fund  
Government allocated Rs. 6 crores for gap filling research. The Research projects can be submitted by the Universities, KVKs and ICAR institutes located in Haryana; State Departments of Agriculture, Horticulture, Animal Husbandry, Fisheries etc; and Institutions of standing including NGOs, KVKs, public/quasi-public and private institutes established in the State and are capable of undertaking research in areas recognized by the Haryana Kisan Ayog and HSAMB.

### Ayog Publications

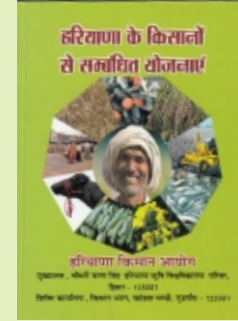
#### I. News Letter

Haryana Kisan Ayog Quarterly publishes Newsletter which carries valuable information with regard to reports published and other activities carried out by Ayog. The Newsletter also carries the information related to Department of Agriculture, Horticulture, Fisheries, Universities/ Institutions and line Departments. In this Newsletter the success story of a progressive farmer is also included to encourage other farmers. The innovations made by the farmers are also highlighted.



### 2. हरियाणा के किसानों से सम्बंधित योजनाएँ

Empowering farmers has always been the aim of the Government of Haryana and also the Government of India. Accordingly, farmers are supported through a number of schemes which provide assistance to the farmers for increasing their production, productivity, profitability and resource management. The Haryana Kisan Ayog has compiled all such relevant schemes, which are operational in Haryana and published a booklet to make farmers aware about the ongoing schemes. The booklet has been published in Hindi for the convenience of farmers. **One lakh copies of this booklet was published and distributed among farmers through KVKs, Kisan clubs functionaries of Department of Agriculture, Horticulture, Animal Husbandry & Dairy and Fisheries.**



### 3. फार्म रिकॉर्ड तथा लेखा



Keeping a sound record of daily on farm expenditure and income systematically helps farmers in better planning and enhancing their income. The farmers can use records to effectively manage their financial resources.

### 4. किसानों के लिए उपयोगी सुझाव

The State of Haryana is confronted with complex problems of soil and water management, ecological imbalances, labor shortage, inefficiency in production practices, increase in cost of cultivation and decrease in factor productivity. There fore, it is right time to address these problems and reorient our production practices for sustainable crop production and improved agro-ecological environment in the State. Keeping these problems into consideration, the Haryana Kisan Ayog has prepared this flyer for the benefit of the farmers.



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## Haryana Kisan Ayog



### At a Glance

As a progressive step to serve the cause of farmers of the State, Government of Haryana decided to establish Haryana Farmers' Commission on 15 July, 2010. It is commonly known as "Haryana Kisan Ayog" and has its Headquarter at Anaj Mandi, Sector-20, Panchkula, with a Camp Office at Kisan Bhawan, Khandsa Mandi, Gurgaon.

The commission is Chaired by Padma Bhushan Dr. R. S. Paroda, Former Director General, ICAR and Secretary, DARE, Govt. of India. Its members are Sh. Roshan Lal, Finance Commissioner & Additional Chief Secretary, Government of Haryana and Dr. K.S. Khokhar, Vice Chancellor, CCSHAU Hisar. Dr. R.S. Dalal is its Member Secretary.

### Objectives

1. To review the current status of Haryana agriculture, its performance, strength and weaknesses, assess the condition of different categories of farmers in various agro-climatic sub-regions and work out a comprehensive strategy for achieving sustainable and equitable agricultural development of the State.
2. To analyze the factors responsible for the decline in farm income and suggest measures to enhance income of the farmers.
3. To propose methods of enhancing the productivity, profitability, stability and sustainability of the major farming systems of the State.
4. To suggest a viable and compatible crop (including horticulture) - livestock - fish integrated system and synergy between agriculture and allied sectors.
5. To examine the current input use efficiency and functioning of the delivery systems for seeds, fertilizers, pesticides and credit and to suggest improvements therein.
6. To review the current status of water use in agriculture and suggest the measures to reform its efficiency.

### Reports Submitted to the Government

Various technical Working Groups involving eminent scientists and experts, have submitted their reports for onward submission to the Government. It is expected that these reports will help in strategic planning to make agriculture both buoyant and profitable occupation.

- 1) Draft Report on Haryana State Agriculture Policy
- 2) Working Group Report on Policy Issues and Options Based on Interface with Farmers
- 3) Working Group Report on Conservation Agriculture
- 4) Working Group Report on Natural Resource Management in Haryana
- 5) Working Group Report on Fisheries Development in Haryana.
- 6) Working Group Report on Development of Horticulture in Haryana



- 7) Working Group Report on Development of Protected Cultivation in Haryana
- 8) Working Group Report on Development of Animal Husbandry in Haryana
- 9) Working Group Report on Productivity Enhancement of Crops in Haryana
- 10) Working group report on Rainfed area development in Haryana
- 11) Working group report on linking farmers to market in Haryana

### Technical Working Groups

1. Post Harvest Technology and Value Addition for Haryana
2. Promotion of Honey Bee-Keeping in Haryana
3. Agriculture Extension in Haryana

### Important Recommendations of the Ayog Accepted by the State Government

- State Agriculture Policy adopted
- Interest rate of agricultural loans reduced to 4%
- Stamp duty on seeking agricultural loans waved off
- Soil health card issued to almost all farmers
- Kisan Credit Card (KCC) Issued to almost all farmers
- State Livestock Mission has been launched
- Water rates for fish ponds reduced considerably
- Steps taken to reduce area under rice and to promote diversification in R-W system
- Rolling plan for fodder seed production being prepared
- APMC Act being amended to delink fruits and vegetables
- Mandi fees exempted on vegetables and fruits
- Pay scale of ADO's revised

### Interface with Farmers, Planners and Scientists

To understand the farmers' problems, requirements and their capacity to change, Haryana Kisan Ayog organized workshops and interface programmes with farmers in which the planners and the scientists were also invited to interact. Important interactions were as under:

#### A. Workshops organized

Haryana Kisan Ayog has so far organized the following workshops

1. National Workshop on "Farmer Led Innovation" organized by the Ayog at CCSHAU, Hisar on 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2011
2. A workshop with women farmers was organized on 7 May 2011 at Hisar
3. Workshop on Empowering farmers for Climate Smart Agricultural Practices in Haryana on 28 September, 2012 at village Taraori, District Karnal
4. Seminar on "Prosperity through Diversification in Agriculture" on 22 December, 2012 at NDRI Karnal.
5. Organized a workshop on Organic Farming on 6 June, 2013.



6. National Workshop on "Out-scaling Farm Innovations" on 3-5 September at NASC, New Delhi in 2013
7. Seminar on "Opportunities for Youth in Agriculture" was held on December 21, 2013 at MDU, Rohtak, Haryana.
8. Brainstorming session on Integrated Pest Management in Cotton was held on 07 March, 2014 at HAMETI, Jind.
9. Workshop on "Post Harvest Technology and Value Addition for Haryana" was organized on 9 June, 2014 at CCSHAU Hisar.
10. Workshop on Honey Bee Keeping was held on 24 June, 2014 at Kisan Bhawan, Panchkula.

#### B. Important Meetings with Farmers

1. Meeting with dairy farmer at NDRI, Karnal on 9 September, 2010
2. Meeting with farmers at CSSRI, Karnal on 8 October, 2010
3. Four consultation meetings with farmers in each of the administrative division of the State
4. Meeting with progressive farmers from the State was organized on 3 April, 2011 and 25 Feb, 2012 at Hisar
5. Consultation with stakeholders on "Promoting Resilient Diversification Option through Maize and Climate-smart Practices" on 20 May, 2013 at CSSRI, Karnal
6. Organized interface with farmers of protected cultivation in Haryana on 5 June, 2013
7. Organized meeting with women farmers of Jind District working on IPM in cotton on 7.3.2014 and 30.6.2014. The continuous interaction of Haryana Kisan Ayog with the farmers through workshops/ interface has been very useful in understanding that the farmers have capacity to innovate and adopt the innovations towards overall agricultural development and enhancing their income. Similarly, the rural youth has reflected ability of entrepreneurship. However, the youth needs skill improvement, market access and attractive credit facilities to generate self-employment.



The women in Haryana contribute significantly towards agriculture production. Their skill improvement would further help in stimulating adoption of