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About CICTAB

At the instance of FAO, Centre for International Cooperation & Training in Agricultural Banking(CICTAB) was set up by the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Govt. of India as an autonomous institution with its head quarters at Vaikunth Mehta National Institute of Cooperative Management, Pune in January, 1983.

Scope & Functions

CICTAB through its member institutions promotes :

- International cooperation in the establishment and expansion of facilities for training in agricultural banking.
- Facilitates exchange of experience and information on harnessing of National systems of finance and banking for agricultural and rural development.
- Prominent activity focus of CICTAB is on programmes and practices relating to rural development with special reference to rural poor in developing countries of the SAARC region.

Management of CICTAB

Management of CICTAB is vested with General Council and Managing Committee consisting of representatives from member institutions in member countries.

**Shri Gyanesh Kumar,IAS,Secretary,
Ministry of Cooperation,Government
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(Promoted by Government of India and Food and Agriculture Organization of United Nations)

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Activities of CICTAB : Training Programmes

- **International Programme on “Developing Managerial Skills for Agricultural Cooperatives and Rural Financing Institutions” (CICTAB-NCDC-LINAC)**

17th – 21st July, 2023 at At LINAC, Gurugram

International Programme on “Developing Managerial Skills for Agricultural Cooperatives and Rural Financing Institutions” from 17th to 21st July 2023 organised by CICTAB in collaboration with National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) New Delhi at Laxmanrao Inamdar National Academy for Cooperative Research and Development (LINAC), Gurugram.

Dr Hema Yadav, Director, CICTAB & VAMNICOM inaugurated the programme in presence of Smt. Deepa Srivastava, Executive Director, LINAC, Shri Sandeep Gaur, Assistant Director, LINAC & Course Coordinator and LINAC team. Participants (total 16) from Member institutions from Sri Lanka (10) and Nepal (6) had participated in the programme. To achieve the programme objectives and to cover the programme contents the experts from LINAC delivered sessions on the topics: Cooperative as a Business Enterprise- Planning and Managerial Requirements, Self-Help Groups - Practices, Integration with Cooperatives and Impact, Primary Agricultural Cooperatives – Concept, Activities and Environment and Identifying Business Opportunities, Managing Rural Credit Operations including Role of Federal Bodies, Governance and Computerization Initiatives for RFIs/ Cooperatives, I.T. and Cyber Security for Cooperative Banks and Rural Financial Institutions.

A study visit was organised to Ujoli Primary Cooperative Society, Alwar, Rajasthan and DCCB, Gurugram. During these visits, participants were briefed about working of the society and bank respectively. Various doubts and queries raised by the participants were also resolved by the resource persons.

The participants from different cooperative organizations of Nepal and Sri Lanka made Power Point Presentations on the activities and businesses of their respective organizations to highlight the scenario, perspective, activities, achievements and opportunities in the area of development of agricultural cooperatives and rural financing sectors in their area of operations.

Certificate distribution ceremony was held by Dr. D. Ravi, Consultant, CICTAB in the presence of LINAC team.



Group Photo of International Programme on “Developing Managerial Skills for Agricultural Cooperatives and Rural Financing Institutions”

Dr. Hema Yadav, Director, VAMNICOM & CICTAB inaugurated the programme and delivering the inaugural speech



Study Visits to Ujoli Primary Cooperative Society, Alwar & DCCB, Gurugram Rajasthan

• “Management Strategies to develop Consumer Cooperatives” (CICTAB-VAMNICOM-DCD-NCC)

22nd – 25th August, 2023 at NCC, Colombo, Sri Lanka

International Programme on “Management Strategies to develop Consumer Cooperatives” from 22nd – 25th August, 2023 organised by CICTAB in collaboration with National Cooperative Council (NCC) of Sri Lanka at NCC Auditorium, Galle Road, Colombo.

Mr. D. Jeevanadan, Commissioner of Co-operative Development and Registrar of Co-operative Societies inaugurated the programme in presence of Mr. Chandana Prasad Jayasinghe, Honorary Chairman of the Rural Bank Federation of Sri Lanka and Vice Chairman of the National Co-operative Council council of Sri Lanka also the chairman Dambadeniya Multi Purpose co operative Society and Dr. D. Ravi, Consultant, CICTAB.

Participants (Total 25) out of which 10 were from Sri Lanka representing National Cooperative Council, SANASA, Sri Lanka from various Multi Purpose Cooperative Societies; Seven (7) from India representing NABARD, NCUI and NAFED; Eight (8) from Nepal representing Nepal Rashtra Bank, NEFSCUN & NCBL had participated in the programme.

To achieve the programme objectives and to cover the programme contents the experts from India and Sri Lanka delivered sessions on the topics: Status of Cooperative Movement in Sri Lanka, Challenges and way forward for Consumer Cooperatives, Category management Visit to a Cooperative Consumer Store, Colombo-NCC Faculty, How to plan a new store with retail matrices, Offers and schemes - Calculation with respect to Gross Profit, Country paper presentation-By the participants Principles of Layout and planogram, MIS Reports to improve efficiency and profitability Action Plan preparation – Group Exercise, Evaluation / Feedback & Valediction-Programme Team.



Mr. D. Jeevanadan, Commissioner of Co-operative Development and Registrar of Co-operative Societies inaugurated the programme.



Group photo of the international programme on “Management Strategies to develop Consumer Cooperatives”



Study Visit to Homagama Multipurpose Cooperative Society

- **“Agri value chain financing”
(CICTAB-MoC-VAMNICOM)**

28th - 31th August, 2023 at VAMNICOM, Pune

International Programme on “Agri Value Chain Financing” was organized at VAMNICOM, Pune. It was four days programme from 28th to 31st August 2023 having three days sessions and one day study visit.

Dr. Hema Yadav, Director, VAMNICOM & CICTAB inaugurated the programme in presence Dr. D. Ravi, Consultant, CICTAB and CICTAB team. Dr. D. Ravi, Consultant, CICTAB shared the idea behind the conduct of Agri value chain financing programme. He explained in brief about the planning of four days training programme. He also explained the session plan to participants.

Dr. Hema Yadav, Director, VAMNICOM & CICTAB in her inaugural speech shared that training programmes create learning experiences. Further she explained that in agri value chain financing every word has its own meaning and collectively it is very important term. Madam explained the value chain financing with the help of different examples to participants. On behalf of CICTAB, the Programme Director conveyed gratitude to the guests and participants.

A total of 43 participants have attended the programme from three countries viz., Nepal-23, India-4 and Sri Lanka-16.



Dr. Hema Yadav, Director, VAMNICOM & CICTAB inaugurated the programme in presence Dr. D. Ravi, Consultant, CICTAB and CICTAB team

Group photo of the programme



Study visit at KVK Baramati



Country paper presentation by Nepal participants

- **“Adopting Area Based Integrated Approach for Cooperative Development – An Experience of NCDC’s ICDP Scheme in Indian Context”
(CICTAB-NCDC-LINAC)**

11th – 15th September, 2023 at At LINAC, Gurugram

CICTAB organised an International Programme on “Adopting Area Based Integrated Approach for Cooperative Development – An Experience of NCDC’s ICDP Scheme in Indian Context” from 11-15 September, 2023 at Laxmanrao Inamdar National Academy for Cooperative Research and Development (LINAC), Gurugram, Haryana, India in collaboration with National Cooperative Development Corporation, New Delhi and LINAC, Gurugram.

The programme was inaugurated by Smt. Deepa Srivastava, Executive Director, LINAC in the presence of Mr. Randhir Kumar Singh, Deputy Director, LINAC and Mr. Sunil Dutt Vashisht, Deputy Director, LINAC. Smt. Deepa Srivastava, Executive Director, LINAC in her inaugural speech guided the participants on National Cooperative Development Corporation- A DFI for Cooperative in India.

Total 12 Participants from Nepal member institutions NEFSCUN (6), NCBL (4) and from Indian NCUI (2) participants participated in the programme.

Study visit of participants was arranged to Ujoli Cooperative Society, Alwar, Rajasthan to get a practical knowledge.



Inauguration of the an International Programme on “Adopting Area Based Integrated Approach for Cooperative Development – An Experience of NCDC’s ICDP Scheme in Indian Context”



Study visit was arranged at Ujoli Cooperative Society, Alwar, Rajasthan



Group photo of of the programme

Feedback:

Training was very good. We got the actual meaning of Agri value chain financing in the training.

"Mr. Ganesh Ghimire, Surunga Branch- ADBL, Nepal"

I got knowledge about how to adopting Area Based Integrated Approach in our country.

"Mrs. Janaki Devi Sanyal, Treasurer, Peoples Saving and Credit Cooperative Society Ltd, Kailali - NEFSCUN, Nepal"

Programme helped to improve the Managerial Skills of our officers.

"Mr. Jasentha Kanakananage Padamsiri, Coordinator-Social Protection COOPFED - Sri Lanka"

Training was good. Understand value chain concepts its competitiveness, be able to assess risks and identify strategic opportunities to strengthen value chains

"Mr. Siyambalagodage Chathura Prabath, AGM Administration-NCCSL, Sri Lanka"

Study visit was relevant. It teaches us how transportation, markets, and other infrastructure need to be linked to production and market information to achieve better results of AVC.

"Mr. Ravinder Singh Pathania, DGM (R.O. Patiala), The Punjab State Agricultural Development Cooperative Bank, Chandigarh- NAFCARD, India"

INTERNATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAMMES SCHEDULED IN OCTOBER- DECEMBER 2023

- International Programme on “Women Empowerment through Income Generating Activities” at NIBM, Pune, Maharashtra, India
- 3 – 6 Oct, 2023
- International Programme on “Agriculture & Rural Development through Cooperative Business Model” at IFFCO FMDI, Gurgaon, Haryana, India
- 3 – 6 Oct, 2023
- International Programme on “Digitalization and Financial Inclusion (For CEOs and Senior Executives)” at CAB, Pune, Maharashtra, India
- 9 – 13 Oct, 2023
- International Programme on “Cooperative Governance for the CEOs and Senior Executives of Cooperatives & Rural Financing Institutions “ at NIRDPR, Aizawl, Mizoram
- 30 Oct – 2 Nov 2023
- International Programme on “Programme on Innovation and Application of Financial Technology in Rural Financial Institutions” at VAMNICOM, Pune, Maharashtra , India
- 6 - 9 November, 2023
- International Programme on “Exposure visit Programme in SHG, JLG and Farmers Collectives (For CEOs & Senior Executives)” at CAB, Pune, Maharashtra, India
- 21 - 24 November, 2023
- International Programme on “Management Strategies for Sustainability of Cooperative Financial Institutions”
- November” at NICD, Polgolla, Sri Lanka
- 27 – 30 November, 2023
- International Programme on “Business Plan Development for Agri Business Enterprise for the Cooperatives and Rural Financing Institutions” at VAMNICOM, Pune, Maharashtra , India
- 4th – 8th December, 2023 (Online) 12th – 17th December, 2023 at VAMNICOM, Pune
- International Programme on “ on Project approach to Cooperative Development : Sharing Experience of NCUI Cooperative Education Field Projects” at NIRB campus Bangalore
- 18 – 21 December 2023

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