

Roles of different entities in the implementation of agri-clinics and agri-business centres scheme in India

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ABSTRACT

Agri-clinics and agri-business centres scheme is a subsidy based credit linked initiative of central government for the development of agriculture and rural sector through the employment generation and proper availability of agri-inputs, technical know-how, credit facility and market information to farming community. This package of practices and facilities are only possible through the agri-clinics and agri-business centres in rural areas and this will also generate the employment opportunities in the country. Agri-clinics and agri-business centres scheme is implementing through different governmental entities including national institute of agricultural extension management, national bank for agriculture and rural development, small farmer's agri-business consortium, directorate of agriculture and cooperation, nodal training institutes and Commercial banks to achieve the objective of the scheme by proper implementation throughout the country. This study paper review the roles and responsibilities of different agencies involved in the implementation of agri-clinics and agri-business centres scheme in the country.

KEY WORDS : Employment generation, Agri-clinics centres, Nodal training institutes, Monitoring, Evaluation

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