

Minutes of the Taluk level Agri- meetings with NGOs and agri-line Departments in Nagapattinam, Vedaranyam, PR Puram, Thirukadiyur and Sirkali.

August 21, 2005 – Morning Meeting at JDA office, Nagapattinam for Nagai Taluk.

Mr. Muthuvel, Joint Director of Agriculture, Mr. Mohammed Razeed, Assistant Director, Department of Horticulture, Mr. Nedumaran, Assistant Director, Department of Agriculture participated in the workshop. Mr. Chandrasekaran, NCRC briefed about the meeting to the local farmers, SHG leaders and panchayat presidents who had assembled there, he then handed over the dais to Mr. Chandra Mohan.

He elaborated about the activities of NCRC to the gathering and spoke about the immediate measures to be adopted both in short-term and long-term basis and asked the NGOs who were present there to introduce themselves to the villagers for better co-ordination.

He then formulated a list of NGOs working in Nagai Taluk to the farmers. They are:

In South Palpanicherry out of the 45 hectares affected Avvai has agreed to take 20 hectares.

North Palpanicherry 60 hectares – Avvai 20 and CCD 40.

Melanagur 31 hectares – DWCDs and CCD. DWCDs is willing to take village.

North Poigainallur -183.08 hectares. Kudumbam has agreed to take 100 hectares and AID or CCD would look after 36 hectares.

South Poigainallur – 195.5 hectares. TOFM has agreed to take 189 hectares.

There was some reaction from the farmers that in the town area near about 40 acres (from Collectors Bungalow to Government Hospital) were not touched by any NGOs for land reclamation. They had asked to cultivate soil erosion plants in the coastal areas.

Mr. Muthuvel during his vote of thanks speech said that the farmers has to do the immediate measures recommended by NCRC and has to co-operate with the NGOs who are working in that taluk. The department had received more than 25 applications from the taluk for tractors, it is been discussed for approval, he added.

Noon Meeting at Thirukadiyur, Hotel Guru for Tharagambadi Taluk

Mr. Chandrasekaran, NCRC gave a brief introduction on NCRC and the purpose of organizing such a meet and spoke about the immediate measures to be adopted both in short-term and long-term basis and asked the NGOs who were present there to introduce themselves to the villagers for better co-ordination.

He then charted out the list of NGOs working in Tharagambadi Taluk.

Maruthampallam -123 hectares. Kudumbam 64 and RIM -60

Pillaiperumalnallur – 154 hectares. PEDDA -25, Kudumbam -27 and Best 104

Kalamanallur – 241 hectares. CCD 108.2, RIM 90, Kudumbam 46

Manickapanku -194 hectares. PEDDA 109 and CCD 102

Sathankudi – 90 hectares. PEDDA 23 and Efficor -60

Erukkattancherry -189 hectares. PEDDA 89, Kudumbam 65

Poraiyar -142 hectares. Efficor 40 and Kudumbam 100.

Keelaperumpallam – 5.2 hectares. Kudumbam has agreed to take it.

Mr. Muthuvel, Joint Director of Agriculture participated in the meeting and gave the vote of thanks.