<u>Proceedings of 23rd District Level Research Extension Interface meeting held</u> at KVK, Mayurbhanj-II on 13th April 2018

The 23rd District Level Research Extension Interface meeting of Mayurbhanj district was held in the campus of KVK, Mayurbhanj-II on 13th April 2018 for the month of April under the chairmanship of Prof. H.K. Patra, Associate Director of Research, RRTTS, Keonjhar.

This joint meeting of both KVKs of Mayurbhanj district was conducted amidst the representatives from line departments like agriculture, research institutions, agri-preneurs, NGO and bank personnel. After the welcome address by the convener i.e. Senior Scientist & Head of KVK, Mayurbhanj-II, the action taken report on the recommendations of the last R-E meeting was presented before the house by different stake holders as follows.

In the outset of the meeting, the SS&H, Mayurbhanj-II have welcomed the participants and after brief introduction of the delegates, both KVK heads have presented the action taken on the proceeding of the last RE meeting. As per decision of the last meeting the project proposal of the agro-entrepreneurs for bank linkage were sent to the concerned departments as well as to the Collector & District Magistrate. It was informed to the house on the intervention on fruit and vegetable cultivation to be enhanced and widely disseminated to more areas with the help of NGO personnel. Solar Cold Storage in large scale in the district in order to avoid distress selling of vegetables in peak period is to be promoted.

The both KVKs have presented their achievement of last year i.e. 2017-18 and draft action plan for the coming year 2018-19 discipline wise by individual scientists. The whole house have suggested in these field which are to be considered and modified as follows.

Summary of discussions and decisions of the House

- 1. It was suggested as a copy of project proposals for bank linkage should be submitted in DCC meeting in the chairmanship of Collector and District Magistrate along with line department for more effective linkage.
- 2. For small scale management, in weedy ponds and seasonal ponds anabas (Kau fish) and clarias (Magur) may be promoted.
- 3. Agri-entrepreneur may be encouraged to submit large scale project on maize based value added product.
- 4. Proposal for infrastructure development in KVK may be submitted in proper channel to NABARD for necessary funding.
- 5. The activities by the NGOs like PRADAN and others engaged on the agricultural fields will be collaborated with KVKs and a large workshop is to be arranged in the KVK premises to design collaborative activities in way of better coverage.
- 6. The action plan is to be modified by both the KVKs as per suggestions given by the house and it is to be presented in the Zonal Research Council meeting to be held on 17th April at RRTTS, Keonjhar.