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दनिांक/Dated: 18.11.2026

Subject: **Constitution of State-Level Task Force (SLTF) and District-Level Task Force (DLTF) for AgriStack in the Union territory of Ladakh.**

Reference:- D.O. No. Z-11021/6/2026-Digital Agriculture Dated: 09.09.2026 from Additional Secretary, Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Government of India (*copy enclosed*).

Order No. 79-LA-Agri (UTL) of 2026
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Sanction is hereby accorded to the constitution of State-Level Task Force (SLTF) and District-Level Task Force (DLTF) in the Union territory of Ladakh for the saturation of AgriStack data and identifying innovative, scalable applications for its full utilization, implementable AgriStack-enabled use cases based on real life challenges that deliver tangible benefits and measurable outcomes for farmers, improve public service delivery, strengthen agricultural value chains and promote evidence based planning.

State-Level Task Force (SLTF)

The composition of the State-Level Task Force (SLTF) shall be as under:-

S. No.	Designation	Role
1.	Commissioner/Secretary, Agriculture/Horticulture Department	Chairperson
2.	Administrative Secretary, Revenue Department	Member
3.	Administrative Secretary, PHE/I&FC Department	Member
4.	Administrative Secretary, Finance Department	Member
5.	Administrative Secretary, Planning Development & Monitoring Department	Member
6.	Administrative Secretary, Rural Development & Panchayati Raj Department	Member
7.	Administrative Secretary, Social & Tribal Welfare Department	Member
8.	Administrative Secretary, Information Technology Department	Member

9.	Director/Head, Economics & Statistics Department	Member
10.	Director, Horticulture Department	Member
11.	Joint Director/HOD, Agriculture Department	Member-Secretary
12.	Additional Commissioner in the office of Divisional Commissioner	Member
13.	State Informatics Officer, NIC	Member
14.	UT Level Nodal Officer, AgriStack	Member
15.	Representatives of a sufficient seniority/experience from NABARD, KVK, School of Agriculture Sciences & Technology (SAS&T), University of Ladakh and Banking Institutions	Member(s)
16.	Relevant Technical Experts/Stakeholders associated with implementation of Digital Agriculture	Member(s)
17.	Any other Member(s) co-opted by the Chairperson	Member(s)

District-Level Task Force (DLTF)

District-Level Task Forces are constituted in all the districts of UT of Ladakh. The composition of DLTF shall be as under:-

S. No.	Designation	Role
1.	Deputy Commissioner of the concerned District	Chairperson
2.	Assistant Commissioner, Revenue / Sub-Divisional Magistrate	Member
3.	Assistant Commissioner Development (RD & PR Department)	Member
4.	Chief Planning Officer	Member
5.	Chief Agriculture Officer/District Agriculture Officer/Senior Officer of the Agriculture Department in the District	Member-Secretary
6.	Chief Horticulture Officer/District Horticulture Officer/Horticulture Development Officer	Member
7.	Executive Engineer, PHE/I&FC Department	Member
8.	District Informatics Officer, NIC	Member
9.	Representative of Economics & Statistics Department	Member
10.	Representatives of NABARD/KVK/School of Agriculture Sciences & Technology (SAS&T), University of Ladakh and Banking Institutions	Member(s)
11.	Relevant Technical Experts/Stakeholders associated with implementation of Digital Agriculture in the concerned district	Members(s)
12.	Any other Member(s) co-opted by the Chairperson	Member(s)

The Terms of Reference (ToR) of the above Task Forces shall be as under:-

i. Identify data gaps and ensure saturation of Farmers' Registry, Farmer IDs and land records.
ii. Facilitate integration and validation of agricultural land parcels and Digital Crop Survey data.
iii. Identify district-specific agricultural challenges and innovative digital solutions.
iv. Assess data availability, quality, implementation feasibility and expected benefits of each use case.
v. Identify suitable pilot projects and scalable best practices.
vi. Ensure data privacy, security and compliance with applicable policies.
vii. Consolidate and submit thematic-area-wise proposals to the Ministry through the UT Nodal Officer.
viii. To further act on the instructions and the Thematic Areas (Annexure-II) prescribed in the communication of the Ministry enclosed herewith.

The Agriculture Department shall function as the Nodal Department. Further, the Joint Director/HOD, Agriculture alongwith the UT Level Nodal Officer, AgriStack shall coordinate with the Ministry and District Task Forces, monitor progress, consolidate proposals and ensure timely uploading on the designated dashboard.

The Member-Secretaries of DLTF shall coordinate district-level implementation, while the Revenue Department and NIC shall provide land-record validation and technical support, respectively.

By order of the Administration of UT of Ladakh.

Sd/-
(Shurbir Singh) IAS,
Commissioner/Secretary,
Agriculture Department, UT of Ladakh.

Copy to the:-

1. Additional Secretary, Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Government of India. This is in reference to D.O. No. Z-11021/6/2026-Digital Agriculture Dated: 09.09.2026.
2. All Administrative Secretaries.
3. Secretary to the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, UT of Ladakh.
4. All Deputy Commissioners.
5. All Heads of the Departments.
6. All Member(s) of the above constituted SLTF/DLTF.
7. OSD to the Chief Secretary, UT of Ladakh for information of the Chief Secretary.
8. I/c NIC, Ladakh for uploading on official website.
9. PA to the Commissioner/Secretary, Agriculture Department, UT of Ladakh for information of the Commissioner/Secretary.
10. Office record/e-file (Comp No. 54005).

(Dr. Mohammad Usman Khan) JKAS,
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Dated:18.11.2026

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D.O. No. Z-11021/6/2026-Digital Agriculture **Dated: 09.09.2026**

Dear Madam/Sir,

This is regarding the constitution of District and State-Level Task Forces for the saturation of AgriStack data and identifying innovative, scalable applications for its full utilization. This follows from the directions given during the PRAGATI Review of AgriStack held on 25 August 2026, for structured bottom-up brainstorming starting at the District level, followed by deliberations at the State and Central levels. The exercise will culminate nationally with review of progress and presentation of the best practices and innovative use cases that finally emerge from such deliberations.

2. The exercise is expected to go beyond general suggestions to identifying innovative, implementable AgriStack-enabled use cases based on real life challenges that deliver tangible benefits and measurable outcomes for farmers, improve public service delivery strengthen agricultural value chains and promote evidence based planning.

3. To take the initiative forward, the States/UTs are requested to constitute a District-Level Task Force (DLTF) for all Districts and a State-Level Task Force (SLTF) at the earliest. The composition may be adapted to suit local institutional arrangements, while ensuring participation of young district officers, relevant line departments, technical experts, and other stakeholders associated with implementation of digital agriculture. **An indicative composition with the terms of reference is given in Annexure-I**.

4. The Task Forces will undertake brainstorming around mutually distinct thematic areas. An indicative list of thematic areas is given in **Annexure-II**. States/UTs and Districts may add or combine themes where necessary. The content of the Annexure-II may be appropriately incorporated in the order constituting the DLTF and SLTF.

5. Before submitting their respective detailed inputs, DLTF and SLTF are requested to conduct Use case-wise appraisal on benefits that will accrue, implementation challenges, data management, etc.

6. As envisaged in PRAGATI Review, the exercise has to be completed at the earliest. Accordingly, the States/UTs are requested to issue orders constituting the SLTF and DLTFs by **15 September 2026.** Thereafter, the State/UT and District Task Forces are expected to complete structured brainstorming and upload their respective thematic area-wise proposals by **31 October 2026**. Thereafter, upon evaluation at the Central level, leading use cases and best practices will be presented at a National Summit for the way forward on pilot implementation or national-scale adoption.

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7. This Department is developing a dashboard for the District and State Task Forces to upload their respective use case proposals. States/UTs are requested to designate a **State Nodal Officer** for coordination, timely uploads and progress monitoring.

I solicit your kind intervention in timely constitution of the District and State Task Forces, meaningful participation of all relevant stakeholders and securing completion of the exercise within the prescribed timelines.

With Regards,

Yours faithfully,

(Pramod Kumar Meherda)

The Chief Secretaries (All States/UTs)

ANNEXURE-I

Indicative Composition of Task Forces

A. District-Level Task Force (DLTF)

i. Chairperson: District Collector/District Magistrate/Deputy Commissioner.
ii. Member-Secretary/Convener: District Agriculture Officer or appropriate senior officer.
iii. Core representation (as deemed appropriate): Revenue/Land Records/Survey and Registration; Horticulture; Irrigation/Water Resources; Soil & Water Conservation; Cooperation; Food & Civil Supplies/Procurement; Panchayati Raj/Zilla Parishad; Tribal Affairs where relevant; district Economics & Statistics; NIC/IT; Lead District Manager/NABARD; etc.
iv. Young district officers, technical experts and other stakeholders associated with implementation of digital agriculture

B. State-Level Task Force (SLTF)

i. Chairperson:

(a) Preferably, Chief Secretary, or

(b) ACS/Principal Secretary/Secretary (Agriculture) or a suitable senior officer.

Co-chairmanship may be considered with Revenue/Land Records or another relevant department, where appropriate.

ii. Member-Secretary/Convener:

(a) Secretary, Agriculture Department, where Chief Secretary is the Chairperson

(b) Director/Commissioner of Agriculture or State AgriStack Nodal Officer, where Chairperson is other than the Chief Secretary.

iii. Core representation (as deemed appropriate): Agriculture; Revenue/Land Records/Survey; Registration; Horticulture; Cooperation; Food & Civil Supplies/Procurement; Finance; IT/e-Governance; Irrigation/Water Resources; Tribal Affairs; NIC; State Remote Sensing Centre; State Economics & Statistics; SAUs/research institutions; NABARD/SLBC/banking; Agricultural Marketing Board, etc.
iv. Young district officers, technical experts and other stakeholders associated with implementation of digital agriculture

C. Terms of Reference

i. Decide mutually distinct thematic areas for issue-led brainstorming. An Indicative list of Thematic Areas is given at Annexure.
ii. Identify priority problems, assess data readiness, document best practices and shortlist high-impact use cases.
iii. For each use case, specify the target user, present process or gap, data required and its source/quality, proposed workflow, institutional owner, expected measurable benefit, feasibility and implementation dependencies, pilot pathway and potential for replication. AI/ML proposals should additionally specify the decision to be improved, validation approach and appropriate human oversight.
iv. Submit the firmed up consolidated proposals to the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare by 31 October 2026.

ANNEXURE-II

Indicative Thematic Areas for Brainstorming

1. Foundational Data Quality, Land/Survey Integration and Interoperability

Indicative Discussion Points: A reliable and reusable data foundation for all other use cases; Identification and resolution of gaps/inconsistencies in Farmer Registry, coverage of all tenant farmers /sharecroppers/ patta holders etc, geo-referenced land records and Digital Crop Survey; Improved workflows for survey, mutation/registration and land-record issues that affect AgriStack usability; Interoperability with relevant State/Central agriculture and allied systems through common standards/APIs, while adhering to privacy and security as per law and data sharing policy; avoiding duplicate registries; Data-quality monitoring, updation cycles, and accountable institutional ownership.

2.Farmer Access, Identity and Scheme/Service Delivery

Indicative Discussion Points: Simplify inclusive access to schemes and farmer-oriented services through verified Farmer ID; reduce repeated document submission; and enable transparent, traceable delivery of inputs and benefits. For instance, use of Farmer ID and verified land/crop data for need-based sale of seeds, fertilizers and pesticides, linked with dealer stocks and transactions for crop-appropriate recommendations, traceability, demand planning and checks against duplication or diversion.

3. Farm Production, Crop Planning and Extension

Indicative Discussion Points: Better farm decisions; Crop planning and personalized agronomic advisories using crop, land location, soil, weather, agro-climatic zone and irrigation context; Integrated nutrient management and linkage of soil-health information with crop/farm context; Precision agriculture and targeted extension, including research/KVK/SAU-supported recommendations.

4. Risk Management, Crop Monitoring and Insurance

Indicative Discussion Points: Enable early risk detection, contingency planning and production forecasting; improve crop-insurance enrolment and crop validation; and strengthen evidence-based loss assessment and mitigation.

5. Markets, Procurement, Logistics and Post-Harvest Value Chains

Indicative Discussion Points: Use crop, variety, location, irrigation source, input-cost and projected-production data to map raw-material catchments; plan agro-processing, aggregation, storage, cold-chain and logistics infrastructure; establish cluster-based physical/e-Mandi access; share relevant price intelligence; and connect farmers/FPOs with processors and buyers.

6. Agricultural Credit and Financial Services

Indicative Discussion Points: Improved access to appropriate institutional finance; Consent-based digital workflows for agricultural credit using verified farmer/farm/crop attributes; Improved credit assessment; Integration/convergence opportunities with authorized banking/NABARD/financial-sector farmer-service systems.

7. Agricultural Planning and Statistics

Indicative Discussion Points: Evidence-based government planning and resource allocation based on crop-area and production estimation; Agri Census;

8. Combine datasets/technologies for Integrated Agri Value-Chain Planning:

Indicative Discussion Points:

a) Combine AI with crop, weather, agro-climatic conditions and other relevant data to identify patterns and predict production scenarios and market intelligence.

b) Combine AgriStack data on land location, crop, variety with irrigation sources (canals, wells, etc), input costs, etc for better-targeted agroprocessing/ post-harvesting infrastructure investment, farm-to-factory/market linkages, reduced post-harvest losses and improved market access and price realisation for farmers.

9. Other Innovative Use Cases: Any additional, outcome-oriented application of AgriStack, independently or in combination with other databases/registries.

SOP for Taskforce for Agristack

Follow the below steps for document upload

1. Open URL www.agriwelfare.gov.in
2. Go to 'OFFERING' tab on main menu bar
3. Click on 'Taskforce for AgriStack' under the dropdown menu.
4. A new login window page shall open.
5. Enter your User ID and Password [shared to all the States/ UTs from central ministries team]
6. After successful login- Home page will reflect.
7. In State Nodal Login there are following tab options:
    a. Dashboard: To monitor the count of documents uploaded by the respective Districts Nodal / State Nodal.
    b. 'View Uploaded Documents': To view / download all the documents uploaded by the respective Districts Nodal / State Nodal. Maximum 5MB of document is allowed for upload.
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    b. Full Name of District Nodal
    c. Email
    d. Mobile number
    e. Password
    f. Role: By default, will be DNO
    g. Select District Name from Dropdown
9. In case any previously created user forgot the password, then State Nodal can click on -Manage Users-> then click on edit option -> set the new password for that particular userID.
10. My Profile: Change Password after login by the individual user.