

Press Release

The 14th meeting of the State Level Empowered Committee constituted under State Balanced Growth Fund was held on 08.09.2020 in the State Development Policy Council under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Vice Chairman, State Development Policy Council. In the meeting proposals for the development of backward blocks worth of **Rs.10.65 crore** were discussed and approved. In that meeting projects for improving the livelihood of turmeric growing farmers were discussed. The Hon'ble Vice Chairman, SDPC, Citing the initiatives of the Government to protect Tapioca farmers through formation of SAGO SERVE, suggested that a similar system should be established to protect the turmeric farmers from the clutches of middle man. Thiru. Anil Meshram, I.A.S., Member Secretary, SDPC highlighted the importance of Marketing avenues for improving the livelihoods of farmers. Hence Hon'ble Vice Chairman, SDPC opined that the cartel for Turmeric should be studied in detail jointly by departments of Horticulture, Agriculture Marketing & Agri Business and Tamil Nadu Agricultural University and report could be submitted to State Development Policy Council.

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