Resolutions of Annual Regional Planning and Review meeting, 2018

- 1. The Regional Planning and Review Meetings for Agriculture were reinstituted as an annual event last fiscal year but budgeting for the participants and responsibility to prepare agenda were unclear. Hence, the house asked the concerned coordinating ARDCs to budget TA/DA for the participants from client districts. The house also asked that the agenda for Regional Review and Planning Meeting be prepared by coordinating ARDCs in consultation with the concerned central agencies, central programs, client districts and relevant agencies. Action: ARDCs.
- 2. In the last Regional Planning and Review Meeting, the lead agency was asked to budget for the collaborative activities. However, who should prepare the budget TA/DA for the staffs from collaborator agencies is not mentioned. Therefore, the current house agreed that the collaborator agencies will budget TA/DA for their staffs involving in any collaborative activities. Action: Central programs/agencies, Commodity Programs, DAOs, and ARDCs.
- **3.** The house recommended NSSC, NPPC and ARDC-Yusipang (NOP) to carry out necessary tests on organic inputs before making it available to end users. The house also recommended the concerned agencies and programs to propose budget and promote organic inputs. Action: NSSC, NPPC and ARDC-Yusipang.
- 4. The issue for recruiting permanent power tiller operators and unavailability necessary spare parts was raised during previous RR&P meeting still remains an issue. Therefore, the house recommended FMCL to sit with the Gewog Tshogdu and Dzongkhag Tshogdey and carry out necessary study on the need for operators and spare parts (of power tillers) at gewog level. The house also recommended FMCL to recruit permanent/contract operators (whichever feasible). For the same issue, the house asked the District Agriculture Office to submit the annual plans and targets requiring machineries. Action: FMCL and DAOs.

- 5. Several incidences were reported on misuse of Glyphosate to keep away weed in electric fencing system and drying potato foliage by farmers. Due to harmful effect of the Glyphosate on human and ecosystem, the house asked the relevant officials to create awareness on harmful effects of the pesticide, inform and discourage farmers from misusing glyphosate while NPPC should explore for alternatives of glyphosate so that farmers can discontinue the use of glyphosate. Action: DAOs, EOs, NPPC and other relevantagencies.
- 6. Despite carrying out numbers of research and developmental activities, the data on proper production (yield), and other important information were observed to be lacking. Hence, the house recommended researchers, EOs and concerned officials to maintain proper facts, figures, production data and net return of any crop production. The house also recommended that officials conducting major Citrus Canopy Management to record before and after program production difference and maintain in database. Action: Researchers, DAOs, EOs, and other relevant officials.
- 7. Several incidences on the misuse of loans availed for establishing mushroom enterprises by farmers were reported. Therefore, the house asked the National Mushroom Center to maintain information and monitor loans availed for agriculture adventures by farmers. The house also asked NMC to produce recommended/standard mushroom shed designs, checklists and cost estimates establishment so that ARDCs (small enterprises) and NMC (large enterprises) can monitor loan sanctions for the proponents during clearance approval. Action: NMC and ARDCs.
- **8.** Issues on use of non-uniform mushroom production technology across the country were raised. Therefore, the house recommended NMC to standardize the mushroom production procedures and produce standard manuals to be used uniformly. **Action: NMC.**

- **9.** The house asked ARDC Bajo and Citrus Program to coordinate Citrus Rehabilitation Campaign at national level so that. The house also recommended DoA to consult Dzongkhag Tshogdey and Gewog Tshogdu on different approaches (top-down, bottom-up and community based) to carry out Citrus Rehabilitation. Action: Citrus Program and ARDC Bajo.
- **10.**The house recommended NOP on strengthening and up-scaling of the existing organic enterprises producing vermin-compost, bio-slurry and other organic manures rather than establishing new enterprises. The house asked NOP and NSSC to submit list of organic entrepreneurs/enterprises to DoA and call up for consultation meeting with various entrepreneurs to enhance coordination and linkages. Action: NSSC, and NOP.