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महोदय /Sir,

**विषय Sub:- Material for inclusion in the report on the significant events of the
Ministry for the period from 23.5.2016 to 22.6.2016 – reg.**

The Important Events/discussions/decisions pertaining to Coir Board for the period from 23.5.2016 to 22.6.2016 are furnished below.

S&T ACTIVITIES

- The Board developed Chess Board pawns from Coir and Polyester using coir fibre and pith in natural colours and pigmented in Black/White. The Moulds were fabricated in Fiber glass using the master coins purchased from the market.



- Fabricated a prototype of Soundless Fibre Extraction Machine.
- The Board signed an MoU for undertaking a Collaborative Project on “Studies on Coir pith as an adsorbent in pollutant removal from waste water” with College of Engineering, Trivandrum”.

- The R& D technologies developed by the Board viz the pollution free technologies of Biochem treatment for quality improvement of coir fibre, composting of coir pith using PITHPLUS, development of COCOLAWN, Coir Net House, Setting up of vertical garden and utilization of tender coconut husks as compost/ disposable glass/ paper were demonstrated and explained to the visitors from Erode, Tamil Nadu.
- The study on biodegradation of coir pith using fish waste / poultry litter as a substitute to Urea as nitrogen supplement has been taken up in our R&D institute. Samples of biodegraded coir pith were collected at frequent intervals from the composting heap and analyzed conforms to the standard values.
- The Board participated in the Seminar organized by MSME Training Institute, Thiruvalla at Social Service Society, Ranni on 25.05.2016. All the coir products developed by CCRI & CICT were displayed on the occasion and brochures on the technologies/schemes/services of Coir Board were distributed to the interested visitors.
- Laying of Cocolawn was demonstrated at REC, Thanjavur during the period from 29.05.2016 to 31.05.2016.
- Coir based handmade paper glass and paper box were produced at the Coir Technology Incubation Centre.

COIR UDYAMI YOJANA

During the period from 23.5.2016 to 21.6.2016, the Board released an amount of Rs.61,07,200/- towards subsidy for setting up of 31 units under the Coir Udyami Yojana scheme as detailed below.

State	Units (Nos.)	Amount (Rs.)
Andhra Pradesh	13	42,00,000.00
NER (Guwathi)	14	6,46,000.00
Maharashtra	4	12,61,200.00
Total	31	61,07,200.00

COIR VIKAS YOJANA

DOMESTIC MARKETING

During this month Board has participated/ is participating in the following exhibition.

Sl. No.	NAME OF EXHIBITION	PLACE	PERIOD
01	14 TH Folk Fair	Puri, Odisha	28-29 June
02	National Science Festival along with world environment day celebrations	Purba Medinipur, West Bengal	5-9 June
03	Naharlagun Festival cum 1 st international trade fair 2016	Naharlagun, Arunachal Pradesh	20 th June to 8 th July 2016

The 2nd MDP organized by Coir Board with Indian Institute of foreign Trade, New Delhi inaugurated at Royal Court, Madurai.

EXPORT MARKETING

SFURTI

Review meeting of clusters in Kerala under SFURTI-II Phase -10.06.2016

Review the progress of implementation of clusters in Kerala under SFURTI (2nd phase) was held on 10.06.2016 at the Conference Hall of Coir Board, Coir House, Kochi. The Committee reviewed the progress of implementation of SFURTI in the three Clusters in Kerala such as Balussery, Haripad and Neyyattinkara, which were got final approval from the SSC of Ministry of MSME, for 2nd phase implementation of SFURTI. The Technical Agency for the clusters in Kerala, M/s.EDII, Thrissur was described the action taken by them in these clusters. The representatives of Implementing Agencies and Cluster Development Executives were also present in the meeting. The paramount importance for completion of activities like Setting up of CFCs with a definite timeline was highlighted in this meeting.

National workshop on SFURTI at Ni-msme, Hyderabad on 17.06.2016-18.06.2016

Board participated in the One day National Level Workshop on SFURTI organized by the Ministry of MSME at NI-MSME, Hyderabad on 17.6.2016. In this connection an interactive session was held on 18.06.2016 chaired by the Hon'ble Secretary, Ministry of MSME. The Officials from Coir Board, representatives of Technical Agencies, Implementing Agencies, Cluster Development Executives and SPVs of the clusters which were got final approval from the Ministry for 2nd phase implementation of SFURTI made a high blend of cluster togetherness for the workshop.

Visit of Hon'ble Minister of State for Rural Development, Govt. of Maharashtra

Shri.Deepak Vasant Kesarkar, the Hon'ble Minister of Finance and Rural Development, Govt. of Maharashtra visited Coir Board on 21st -23rd June 2016 and held discussions with Chairman and other Senior officials of the Board. He also made a visit in the coir factories and units in Alleppey to have a firsthand information to set up coir units in Maharashtra State.

BOARD MEETING

Shri B.H.Anilkumar, Joint Secretary for MSME, Govt. of India addressed the 220th meeting of Coir Board and had a fruitful interaction with the Board Members.

The International National Yoga Day – 2016 has been celebrated in all Board's establishment on 21.6.16.

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भवदीय/Yours faithfully,

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