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**PROFORMA FOR SUBMISSION OF INFORMATION AT THE TIME OF SENDING  
THE FINAL REPORT OF THE WORK DONE ON THE PROJECT**

1. **TITLE OF THE PROJECT:** - “Impact of Krishi Vignan Kendra on the Livelihoods of Farmers in Dakshina Kannada District”
2. **NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR:-** Dept of Rural Development, School of Social Work, Roshni Nilaya, Mangaluru – 575 002 DK district, Karnataka
3. **NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE INSTITUTION:** - School of Social Work, Roshni Nilaya, Mangalore
4. **UGC APPROVAL LETTER NO. AND DATE:** - F. No: 2155-MRP/15-16/KAMA034/UGC-SWRO DATED -31- MARCH -2016 & 02-APRIL-2016 (DIARY NO: 2634)
5. **DATE OF IMPLEMENTATION:** 11- May-2016
6. **TENURE OF THE PROJECT:** - May 2016- May 2018
7. **TOTAL GRANT ALLOCATED:** - Rs. 55,000/-
8. **TOTAL GRANT RECEIVED:** - Rs. 35,000/-
9. **FINAL EXPENDITURE:** - Rs. 57,180/-
10. **TITLE OF THE PROJECT:** - “Impact of Krishi Vignan Kendra on the Livelihoods of Farmers in Dakshina Kannada District”
11. **OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT:-**
  - To assess the socio economic status of farmers before and after coming into contact with KVK.
  - To find out various problems related to farming in the district
  - To understand the level of awareness with regard to KVK activities in agriculture sector among the farmers
  - To assess the impact of KVK and its programmes on farmers in bringing about positive change in them.

- To explore and suggest appropriate recommendations on the functioning and Management of KVK.

## 12. WHETHER OBJECTIVES WERE ACHIEVED: Yes

**Socio Economic status of farmers:** Socio-economic indicators such as primary and secondary occupation, type and amount land possession, type of farmers, income of the farmers, religion and caste, etc was covered in the study.

**Problems related to farming:** Problems related to loan, availability of seeds, irrigation, manure, pest control, marketing, etc was dealt under the study. Below are the highlights;

- A majority (66%) of the respondents said that they did not face loan related problems, while 20.5 percent of them stated that they have loan related problems.
- A majority (68%) of the respondents said that they did not face problems with regard to availability of seeds, while 18.5 percent of them stated that they faced problems with regard to the availability of seeds.
- A majority (63%) of the respondents said that they did not face irrigation related problems, while 23.5 percent of them stated that they faced irrigation related problems.
- A majority (77%) of the respondents said that they did not face manure related problems, while 3.5 percent of them related that they have manure related problems.
- A majority (68%) of the respondents said that they did not face pest related problems, while 18.5 percent of them stated that they have pest related problems.
- A majority (72%) of the respondents stated that they had no problems in agriculture, while 14 percent of them stated that they faced labour related problems. 4.5 percent of the respondents stated that they faced problems related to power/voltage, while a similar percent (3%, 2%, and 1%) stated that they faced problems related to price of the manure, market related problems, problems during rainy season, low fertility of soil and diseases that harm the crops, respectively. A very few respondents (0.5%) stated that they were worried about the wild animals entering their fields.

**Awareness with regard to KVK:** Level of awareness was assessed and below are the highlights;

- A majority (97.5%) respondent said that they have knowledge on KVK.

- A less than one-fourth (22%) of the respondents stated that they got information about KVK from their friends, while 14.5 percent of them stated that they got information about KVK from Self Help Groups.
- A majority (56%) of the respondents stated that they did not get knowledge about KVK through other sources, while 16 percent of them stated they got information through Agricultural Department/ Raitha Samparka Kendra and other Departments.
- A majority (75.5%) of the respondents said that they had awareness on training programmes organised by KVK, while 21.5 percent said that they were not aware about training programmes from KVK.
- A relative majority (43.5%) of the respondents stated that they were aware of the Soil Testing Programme conducted by KVK, while 38.5 percent of the respondents stated that they were aware of the animal husbandry programmes organised by KVK.

#### **Impact of KVK and its programmes on farmers:**

- A majority (57%) of the respondents stated that there was an impact of the programmes conducted on the family income, while 33.5 percent respondents said that there was no impact of the programmes conducted on the family income of the farmers
- Nearly less than one-fourth (17.5%) of the respondents stated that they benefited by purchasing a vehicle, while 14 percent of the respondents stated that they benefited and it helped them in building a house/ renovation of house.
- A majority (64%) of the respondents stated that the KVK was able to reach out to the other farmers in the locality and 36 percent of them stated that they were not able to reach the farmers in their locality.

**Recommendations on the functioning:** During the study, the respondents also shared their suggestions based their experience. A copy of this would be given to KVK centre so that they could adopt these suggestions in their functioning and management. (Chapter 5.2)

#### **13. ACHIEVEMENTS FROM THE PROJECT:**

The project outcome will be shared with the KVK management so that the findings and recommendations could be applied in their future action plan.

Two articles were published in International Journals. Here are the details;

1. An Article “Socio-Economic Impact of Krishi Vignan Kendra on the Farmers in Dakshina Kannada District, Karnataka”published in an International Journal of

Research in Social Sciences (IJRSS) under the wings of International Journals of Multidisciplinary Research Academy (IJMARA) Vol. 8 Issue 6, June 2018, ISSN: 2249-2496 Impact Factor: 7.081 Double-Blind Peer Reviewed Refereed Open Access International Journal - Included in the International Serial Directories Indexed & Listed at: Ulrich's Periodicals Directory ©, U.S.A., Open J-Gate as well as in Cabell's Directories of Publishing Opportunities, U.S.A

2. An Article “An Assessment of Awareness and Impact of Krishi Vignan Kendra on the Farmers in Dakshina Kannada District, Karnataka” Published in an International referred research Journal Research Discourse. Vol. VIII No.XXVI, Jan-March 2018, ISSN 2277 -2014 Impact Factor: 2.471

#### **14. SUMMARY OF THE FINDINGS:**

To summarise, Krishi Vigyan Kendra has contributed positively in enhancing the adoption level of farmers in various aspects of agricultural production technologies. KVK practices created great awareness and motivated the other farmers to adopt appropriate production technologies. Indeed the efforts of the KVK seemed to have a positive effect in enhancing the farmers' technical knowledge on agricultural production technologies. Due to the interventions of KVK scientists in training, demonstrations activities, on farm trials and other extension activities helped in enhancing the enhancing the knowledge level of farmers which in turn led higher adoption of agricultural production technologies. However, in order to achieve greater impact on farmers and their livelihood KVK has to strive with greater efforts and efficiency. KVK has to reach out more and more farmers in remote villages to really benefit the needy farmers. The study also reveals that few respondents felt that many farmers do not know of the existence of KVK and quite a few percentages of the respondents are unaware of various services/programmes provided by KVK.

#### **15. CONTRIBUTION TO THE SOCIETY:**

It was noted that people in remote villages got aware of existence of KVK and its programme during the process of data collection. Now they know that they could seek KVKs assistance and guidance with regard to KVK.

One copy of the project report will be submitted to Krishi Vignan Kendra, Dakshina Kannada, so that the findings and suggestions derived out of the project will be applied in their future plan of action.

The Principal Investigator is planning hold a discussion with KVK Co-ordinator, subject experts, scientists and other staff in near future.

**16. WHETHER ANY PH.D. ENROLLED/PRODUCED OUT OF THE PROJECT: NO**

**17. NO. OF PUBLICATIONS OUT OF THE PROJECT: - TWO**

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