

I The particulars of its Organisation function and duties – Organisation chart

The Directorate of Cashewnut& Cocoa Development functioning at Kera Bhavan, SRV School Road, Cochin, Kerala is a subordinate office of the Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, of the Union Ministry of Agriculture, New Delhi. The Directorate is a National Level Agency implementing Cashew and Cocoa Programmes/Schemes under the aegis of National Horticulture Mission(NHM) from the year 2005-06 onwards. During the XII plan with effect from 2014-15, NHM has been included as one of the component of massive Centrally Sponsored Programme sanctioned by Govt. of India i.e Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture(MIDH) alongwith other programme for promotion of horticulture implemented by various agencies to ensure focused approach to avoid overlapping in implementing the scheme. DCCD is one of the National Level Agency(NLA) responsible for implementing Cashew and Cocoa programmes and schemes under MIDH.

b) Function and duties

- 1) Formulation, implementation, Co ordination and monitoring of Cashew and Cocoa Development Programmes in India under Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH)
- 2) To maintain close liaison with SHMs, Central and State Institutions of Research and Development.
- 3) To function as a feed back agency between development and research departments/institutes
- 4) To co-ordinate the activities of the promotion of the crops of Cashew and Cocoa between SHMs, Central and State Institutions with the Ministry of Agriculture.
- 5) To function as a repository of information on area, production, processing, marketing, exports and pricing situations of these commodities.
- 6) To function as an advisory organization on administrative, financial and technical aspects involved in the promotion of these crops.
- 7) To provide adequate exposure and dissemination of technologies to the interested quarters on production and processing.

- 8) Taking up intensive publicity measures such as publishing journals, books, pamphlets, organization / participation of Seminars, Workshops and Exhibitions.
- 9) Development of planting material for cashew and cocoa. National agency approved by the Govt. of India for accreditation of Cashew and Cocoa Nurseries.

C – Organisation chart

