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Addendum to revised guidelines for Cluster Development Programme

With reference to the Cluster Development Programme (CDP) Guidelines, clause Annexure 5: Business Case Evaluation Matrix (Part A), it has been observed that the existing scoring criteria prescribed for evaluation of business case needs modification for FPOs/FPCs/Cooperatives. Accordingly, in order to promote and strengthen FPOs/FPCs/Cooperatives under the Programme, the scoring criteria has been revised as below:

#	Criteria	Marks		Max Score
		For companies & other legal entities	For FPOs/ FPCs/ Farmer Cooperatives	
Applicant's Profile (30 Mark)				
1	Turnover of the Applicant			5
	Turnover > 3.5 x	5		
	2.5 x <Turnover ≤3.5 x	3		
	1.5 x <Turnover ≤2.5 x	2	5	
	1.0 x <Turnover ≤1.5 x	1	3	
	<i>X denotes Project cost</i>			
2	Export linkages / Trade experience of horticulture crops in number of countries (Over last 5 years)	1 mark per country	5 marks for ≥2 countries 3.5 marks for 1 country	5
3A	Average Value (AV) of focus crop exported in last 5 years		Not applicable	5
	AV > 20 Cr.	5		
	15 Cr. <AV≤20 Cr.	3		
	5 Cr. <AV≤15 Cr.	2		
	1 Cr. <AV≤5 Cr.	1		
3B	Value of equity mobilized from farmer members <ul style="list-style-type: none">Minimum 100 member equity shareholders for North Eastern & Himalayan regionMinimum 300 member equity shareholders for rest of India	Not applicable		5
	>50 Lakhs from the members		5	
	>35 Lakhs from the members		3	
	>25 Lakhs from the members		2	

4	Experience in Pre-production and Production related projects of more than 1 Cr.			5
	3 or more	5		
	2 projects	3	5	
	1 project	1	2.5	
5A	Experience in Post-harvest management and Value addition related projects of more than 5 Cr.		Not applicable	5
	3 or more	5		
	2 projects	3		
	1 project	1		
5B	Experience in Local value addition (sorting, grading, cleaning etc.)	Not applicable		5
	Final value of value added product > 5 Cr.		5	
	Final value of value added product > 3 Cr.		3	
	Final value of value added product > 2 Cr.		2	
6	Experience in Logistics, Marketing and Branding related projects of more than 1 Cr.			5
	3 or more	5		
	2 projects	3	5	
	1 project	1	3.5	

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