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Sir,

Sub:- Information under RTI Act, 2005 – Information sought - Reg.

Ref:- RTI application Registration No. NIAEM/R/E/25/00005, dt. 19/02/2025- Reg.

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With reference to your above cited RTI application, the information sought pertaining to MANAGE is furnished in the enclosed **ANNEXURE** for your information.

If the applicant is not satisfied with the information, you may file an appeal to the First Appellate Authority within 30 days of receipt of reply of CPIO. The name, designation and complete address of the First Appellate Authority of this Institute is as under:-

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F.No. 13-5/2023-EM (E-129292)  
Government of India  
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare  
Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare  
(Extension Division)

Room No. 244-A, Krishi Bhawan  
New Delhi-110001  
Dated: the 26<sup>th</sup> December, 2024

To,  
The Director General  
National Institute of Agricultural  
Extension Management (MANAGE)  
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**Subject: AC&ABC-Report on Verification of ventures reported by the NFI, SRISTI Foundation, Patna during the Financial Years 2022-23 and 2023-24-reg.**

- Ref: 1. Letter of even number from Extension Division dated 28.06.2024.  
2. Office order of Extension Division with even number dated 17.10.2024.

Madam,

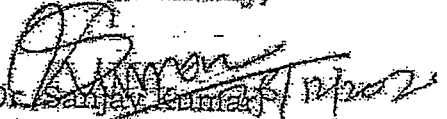
As per the references cited above, the committee constituted to verify the ventures reported by the NFI, SRISTI Foundation, Patna, Bihar, as established by the candidates trained by the NFI under AC&ABC programme, during the years 2022-23 and 2023-24, has completed the verification and submitted the report.

The report with key findings and recommendations is attached herewith for kind information and necessary action.

This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

Encl: As above.

Yours faithfully,

  
(Dr. Sanjay Kumar)

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**Verification of Ventures Reported by the Nodal Training Institute (NTI) - Society for Rural Industrialization & Social Transformation Initiatives (SRISTI), Patna, Bihar, during the Financial Years 2022-23 and 2023-24.**

**1. Background:**

Dr. J. P. Yadav, Joint Director (Extension), Directorate of Extension, along with Sh. Vinod Sahu, Deputy Director (BAMETI), Patna, Bihar, had undertaken visits to Nalanda, Patna, Vaishali & Muzaffarnagar districts of Bihar on 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> June, 2024 for random verification of Agri-ventures established by the trained candidates of M/s. SRISTI, foundation, Patna, Bihar during 2022-23 & 2023-24 under AC&ABC Scheme.

During physical verification, total 8 established ventures were visited. It has been found that out of eight candidates, none of them have established any venture as per guidelines after availing training from M/s. Srishti Foundation, Patna (F. No. 13-5/2023-EM (129292 dated 28 June 2024).

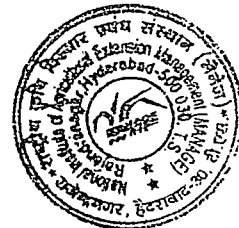
In view of above facts, the Joint Secretary (Extension), recommended to constitute three-member Committee (one from DA&FW, one from MANAGE & one from State Department of Agriculture) and verify more ventures established during last 2 years in the State of Bihar trained at M/s. Srishti Foundation. It was also decided that fresh training may not be allotted to M/s. Srishti Foundation, Patna till the submission of report by the Committee.

Accordingly, the three members committee was constituted (Office Order no. F. No. 13-5/2023-EM- (E-129292) dated 17 October, 2024) comprising of Shri. D. David Rajkumar, Joint Director (Extension) Directorate of Extension, DA&FW, Dr. Shahaji Phand, Deputy Director & Principal Coordinator AC&ABC, MANAGE, Hyderabad and Dr. Rajesh Kumar, Deputy Director, Department of Agriculture, Bihar (Later, Mr. Rupesh Luhani, Deputy Director, BAMETI was nominated by Director, BAMETI in place Dr. Rajesh Kumar in view of some unavoidable circumstances) for verification of agriventures established by the candidates trained under the NTI – M/s-SRISTI Foundation, Patna, during the years 2022-23 and 2023-24.

**2. Report on Verification of Ventures Reported by the Nodal Training Institute (NTI) M/s. SRISTI. Foundation. Patna. Bihar**

The Committee conducted the verification of ventures on 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> of November, 2024. Since there was time constraint, the committee felt to take help of grassroot level officers of Agriculture Department, Bihar, particularly ATMA team, for physical verification of the ventures.


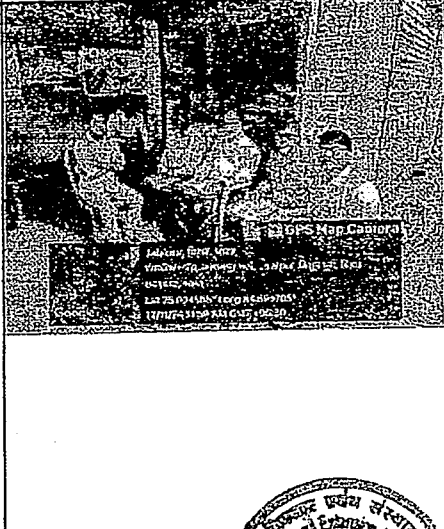
Before, Physical verification, the committee assessed the status telephonically. It was observed that, M/s-SRISTI Foundation, Patna has trained 170 candidates and submitted 98 success stories during 2022-23 and 2023-24. The committee initially verified 98 agriventures telephonically, and found that, out of 98 ventures reported, 43 were found to be active, 24 inactive, 20 unestablished ventures. Further, contact couldn't be established with the remaining 11 ventures owing to change/non-existence of phone numbers available on the database.




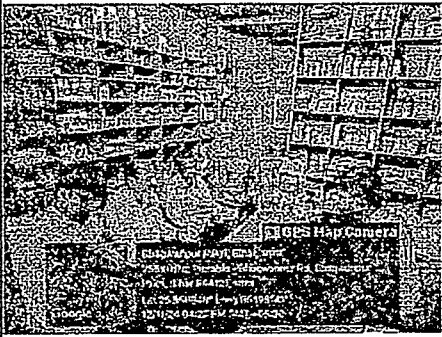

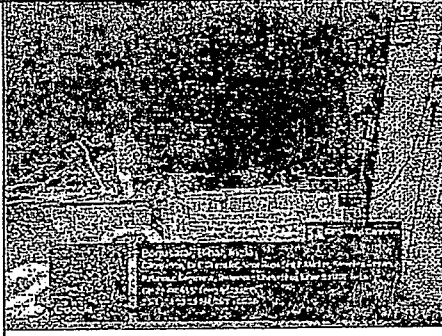
The Committee members decided to verify 18 ventures, out of which the Committee has visited 6 ventures physically and rest 12 verified by the ATMA team by visiting at venture site. On reaching venture site, the ATMA team collected information and called the Committee members through Video/Audio call with agriprenurs.

Accordingly the ventures were inspected by the committee members as well as ATMA team on 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> of November, 2024.

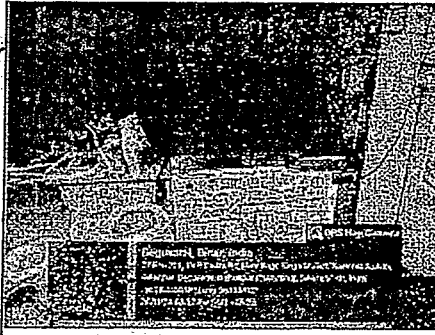
The observations and recommendations of committee are presented below;


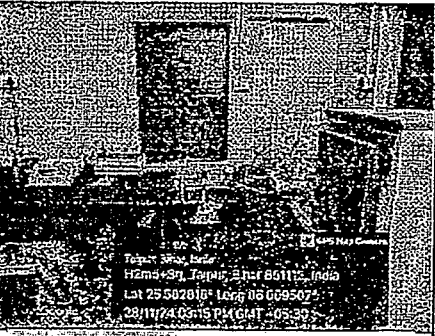
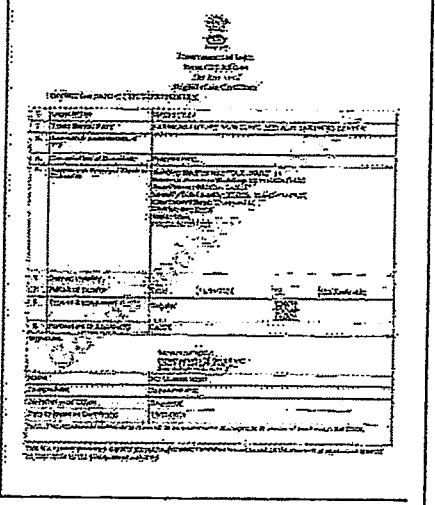
Sr. No.	Details of the candidate trained under AC&ABC	Photographs	Remarks
1.	<p>Mr. Rohit Prakash S/o. Om Prakash Prasad ID. No.; BHR 5492 Graduation: Bsc (Forestry) Mobile No. 7209236257 Name of Enterprise: Kisan Ghar Address: Anaith, BazariMohalla, PS- Navada, Zero Mile Ara, Bhojpur, Bihar</p> <p>Details obtained from the Agriprenneur:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Agri-input Enterprise with expertise in drip irrigation started in August 2022 with an own investment of Rs. 30 Lakh.</li> <li>■ Serving over 450 farmers covering 100 villages.</li> <li>■ Presently the annual turnover of ₹45 lakhs and a profit of ₹10 lakhs.</li> <li>■ He has employed 5 persons.</li> <li>■ No bank loan sanctioned</li> </ul>		<p>The trained candidate expanded his already established agriventure in partnership with his brother. No hand holding support received from NTI. Successfully running the business.</p>
2.	<p>Mr. Rohan Kumar Singh S/o. Arun Kumar Pankaj ID. No.; BHR 5643 Graduation : Msc (Agri) Mobile No. 9525754765 Name of Enterprise: Nil Address: Jalalpur Thana- Bishunpura, Dist-Saran, Bihar. Details given by the candidate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Started agri-advisory services in March 2023 with an annual turnover of ₹2.5-3 lakhs, serving over 40-45 farmers covering over 15 villages ( Note: He</li> </ul>		<p>In the report submitted by NTI, it is mentioned that the agriprenneur invested Rs.1.50 Lakh for establishing agri input shop. But on verification it was found that he has not established any agriventure. He told that he is doing some consultancy.</p>



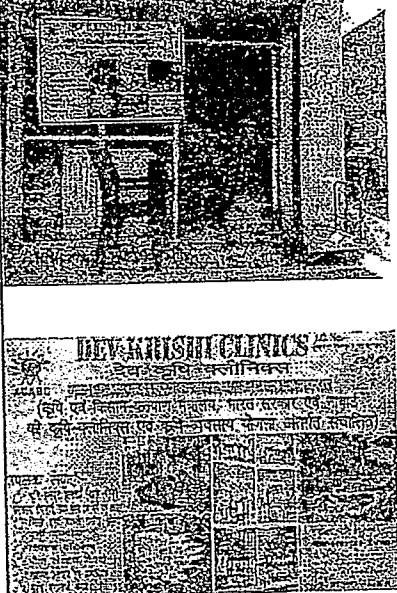
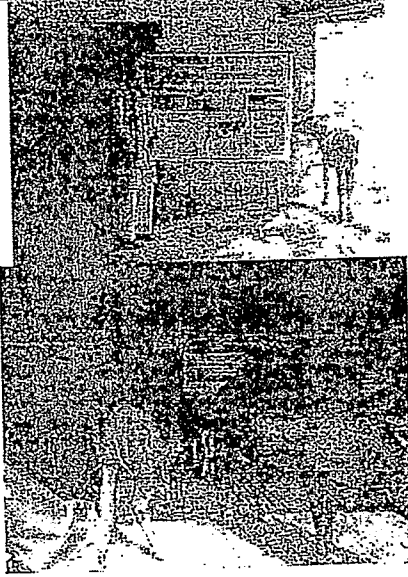
	<p>has no proof / documents to show for verification)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ No bank loan obtained.</li> </ul>		<p>His verbal statements have been found to lack reliability. He has completed the training programme from this NTI in the middle of his PG programme which is non-compliance of scheme guidelines.</p>
<p>3.</p>	<p>Mr. Deepak Kumar S/o. Sunil Kumar Singh ID. No.; BHR5576 Graduation: Msc (Agri) Mobile No. 9525754765 Name of Enterprise: Deepanjali Seed Farm Address: Bhagwanpur Pakari; Haat- Laxminarayanpur; Lalganj, Vaishali, Bihar Details obtained from the candidate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Seed Production and Sales Enterprise started in May 2023 with an own investment of Rs. 1.75 Lakh</li> <li>▪ Serving over 15 villages and covering 1000-1500 farmers.</li> <li>▪ Presently the annual turnover of ₹6 lakhs and a profit of ₹2.5 lakhs.</li> <li>▪ He has employed two persons.</li> <li>▪ No bank loan sanctioned</li> </ul>	 	<p>This agripreneur has an agri-input shop established by his father. Additionally, he applied for seed production licence, however, he started seed production without obtaining licence for seed certification.</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p>Mr. Nipun Bhardwaj S/o. Bigau Choudhari ID. No.; BHR5517 Mobile No. 7004331211 Name of Enterprise: M/s. Bhardwaj Agri-Business Address: A/P- Panshalla, Bhairwa, Begusaral, Bihar Details given by the candidate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Serving over 200 farmers covering over 10 villages.</li> <li>▪ Annual turnover of ₹15 lakhs and a profit of ₹1.5</li> </ul>		<p>This candidate was contacted through ATMA Extension functionary and interacted with team over phone. As per the information given by him, he has established Agri Input shop. He has not submitted any documentary</p>

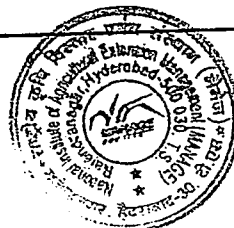


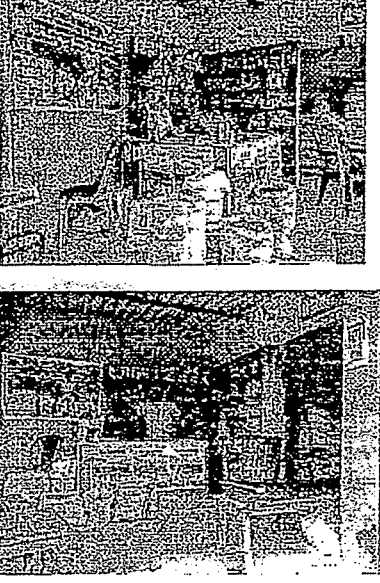
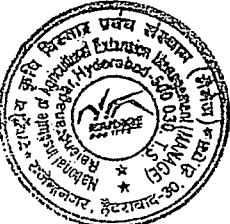
	<p>lakh.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Generated employment for 2 persons.</li> <li>No bank loan sanctioned</li> </ul>		<p>proof like Pesticide/ fertilizer retail License in his name. Hence, it may not be considered as his own agriventre.</p>
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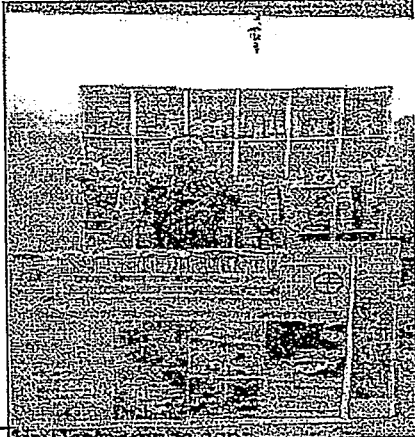
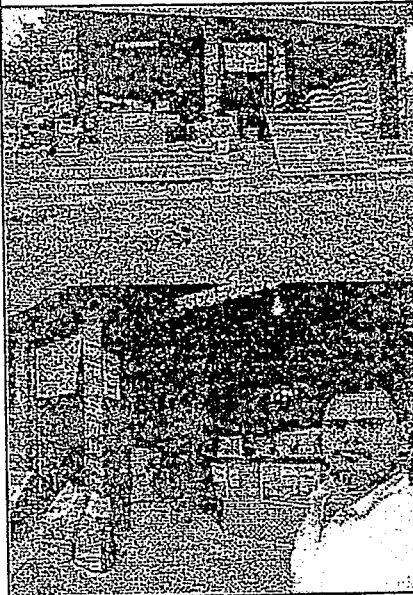
<p>5.</p>	<p>Mr. Rachit Raj S/o. Ram Kumar Mahto ID. No.: BHR5574 Graduation: Msc(Agri) Mobile No.: 8340109344 Name of Enterprise: ' Farmers Future' Soil Testing Lab Address: A/P- Harichak, Begusaraj, Bihar</p> <p>Details obtained from the candidate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Serving over 250 farmers covering over 18 villages</li> <li>Annual turnover of ₹7-8 lakhs and a profit of ₹2 lakhs</li> <li>Employed 1 person</li> <li>No bank loan sanctioned</li> </ul>	  	<p>This candidate was contacted through ATMA Extension functionary and interacted with team over phone. Photos of his lab and Registration document sent by him. He stated that he is collecting Rs.300/ sample. Based on all information collected, it may be considered as venture established.</p>
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<p>6.</p>	<p>Mr. Manoranjan Kumar S/o. Raman Kumar ID. No.: BHR5621 Mobile No.: 8384853899 Name of Enterprise: Dev Krishi</p>		<p>This candidate was contacted through ATMA Extension functionary and</p>
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	<p>Clinic Address: A/P- Ward No.13,Rajakpur, Begusarai, Bihar Details provided by the candidate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Serving over 250 farmers covering over 8-9 villages.</li> <li>▪ Annual turnover of ₹10 lakhs and a profit of ₹2.5 lakh Agri-input</li> <li>▪ Employed 1 person.</li> <li>▪ No bank loan sanctioned</li> </ul>		<p>interacted with team over phone. He has not sent the license for fertilizer/ pesticide in his name for retail selling. Temporary banner shown in the photo is not reliable. It may not be considered as venture established.</p>
7.	<p>Ms. SubulKumari D/o. Manj Prasad Singh ID. No.: BHR5640 Mobile No.: 7546975407 Name of Enterprise: Subul Dairy Address: A/P- PabraManjhaul, Begusaraj, Bihar Details given by the candidate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Dairy farm with 10 animals</li> <li>▪ Annual turnover of ₹6 lakhs and a profit of ₹3.5 lakhs</li> <li>▪ Employing 1 person.</li> <li>▪ No bank loan sanctioned</li> </ul>		<p>This candidate was contacted through ATMA Extension functionary and interacted with team over phone. She has not established any dairy farm. She is maintaining few milch animals owned by her family. It may not be considered as venture establishment by the candidate.</p>
8.	<p>Mr. Abhishek Kumar Tyagi S/O. Vijay Kumar Tyagi Ballia, Lakhmina, Bihar ID. No: BHR 5494 Mobile No.: 7004461324 Details given by the candidate: Agri-input Enterprise by at with an annual turnover of ₹3-4 :crores and a profit of ₹60 lakhs, serving over 1000 farmers covering 200 villages, employing 9 people.</p>	No Photographs send	<p>This candidate was contacted through ATMA Extension functionary and interacted with team over phone. He is looking after Agri Input shop established by his father in 1992. He has not established any agriventure on his own.</p>



9.	<p>Mr. Gaurav Kumar S/o. Ramadhar Prasad Singh Pabra, Begusarai, Bihar. ID.No. BHR5567 Mobile No. 7078098731 Details given by the candidate Having Dairy and Goat Farm with an annual turnover of ₹25 lakhs and a profit of ₹3.6 lakhs, serving over 100 farmers covering over 5 villages, employing 4 people.</p>	No Photographs send	While contacting him over phone, he told that he has applied for bank loan for establishing Dairy farm and no proof of any venture establishment so far is obtained from him
10.	<p>Mr. Kishan Kumar S/o. Malik Dubey ID. No.: BHR5579 Mobile No.: 7277111287 Name of Enterprise: ManokamnaKrishi Kendra (Agri- input shop) Address: Block -A/P- Shyampur, Block-Bairiya, (West Champaran, BettlahMangalpur Main road Near Nautan Pandey Tola), Bihar</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Serving over 900-1000 farmers covering over 10-12 villages.</li> <li>■ Annual turnover of ₹50 lakhs and a profit of ₹3.5 lakh.</li> <li>■ No bank loan sanctioned</li> </ul>		The candidate has not produced any license in his name for fertilizer/ pesticide retail sale of Agri input shop.
11.	<p>Mr. Anand Kumar Gupta S/o. Ashok Sah ID. No.: BHR5589 Mobile No.: 7764952641 Name of Enterprise: Mahavir Enterprises (Goat Trading) Address: A/P: ChaugainBhojpur, Bihar Details given by the candidate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Annual turnover of ₹2.5 lakhs</li> <li>■ Generated employment for 2 people</li> <li>■ No bank loan sanctioned</li> </ul>	No Photographs send	The candidate was contacted well before reaching his place. But he avoided the team visiting his place by delaying to reach in time. There is no proof for his Goat farm venture establishment.
12.	<p>Mr. Chandra Bhushan Upadhyay S/o. Late Narendra Upadhyay ID. No.: BHR5635 Mobile No.: 7488058913 Name of Enterprise: ShivanshKhad Beej, KitaknashakBhandar Address: A/P: Tulsai, Nawada, Bhojpur, Bihar Details given by the candidate:</p>		The information collected from him over phone is not reliable. He has not produced any documents such as license for his Agri input shop. It

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Serving over 200-250 farmers covering over 3-4 villages.</li> <li>▪ Annual turnover of ₹2.5 lakhs and a profit of ₹25-30 thousand.</li> <li>▪ No bank loan sanctioned</li> </ul>		<p>seems the banner with same design and pictures prepared for such candidates from Begusarai, Bhojpur and West Champaran merely for showing to inspection team.</p>
13.	<p>Jayprakash Tiwari S/o. Krishna Tiwari ID.No. BHR5584 Mobile no. 8709264122 Address: Turhapatti, PachimChamparan Bihar.</p>	No Photographs send	No proper details given by the candidate. He has not established any agriventure.
14.	<p>Mr. Ark Raj S/o. Kashi Nath ID. No.: BHR5535 Mobile No.: 77650225555 Name of Enterprise: Champaran Enterprises-Agri-input shop Address: AP; Santghat chowk main road, SantGhat Rd, Bettiah, WestChamparan, Bihar</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Started in Feb-2024</li> <li>▪ Approximately, 200 farmers are served in 20 villages</li> <li>▪ Turnover- 4-5 lakh</li> </ul>		The candidate was contacted over phone and collected the information. This may be considered as established venture.
15.	<p>Mr. Yuvraj Kumar S/o. Anil Kumar Pandey (BHR5411), KutariNaromurar, Nawada, Bihar One venture on agri-advisory services established at by with an annual turnover of ₹10 lakh and a profit of ₹1 lakh, serving over 800-900 farmers covering 7 villages, was observed to be inactive for the last 20 days.</p>	No Photographs send	The candidate was contacted over phone through ATMA team and collected the information. It was observed that, venture is inactive for the last 20 days.
16.	<p>Mr. Anjani Kumar S/o. Satyendra Kumar ID.No,BHR5414 Mobile ; 8920638889 Address; Handia, Nawada, Bihar (Agri-clinicas in the report was found unestablished.</p>	No Photographs send	Not established any Agri venture. His father told that his son is living in Bilaspur now.
17.	Mr. Gaurav Kumar Pandey	No Photographs send	Information



	S/o. DhananjayKumarID.No. BHR5324 Mobile No. 8340438700 Address; Ghosi, Jehanabad, Bihar Details given by him; Agri-advisory Services being by him with an annual turnover of ₹10 lakhs and a profit of ₹1 lakh, serving over 80-100 farmers covering over 2-3 villages.		collected over phone after reaching nearby district Bhojpur. No relevant documents received from him for such venture establishment.
18.	Mr. Nitesh Kumar S/o. Manoj Prasad ID.No. BHR5582 Mobile No. 7254883345 Address; Manyhariya, PashchimChampran, Bihar.	No Photographs send	Not established any venture on his own.

### **3. Key finding by the Committee:**

**3.1.** M/s. SRISTI Foundation, Patna has trained 170 candidates and submitted 98 success stories during 2022-23 and 2023-24. The committee initially verified 98 agriventures telephonically, and found that, out of 98 ventures reported, 43 were found to be active, 24 inactive, 20 unestablished ventures. Further, contact couldn't be established with the remaining 11 ventures owing to change/non-existence of phone numbers available on the database. Out of 43 ventures reported as established, 18 ventures were cross checked during the visits of committee members on 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> November 2024. Only 3 ventures have been found existing.

**3.2.** During the earlier visit of DA&FW official on 9<sup>th</sup>&10<sup>th</sup> June, 2024, for physical verification of ventures, it was observed that, of the total 8 established ventures visited, none of them found established.

**3.3.** It is concluded that, the report of venture establishment as submitted by the NTI, SRISTI for the period 1.04.2022 to 31.03.2024 under Agri-Clinics and Agri-Business Centers, is found as a false report and not reliable.

**3.4.** The DPR, submitted by the candidates trained under this NTI, have been submitted as proof of venture establishment by the NTI.

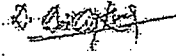

**3.5.** It is noteworthy that nearly all the agri-entrepreneurs flagged the lack of adequate support from Nodal Officer of M/s-SRISTI Foundation, Patna and from banks in Bihar for availing loans which will prosper their business.

### **4. Recommendations of the Committee:**

**4.1.** Based on the facts and figures, and the physical verification of agriventures established by the candidates trained under the NTI, M/s-SRISTI Foundation, Patna, it is recommended that allocation of training to the NTI may be withheld until the NTI proves with proper documentary support verified by designated officials as per AC&ABC guidelines that it has attained 50% success rate in establishment of agriventures by the candidates trained during the last two years (2022-23 to 2023-24).

**4.2.** The criterion of achievement of 50% success rate in venture establishment by the candidates trained during the previous completed year, shall be strictly followed for allotment of training during the next year, invariably for all NTIs.



Sr. No.	Name, Designation of Committee Member	Sign
1.	Shri. D. David Rajkumar, Joint Director (Extension) DA&FW, MoA&FW, GoI	
2.	Dr. Shahaji Phand, Deputy Director & Principal Coordinator-AC&ABC, MANAGE, Hyderabad	
3.	Mr. Rupesh Luhani, Deputy Director BAMETI, Patna, Bihar	