



49th Meeting of Governing Council (GC) Bankers Institute of Rural Development (BIRD), Lucknow

The 49th Meeting of the Governing Council of BIRD was held under the Chairmanship of Dr G R Chintala, Chairman, NABARD on 10 December 2020 at BIRD Campus, Lucknow. Dr G R Chintala, Chairman, NABARD and Shri P V S Suryakumar, DMD, NABARD, alongwith all the other Hon'ble members participated through online mode. Dr N Jeyaseelan, CEO, Virutcham Academy for Changemaker LLP was present on the occasion.

Shri S A Pande, Director, BIRD, Lucknow welcomed all the GC members and shared the major achievements of BIRD during 2020-21. He apprised the members about the induction of Dr M D Patra, Deputy Governor, Reserve Bank of India as a member of the Governing Council of BIRD, Lucknow. Director, BIRD also informed that as National Nodal Training Institution for FPOs, BIRD has developed a draft training framework which was appreciated by all the stakeholders.

Dr G R Chintala, Chairman, in his introductory remarks, reiterated NABARD's commitment towards maintaining BIRD as a Centre of Excellence. Chairman advised BIRD to refine and strengthen the online mode of training delivery and laid emphasis on collaboration with other professional institutions for making the training content contextual and aligned to current trends.

Chairman also informed that BIRD is intensifying its efforts toward developing the entrepreneurial capacities of the FPOs, particularly in the light of the Centrally Sponsored Scheme for formation of 10,000 FPOs. Outlining the broad contours of GC, he sought the support of Hon'ble members regarding emerging needs of capacity building, studies and other interventions that could be taken up by BIRD.

Summing up the deliberations, Chairman, in his concluding address, thanked all the members for their valued contribution.

The meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks by Director BIRD, Lucknow.

Some photographs taken during the occasion -



