Tour note of Shri Rameshwar Das, Managing Director, TFDPC Ltd. on 25.10.2015 to South-I Division.

Visited Kalsimukh RPC, Abhangacherra RPC and Haripur Plantation Centre along with Shri Anjan Sen, D.M, South-I.

1. Kalsimukh RPC:-

   Reached Kalsimukh RPC at about 10.00 A.M.. Shri Fatik Jamatia, O/C, Kalsimukha RPC was present and other staff were also present.

   (a) In Kalsimukh RPC till the month of September, there is shortage of production of rubber corresponding to the production in the last year and target of this year. The reason intimated by O/C is basically due to more No. of rainy days. But comparing the production in non rainy days in this year and last year there was also less production. The less production was due to absenteeism of tappers and less supervision. O/C, P.G. and TCPS to take active action in supervision of block and replacing by substitute tapper in case of absence of regular tappers. In no circumstances shortage visa-vis 2014-15 or less than target of 2015-16 will be tolerated.

   (b) In case of more Number of rainy day practically this becomes tapping rest for rubber trees. In some of the centres where O/C is more pro active in non rainy days the production is more than the last year.

2. Abhangacherra RPC:-

   Visited Abhangacherra RPC. Shri Ramani Murasingh, O/C, along with other staff was present at the H.Q.

   (a) Discussed about the problems created by the tappers and others. It was learnt that local workers stopped the vehicle sent from Takmacherra Factory for carrying latex to Abhangacherra on 18.10.15. It is very unfortunate. As reported by O/C that he distributed bonus on 15.10.15, 16.10.15 and 17.10.15. Some of the workers did not come from bonus. On 18.10.15 he left for home and the workers wanted bonus on 18.10.15 only. D.M., South-I to conduct enquiry and send report.

   (b) The production in Abhangacherra RPC is going down each month and each day. No effective action is being taken. There is no collection of scrap. O/C, Abhangacherra
informed that a meeting has been conducted and it has been decided that each day each tappers will collect minimum of 200 gram of scrape, which after one week will be increased to 500 gram minimum. D.M, South-I to ensure the same.

(c) In Abhangchera &Sachirambari all the tapping materials including collection cup is being taken by the tappers to their home. Most of the tappers did not bring more than 50 to 60 cup leading to latex collection only 50 to 60 trees. It was decided that tapping materials will not be taken by tapper to their home. If possible one room in Chandra Madhab Para and MLA para may be taken on rent which will be under complete supervision TCPS staff or protection squad. O/C and D.M. will ensure that they tapped all the 300 trees.

3. Haripur Plantation Centre-

(a) Visited bamboo plantation and rubber plantation centre along with Shri Ramani Murasingh, O/C, Haripur Plantation Centre. The plantation is in Takka Tulshi RF and in the interior area. The plantation has been handed over by the Forest Department for raising rubber plantation and bamboo plantation. The plantation areas is as follows:-

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(b) Except 2006-07 and 2007-08 rubber plantation, other plantations are good. In 2015-16 the plantation is successful. The 2nd weeding is yet to be done. There was weeding works including line cleaning is to be done immediately.
(c) Detail report to be sent for poor condition of 2006-07 plantation along with reason. It was reported by O/C that one of the reason is land slide.

(d) In the rubber plantation there is slope more than 40% which can not be considered very good for rubber plantation. However the plantation has been taken up, the terracing should be maintained perfectly. No cover crop was planted in the plantation. Next year D.M, South-I to ensure that there is proper plantation of cover crop as per prescription for rubber plantation.

(c) Visited bamboo plantation of 2012-13, 1013-14 along the periphery. Survival is good. Due to absence of diagonal inspection path, the whole plantation could not be inspected. It was instructed to do year wise colour painting in band strip of each Culm. The same has not been done. D.M., South-I is instructed to complete immediately.

(d) It was also instructed to give year wise Culm number marking of each bamboo plantation using aluminum foil. The number of culm in each culm year wise to be maintained in register also. It may be done using the staff and protection squad. O/C requested for 6 to 10 labour to complete the same. D.M is to send estimate so that work can be completed within due time.

(e) In 2015-16 bamboo plantation thali cleaning is yet to be done. There was some mortality. After thali cleaning and weeding no of survival and mortality to be counted so that vacancy filling can be done early next year.

(f) There is huge degraded forest land handed over by Forest Department for raising bamboo and rubber plantation. Due to high slope rubber plantation can not be taken up. D.M, South-I to ensure that minimum 38 ha bamboo plantation is taken up next year.

(g) Plantation to be taken up only of known species. If seed of known species is not available, rhizome plantation can be taken up.

(h) Returned to Headquarter at 9.30 P.

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