Due to the lockdown situation in the wake of pandemic Covid – 19, some Activities/Meeting/Training/Programs have been postponed and same will be resumed as soon as normally is restored.

The Rabi paddy crop is matured and harvesting has been done by keeping in mind all the requisite measures, maintaining of social distancing as well as taking safe precautions as per guidelines issued by State Government.

Investigators of this Directorate deployed in each Zonal Agriculture Offices have conducted Crop Cutting Experiment, through CCE Agri. App by using smartphones for the notified crop such as Paddy, Pulses, and Groundnut at the cluster level of Village Panchayat for Rabi 2020 season as per the guidelines of the Flagship scheme “Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY).

Replanting of sugarcane has commenced and the Cashew and Mango crop has arrived in the arrived market and production is expected to be normal.

Activities conducted at sub offices during the month are as follows:
Zonal Agriculture office, Mapusa processed applications and issued travel permits to 31 farmers and distributed 56.70 Kgs of vegetable seeds door to door/field delivery to 250 farmers in the villages of Bardez Taluka during lockdown situations. Zonal Agricultural Office, Tiswadi processed applications and issued travel permits to 31 farmers and distributed 29.975 kgs of vegetables seeds to 87 farmers in the villages of Tiswadi Taluka. Zonal Agriculture Office, Valpoi processed applications and issued travel permits to 70 farmers and distributed 6.250 kgs vegetables seeds to 215 farmers in the villages of Sattari taluka.

Further Zonal Agriculture Office, Bicholim processed applications and issued travel permits to farmers, also prepared list of beneficiaries with sprayers to sanitize areas and distributed 9.70 kgs of vegetables seeds to 40 farmers in the villages of Bicholim taluka. Zonal Agriculture Office, Ponda processed applications and issued travel permits to 49 farmers.

Inspection was carried out of crops Banana and Arecanut to access whether any damage during heavy winds and sudden rainfall in the Ponda taluka. Farmers were informed to apply under the Departmental scheme
Shetkari Adhar Nidhi for Crop loss compensation and distributed 3.37 kgs vegetables seeds to 21 farmers in the villages of Ponda taluka.

Similarly Zonal Agriculture Office, Quepem processed applications and issued travel permits to 56 farmers and distributed 12.325 kgs vegetables seeds to 65 farmers in the villages of Assolda, Xeldem, Avedem, Malkarnem, Ambaulim, Adnem, Barcem, Balli of Quepemi taluka. Zonal Agriculture Office, Dharbandora processed applications and issued travel permits to 300 farmers and distributed 23.345 kgs of vegetables seeds to 300 farmers in the villages of Darbandora taluka during lockdown situation carry out Agriculture Activity on Regular Basis.

Also Zonal Agriculture Office, Canacona liquid fertilizers, pesticides were procured and supplied to the playhouse farmers, Plant protection measures in Bhendi plot at Municipal areas and inspection done of polyhouses of orchids growing farmers and distributed 18 kgs vegetables seed mentioned below to 110 farmers in the villages of Mahalwada, Khargal, Chiplem Poinguinim, Shristhal, Gaondongrim, Agonda, Welwada, Bhatpal, Cola, Khotigao, Gulem and Canacona.

Zonal Agriculture Office, Sanguem processed applications and issued travel permits to 46 farmers and distributed 10.80 kgs vegetables seeds to 123 farmers in the villages of Sanguem taluka.

Further Zonal Agriculture Office Pernem provided travel permit to farmers 15 nos, sale of vegetable seeds to farmers 32 nos, provided technical guidance to farmers for vegetable cultivation and Assisted farmers for marketing vegetable and other produced. Zonal Agriculture office, Margao processed application and issued travel permits to 46 farmers and distributed 16.3 Kgs vegetable seeds Cluster bean-Milan Bhendi JK 62, Ash gourd-Hybrid, Red amaranthus-local Brinjal Agassaim, Chili-Sitara, Cucumber-Radhika, Ridge gourd-NRGH 370, Pumpkin-Hybrid Mahyco, and 2.5 tonnes of paddy seeds jaya to farmers.

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