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**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject : Constitution of Working Group under the Steering Committee on Science on Technology for the Formulation of Eleventh Five Year Plan (2007-2012).**

Planning Commission has constituted a Steering Committee on Science and Technology for the Formulation of Eleventh Five Year Plan (2007-2012). To assist the Steering Committee and to finalize its recommendations, a Working Group is being constituted on "Effective Rural Technology Delivery (including partnership with Voluntary Organizations)". The composition and terms of reference of the Working Group would be as follows :

**I. Composition**

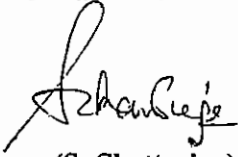
**Sr. Name, Designation and Organization  
No.**

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| 1.  | Dr. R. Chidambaram, PSA                                                                  | Chairman         |
| 2.  | Dr. T. Ramasami, Director, CLRI, Chennai                                                 | Co-chairman      |
| 3.  | Dr. Anil P. Joshi, HESCO, Dehradun                                                       |                  |
| 4.  | Shri M.R. Rajagopalan, Gandhigram Trust, Gandhigram                                      |                  |
| 5.  | Shri D. Raghunandan, CTD, New Delhi                                                      |                  |
| 6.  | Shri P.M. Tripathi, President, AVARD, New Delhi                                          |                  |
| 7.  | Dr. Panjab Singh, VC, BHU, Varanasi                                                      |                  |
| 8.  | Dr. Mihir Shah, Samaj Pragati Sahayog, Dewas, Madhya Pradesh                             |                  |
| 9.  | Prof. Dayanand Dongaonkar, Secretary-General, Association of Delhi University, New Delhi |                  |
| 10. | Shri S. Chatterjee, Adviser, Office of PSA to GOI                                        | Member Secretary |

**II. Terms of Reference**

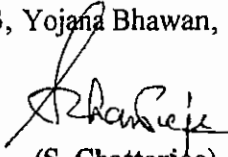
1. To suggest effective modes of technology delivery from R&D laboratories/ S&T institutions to rural areas.
2. To suggest a standard mechanism/ system for providing institutional support to the voluntary organizations for demand driven technology up- gradation.

3. To identify special programmes for application of S&T for improving the quality of life of the rural people, particularly of the weaker sections and women in the rural population.
4. To suggest possible methods for accelerating the process of rural industrialization involving S&T institutions as technology providers and also for providing technology back up.
5. To suggest a mechanism for mobilizing resources from various line function Government Departments/ Ministries for such large-scale replication.
6. To consider any other important and relevant item.
7. To indicate approximate financial outlay for implementation of the recommendations.
8. The Chairman may co-opt other members, if required.
9. The expenditure on TA/DA in connection with the meetings of the Working Group in respect of the official members will be borne by their respective Ministry/ Department. However, in the case of non-official members, they will be entitled for TA/DA as admissible to Grade-I Officials of the Government of India and the expenditure in this regard would be met by the Planning Commission
10. The Working Group would submit its report by 15th July, 2006.

  
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