

Original Research Article

VIEWS OF FARMERS ON THE STRUCTURE OF PRIVATE EXTENSION SERVICE ORGANIZATION

ABSTRACT:

The present study was conducted during the year 2018-2020 in ~~khordha~~ district of ~~odisha~~ to know the "views of farmers on the structure of private extension service organisation". The study reveals that as much as (90%) of the respondents have expressed that the private extension service organization should be a registered one. Further (63.33%) of the respondents ~~are of the view that the state government should have control over private extension service organization in some of believe that the state government should control private extension service organization in some~~ other form to avoid ~~the~~ exploitation. (90%) of the respondents have the ranked training as the first requirement. (73.33%) of the respondents have expressed that the extension service organizations should provide information's to the farmers once ~~in~~ a fortnight. (93.33%) of the respondents have preferred that the block headquarter should be the operational area.

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INTRODUCTION:

In the era of ~~the~~ 21st century, ~~a~~ most ~~of the~~ developing country has already ~~introduces-introduced~~ privatization- in agricultural extension ~~services~~. However, there ~~is-are~~ some loopholes for which privatization ~~doed~~ ~~does~~ not fit into them. The situation demands ~~for~~ a structural change in ~~a~~ private extension service organization. According to Le Gouis (1991), "the privatization of extension appears to be governed by ~~the~~ the major policy initiatives. Public financing by ~~the~~ tax-payer only for the kind of services that are strongly concerned with the general public, direct charging for some individual services with direct return in the form of ~~improvr~~ ~~improved~~ income with the possibility of different rates for specific situations or direct groups and mixed funding shared between public and private professional association contributions for selected areas such as human investments, applied research, training the farmers and agents, etc."

Comment [TT3]: Sentence is too long, split into two

In general ~~the public sector are based on the concept of, the public sector is based on the~~ overall development of the farmers with free service. ~~Demand-The demand of for~~ fees for providing services is new to the public sector. All the government organization, including NGOs, is providing free service to the farmers. Of course, presently, with ~~the~~ involvement of NGOs, some activities are being undertaken on ~~a public-public-private~~ partnership model. So it is necessary to know the views of farmers on the structure of private extension service organization.

MATERIALS AND METHODS:

The research study purposively is conducted on the Khordha districts of Odisha. ~~The study consisted of farmers only.~~ As ~~much-many~~ as one hundred twenty respondents were selected for the study, ~~those~~ who cooperate ~~to provide~~in providing meaningful information ~~as per requirement of the study per the study's requirement.~~ The ~~khordha~~ sub-divisions, blocks, gram panchayats, villages and respondents were selected ~~basing-based~~ on the purposive and random sampling method.

Survey cum ex-post facto research design was followed for the study. ~~the-The~~ response was collected from each selected respondents through a pretested interview schedule. The data was collected, processed and ~~analysed~~ with the help of ~~appropriate~~ statistical tools such as frequency, percentage, mean score, standard deviation and rank order.

RESULT AND DISCUSSION:

Structure of privatization

The views of respondents on ~~the~~ structure of private extension service, as much as 90% of the respondents have expressed that the private extension service organization should be a registered ~~ed~~ one. Further, 63.33% of the respondents ~~are of the view~~believe that the state government should ~~have control over~~control private extension service organization in some ~~of~~ other form to avoid ~~the~~ exploitation. The reaction is quite genuine, and the respondents are willing to have ~~a~~ private extension service organization with certain government control.

Comment [TT4]: I feel that the author(s) have an opportunity to expand on the research issues they intend to address, by showing they have gone to the depth of knowledge. There is a body of work in the area of agric extension services, the introduction with only one reference does not reflect the deeply thought of and thoroughly researched topic

Comment [TT5]: It would have been interesting to know which categories of farmers, if they are household, smallscale, communal, commercial or so?

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Comment [TT8]: For consistency, make use of one language style

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Comment [TT10]: I have no problem with combining results with discussions, however, one expect that the discussion argue the similarities or consistencies and findings that are contrary to the findings of the present research, this is not addressed.

Kind of technical support required for PESO

Analysis of the table above reveals that as much as 90% of the respondents have the ranked training as the first requirement followed by info 86.67% and marketing support 60% respectively. However, the result ~~as a whole~~ indicates that in all the ~~above mentioned areas~~ areas mentioned above the private extension service organizations should come forward to meet the need of the farming community, the private extension service organizations should come forward to meet the farming community's needs.

Comment [TT11]: Which table? Number each table as Table 1, Table 2 etc., table are located below.

Frequency of extension service to the farmers

The table above indicates that ~~as much as~~ 73.33% of the respondents have expressed that the extension service organizations should provide information's to the farmers once ~~in a fortnight~~. 26.67% ~~are of the view that it should be done as and when required on demand and 20% once in believe it should be done as and when required on-demand and 20% once a week~~. So far as technical information is concerned, none of the respondents ~~have has~~ opted ~~for getting the service everyday because farmers are satisfied to take the service once in a fortnight resulted to get the service every day because farmers are satisfied to take the service once in a fortnight, resulting~~ from focus group discussion.

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Location of PESO

The table above reveals that 93.33% of the respondents have preferred that the block headquarter should be the operational area (unit area) followed by district head-quarter 60% and a middle area of the operation of village and block that may be at panchayat level 33.33%. ~~on- this~~ it can be concluded that depending on the availability of- technical man-power, communication facilities and the distance from the villages, the district headquarter or block ~~headquarter~~ should be chosen as the area of operation.

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Facilities expected from PESO

The table above reveals that ~~an~~ equal percentage of the respondents have ~~given their view on viewed~~ the facilities should be extended on inputs and farm

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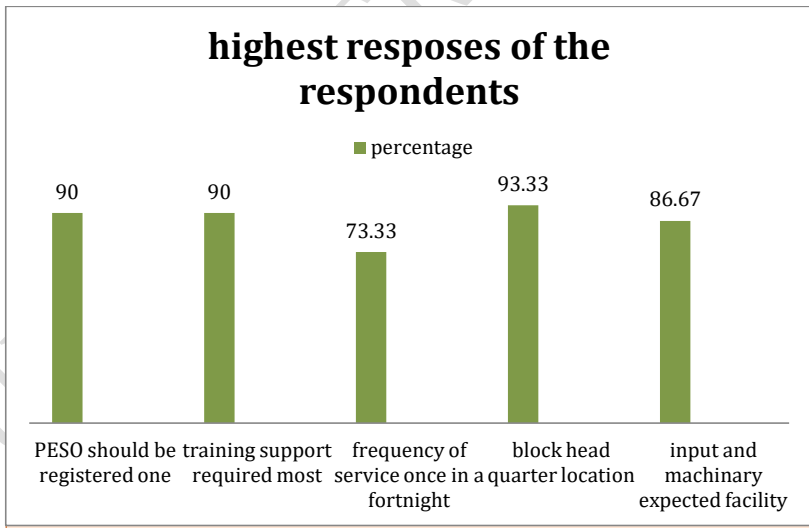
~~machineries~~machinery (86.67%). 46.66% of the respondents ~~are of the view~~believe that technological information should be provided to the farmers as and when ~~it is~~ necessary.

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CONCLUSION:

The consequences of the study are good ~~indicatives~~indications of expression of the sample regarding desirable units that PESO should have to serve the farmers.

The findings ~~with respect to~~concerning ~~structure of PESO as expressed~~PESO structure as expressed by ~~the~~ sample reveal that it should be registered one. Further, it reveals that PESO should be located at block head quarter and district head-quarter. ~~F~~Facilities expected from PESO mostly from input and farm machinery. The extension services need to be provided once ~~in~~ a fortnight. Farmer expresses that desirable facilities at PESO should be on input, farm machinery and fisheries.



Comment [TT16]: This figure looks redundant, and it doesn't seem to add any value.

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APPENDIX:

Structure of privatization

Sl. No	Structure	Frequency	Percentage
1	PESO should be register one	108	90
2	State government should have control over PESO	76	63.33

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Kind of technical support required for PESO

Sl. No	Item	Frequency	Percentage
1	Information	104	86.67
2	Training	108	90
3	Marketing	72	60

Frequency of extension service to the farmers

Sl. No	Frequency of service	Frequency	Percentage
1	Every day	0	0
2	Once a week	24	20
3	Once in fortnight	88	73.33
4	As and when required	32	26.67

Location of PESO

Sl. No	Area	Frequency	Percentage
1	Block head quarter	112	93.33
2	Districts head quarter	72	60
3	At a middle area of operation	40	33.33

Facilities expected from PESO

Sl. No	Facilities	Frequency	Percentage
1	Information	56	46.66
2	Input	104	86.67
3	Farm machinery	104	86.67
4	Fisheries	24	20

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