

STATE LEVEL GOVERNING COUNCIL

The Governing Council constituted for **Organic Farming Board of Andaman & Nicobar Islands** will be the Governing Council (GC) at the State level for the Organic Mission under the Chairmanship of the Chief Secretary, Andaman and Nicobar Administration.

The composition of the GOVERNING COUNCIL will be as follows:

1	Chief Secretary Andaman and Nicobar Administration	:	Chairman
2	Secretary(Agriculture) Andaman and Nicobar Administration	:	Vice Chairman
3	Director of Agriculture Andaman and Nicobar Administration	:	Member Secretary
4	Chairman, Tribal Council/Adhyaksh, Zilla Parishad		
5	Director, CARI Andaman and Nicobar Islands	:	Member
6	Director Industries, Andaman and Nicobar Administration	:	Member
7	Representative of Coconut Development Board	:	Member
8	Director of Animal Husbandry & Vety. Services, Andaman and Nicobar islands	:	Member
9	Director Panchayat Andaman and Nicobar islands	:	Member
10	Director of Fisheries, Andaman and Nicobar islands	:	Member
11	Director Science & Technology Andaman and Nicobar islands	:	Member
12	Representative, Dept Of Environment & Forest Andaman & Nicobar Islands	:	Member
13	Representative, Andaman Chamber of Commerce Andaman & Nicobar Islands	:	Member
14	Representatives from NGOs to be Nominated by Chairman	:	Member
15	Farmers representative to be Nominated by Chairman	:	Member

The Governing Council will be the policy making body giving overall direction and guidance to the Organic Mission, and will monitor and review its progress and performance. The GC will meet at least twice a year.

The concerned authorities in the Department of Agriculture will provide the necessary support to the GC. The GC will ensure smooth functional linkages among different agencies. The GC shall meet every quarter but at least once in two months in the initial stages of the Mission.

Term of official and nominated Members of the Governing Council

- (i) The term of an ex-officio member shall continue so long as he/she holds the office by virtue of which he/she is such member.
- (ii) The term of a nominated member shall be as decided by the Administration.

Powers and Functions of the Governing Council

- (i) The Governing Council shall be the authority empowered to take all steps/measures necessary for the attainment of objects specified in the memorandum of Association.
- (ii) In particular, the Governing Council shall carry out the following functioning and shall exercise the following powers.
 - (a) To take any decision in any matter that may be referred to it by the Government, Administration, and the Chairman.
 - (b) To engage appropriate manpower for implementation of schemes under Organic Farming Board of Andaman & Nicobar Islands /Organic Mission, including Consultants and/or Specialists, whether from the Government, Non-Government or Private Sector, on contractual basis.
 - (c) To scrutinize and approve the various projects under the programme on High Value Agriculture/Organic Mission
 - (d) To undertake any other matters that is consistent with the aims and objectives of the Society (Organic Farming Board of Andaman & Nicobar Islands)
 - (e) To approve the Annual Accounts along with the audit report.
 - (f) To acquire, hold and dispose of property, movable and immovable, and to administer all assets.
 - (g) To formulate, supervise, monitor and evaluate the implementation of the schemes under the Programme.

- (h) To grant financial assistance to farmers, entrepreneurs, co-operatives and voluntary organizations to undertake and achieve various activities/projects for promotion and cultivation of High Value Crops.
- (i) To impart training to farmers, officials, co-operatives and others for promotion, cultivation, storage, plant protection, post harvest etc., of High Value crops.
- (j) The OFBANI(Organic Farming Board of Andaman & Nicobar Islands)Section in the Department of Agriculture will provide the necessary support to the Governing Council and also will administer the DSC.
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DISTRICT LEVEL DISTRICT STEERING COMMITTEE

A District Steering Committee will be constituted by the Administration under the Chairmanship of the Deputy Commissioner, Nicobars, having representatives from other concerned Departments, KVKs, ICAR Institutes, Tribal Council, Grower's Associations / Cooperatives, etc for overseeing the implementation of the programmes.

The Composition of the District Steering Committee will be

Chairman, Tribal Council/ Adhyaksh, Zilla Parishad	:	Chairman
Joint Director of Agriculture of Concerned District	:	Vice Chairman
Middle Level Officers from the Departments like Animal Husbandry, Fisheries, Industries and CDB.	:	Member
Apex Cooperative Society/ANIIDCO,	:	Member
Grower's representatives & Experts (4)	:	Member
Assistant Director (Agriculture) of Dist HQ	:	Member Secretary

- Prepare Perspective and annual District Level Action Plan in consonance with Mission's goals and objectives and in close coordination with Technical Support Group, CARI and other institutes (if any) and oversee its implementation.
- Receive funds from the State mission authority and other sources for carrying on the mission's activities, maintain proper accounts thereof and submit utilization certificate to the concerned agencies.
- Release funds to the implementing organizations and oversee, monitor & review the implementation of the programmes.
- Organize base-line survey and feasibility studies in different parts (Zonal level/ Island) to determine the status of Organic production, its potential and demand, and tailor assistance accordingly. Similar studies would also be undertaken for other components of the programmes;
- Assist and oversee the implementation of the Mission's programmes in the District through Farmers, Societies, NGOs, growers, associations, self-help groups, State institutions and other similar entities;
- Organize Workshops, Seminars and training programmes for all interest groups/associations at the District level, with help of Agriculture Department and ICAR Institutes and other institutions having technical expertise.

ZONAL LEVEL IMPLEMENTING COMMITTEE

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The Composition of the Zonal Implementing Committee will be

Chairman, Tribal Council/ Chief Captain/ Pramukh, PRI	:	Chairman
Assistant Director (Agri) of Concerned Zone	:	Vice Chairman
Agriculture Assistant/ Agriculture Field Assistant (Designated)	:	Executive Member
VAS of Zonal Headquarter	:	Member
Representative from Fisheries Dept	:	Member
Farmers Representative (Male)	:	Member

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Agriculture Officer / Agriculture Assistant of Concerned Zone	:	Member Secretary

Technical Support Group (TSG)

The Mission Organic will have a strong technical component for the management of the Mission. Technical support to the Mission at the State and District Levels will be provided by the CARI, CDB and other Institutes, which will be suitably strengthened by experts and technical personnel to advise, formulate, appraise and monitor the implementation of the Mission's programmes.

TSG will have the following role and functions:

- To visit the island regularly and frequently to provide guidance in organizational and technical matters.
- To compile materials for conduct of regional workshops in different aspects viz. production, post-harvest management, processing, marketing. There will a year long calendar of capacity building and promotional events, workshops/seminars on different subjects.
- To Supervise & Evaluate the programmes of the Mission.
- To conduct studies on different aspects of Organics.
- To document and disseminate success stories.
- Assist the States in capacity building programmes.
- Undertake publicity/information campaign to promote the Missions objectives.

The District Steering Committee can also set up district level TSG for project formulation, appraisal and concurrent monitoring.