



APS/22 General Assembly/2021

Bangkok, 29 January 2021

Esteemed Members of APRACA

Madam/Sir,

Re: Invitation to join the 'Regional Policy Forum' and '22nd GA' of APRACA to be held on 'virtual mode' during 4-5 March 2021.

Warm greetings from APRACA Secretariat, Bangkok! Trust the year 2021 has started well for you and your esteemed institution.

You are well aware that the 72nd Executive Committee (EXCOM) meeting of APRACA was held in a unique situation in 'virtual mode' for the first time in its 43 years of its history. The situation has not much improved since then and keeping in view the continued threat of COVID-19 pandemic and cross-country travel restrictions, it was decided to host the 73rd EXCOM and 22nd General Assembly (GA) of APRACA during 4-5 March 2021 in a 'virtual mode' to facilitate all the member institutions join the meetings. We are happy to announce that the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) will be hosting the meetings through its IT facilities and will send the links and other logistical information well before the meetings.

In this connection, it is our sincerest pleasure and honour to invite you for joining the regional policy forum '**Development support to promote agribusiness clusters and credit enhancement instruments**' to be held in conjunction with the APRACA 73rd EXCOM) and 22nd General Assembly during 4-5 March, 2021. The regional policy forum will be held on **4 March 2021 from 9.30 am till 12.00 noon** (Indian Standard Time) and the 22nd GA meeting has been planned on **5 March 2021 from 12.00 noon to 2.00 pm** (Indian Standard Time). The Secretariat will share the Agenda papers of the GA on or before 15 February 2021. The background note and schedules of the regional policy forum will be shared by NABARD soon.

Please find enclosed herewith a brief *information note* and *Registration form* and *draft programme* for your kind perusal. Please return the registration form confirming your/representative's participation to Ms Pratibha Sharma (pratibha.sharma@nabard.org) under copy to Mr. Kittisak Mommoh (kittisak@apraca.org) on or before **15 February 2021** for smooth logistical arrangements.

The host (NABARD) will send the weblink (Microsoft Team) and separate meeting invitation to the registered participants. A separate invitation will also be sent for testing the meeting link on **01 March 2021 at 10.00 am** (Indian Standard Time).

We look forward to receive your positive response and to welcome you to join the regional policy forum and statutory meetings of APRACA.

With kind regards,

(Prasun Kumar Das)
Secretary General