

Managing Risks to Farmers in Times of Change

- 1. Give higher prominence to risk management through adaptation and mitigation tools that are accessible to farmers and other users. This approach should transcend all Mega Programmes.**
- 2. Invest in effective, timely and accessible climate services and strengthen associated institutional and knowledge domains to strengthen the ability of the user community to cope with the vulnerability to climate change.**
- 3. Revisit the type of farming systems that should be promoted and supported (specialized monocrop vs. diversified farming) and strengthen appropriate integrated farming systems with due consideration to economy of scope and optimum level of agro-biodiversity.**

Managing Risks to Farmers in Times of Change

- 4. Promote collective action efforts of smallholder farmers to manage risks, with enhanced focus on strengthening the participation of farmers' associations in rural development.**
- 5. Adopt an integrated research approach that takes into consideration markets, access to and judicious use of land, water and agro-biodiversity and financial systems**