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Minutes of the Meeting of the Census of Agriculture held
on 06. 11. 1981.

07. Discussed at length about the definition of an Estate and whether to
The following were present.

- 1. A.D. Mr. A.A.D.C. Yasasiri
- 2. A.D. Mr. W. Nanayakkara
- 3. STN Mr. K. Jayasinghe
- 4. STN Mr. H.N. Siriwardhana
- 5. STN Mr. A.M.U. Disanayaka
- 6. Expt. Dr. M.P. Rao
- 7. S.O. Mr. W.K. Perera
- 8. S.O. Miss K.D. Chandralatha

Following decisions were taken at the meeting.

It was discussed at length to get the maximum service of the cultivation
Officers who will be detailed to conduct the Census of Agriculture in 1982 and
also discussed to decide later about the number of Census Blocks to be assigned
to one C.O. for enumeration.

02. After the completion of coping F 1 forms, it was found out that there are
missing (in 17 district excluding Tamil Districts), F 1 forms what action should
be taken about this missing F 1 forms were discussed and decided to inform the
D. C. & S. accordingly.

03. The valuable suggestions and ideas submitted by Range S.II after the
completion of Pilot Survey was came up and decided to send letters of appreciation
to such S.II with a copy to their personal files for further encouragement. The
meaningful suggestion and ideas forwarded by S.II and C.OO to be listed separately
and to discussed at a later date before finalizing the schedules.

04. To held a discussion meeting during the second week of December 81, to
finalize the Census schedules was decided.

05. As the Census is conducting in two stages there might be discrepancies
with regard to the acreages in A.C. 2 and in A.C. 3. As such it was discussed
whether to return the A.C. 2 schedule to enumerators at the second stage where
sample survey is conducting or to hand over only the total acreage at the second
stage. No decision was taken.

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06. Dr. Rao stressed the importance of giving an extensive training to the S.OO who are at present in Head Offices before sending them to districts for Census work.

07. Discussed at length about the definition of an Estate and whether to take paddy lands of 20 acres or more as Estates. According to the ideas brought forward and it was stressed that it is not possible to manage such paddy lands of 20 acres or more by one individual. However it was pointed out that during the last Census of Agriculture 1940 Acres of Tamankaduwa Govt. paddy Farm was taken as one Estate. However, they decided, ^{when} ~~that~~ ^{in the field} ~~are~~ revising the Estate lists ^{at} should be checked by the officers of the Head Office.

However the Estate schedules should be finalized before the 20th November.

08. Summary Sheet

It was decided to revise the present summary sheet and also to summarize the total acreage according to village level and later to summarize at A.G.A. Div. level. It was pointed out that the preparation of summary sheet is more complicated than the last Census in 1975 specially when entering the total acreages.

However Dr. Rao suggested to prepare a separate summary sheet where the particulars in respect of no. of operators, Total acreage of the Holding, Crop Acreages and no. of livestock can be collected, and was accepted.