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To,
Managing Director,

Subject: One day workshop on 'Weed Control and Review on action taken for Sugarcane Ratoon Management.'

Dear Sir,

In continuation to earlier letter VSI/ DG /AGRI/Workshop/2015-16/ 868, dated 4th May 2015, you are aware that a monthly one day workshop on **"Weed Control and Review on action taken for Sugarcane Ratoon Management'** for Agricultural Officers, Cane Development officers and Agricultural graduates is scheduled on **23rd January, 2016** at Institute campus from a series of workshops planned for this year.

Weeds in sugarcane crop have been estimated to cause 12 to 72 percent reduction in cane yield. In the present and future contexts of increasing production and productivity on sustainable basis, such a huge loss must be reduced. Providing a weed- free environment is absolutely essential to realize the full potential of cane varieties and to make best use of the key production factors. All the aspects of weed management such as common weed flora, losses, methods and economics of weed control will be discussed in the workshop.

Under the drought situation prevailing this year in the state, VSI emphasized to increase maximum possible area of ratoon crop by conducting workshops, visits and meetings with the management of sugar mills. A review on action taken by the sugar mills for ratoon management and constrains will be taken during this workshop. The Cane development officer of each sugar mill is expected to present in brief their work in this context .

Looking to the importance of topic of the workshop, it is requested to depute your Officers and field staff from Agriculture Division to participate in this most important workshop.

Please confirm the participations of your staff at the earliest with Registration fee of Rs. 500/- per participant by cash or demand draft drawn in favor of Vasantdada Sugar Institute Pune. Please contact Mr. P. V. Ghodke, workshop coordinator (020 26902243 / 9822013482) for details of workshop. An early and positive action is appreciated.

Thanking you,

Yours Sincerely,,


(Shivajirao Deshmukh)