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## MINISTRY OF AGRO-INDUSTRY & FOOD SECURITY FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND EXTENSION INSTITUTE (FAREI)

## **Bio Farming Promotion Scheme**

COMMITMENT FORM
I, acting in my personal name or on behalf of, for which I am duly authorized to represent, hereby declare that, if my /our project is approved, I /we take full commitment to comply with any one of the following farming categories:
1. CATEGORY TRANSITION TO BIOFARMING/ORGANIC AGRICULTURE
Implement requirements of the MS 184-1: Specifications for Good Agricultural Practices for Crop Production, and be MauriGAP-Part 1 certified within a period not exceeding one calendar year as from starting date of the project and then;
either shift to biofarming/organic agriculture as from the second year of operation, or move to MauriGAP 2 and MauriGAP 3 before shifting to biofarming/organic agriculture, and be accordingly certified, within a period not exceeding seven years
2. CATEGORY ORGANIC AGRICULTURE (Certified)
Implement the requirements of an internationally recognized Organic Standard, within a maximum of five years as from starting date of the project.
3. CATEGORY NATURAL FARMING
Implement a recognized natural farming system and then qualify for certification under a formal biofarming/organic agriculture system, within a maximum of five years as from starting date of the project.
It is understood that if I/We fail to comply with any of the above mentioned commitments, I/We have obligations to refund all fiscal* and other financial incentives obtained under the Bio Farming Promotion Scheme
*Existing enterprises registered with the SMEDA, with a turnover of less than Rs 10M, will ONLY be eligible for a 4-year tax holiday in respect of their business income, starting as from year of assessment 2016/2017
Signature: Date: