My congratulations to the entire team at NABARD on their 40th Foundation Day on 12 July 2021.

In the past, I have had the opportunity to observe the activities of NABARD and deeply appreciate the outstanding work being done by the Bank and its contribution to nation’s policy making.

Agriculture in India is witnessing a rapid transformation and there is a need to get the rural economy ready for the youth of tomorrow. Skilling farmers and taking technology to the fields will be the key to catalyse this transformation. In all these aspects, I would urge NABARD to keep the small and marginal farmers of our country at the core of all its strategies and programme implementation.

I take this opportunity to once again, congratulate every NABARDIAN and urge them to renew their dedication and commitment to the cause of agriculture and rural development in our country.

New Delhi
7th July, 2021.

(M. Venkaiah Naidu)