The Agriculture Department of Telangana is preparing a mobile application with the help of National Informatics Centre (NIC) on the comprehensive management of five major crops cultivated in the State – paddy, maize, cotton, redgram and groundnut. Commissioner of Agriculture M. Janganmohan stated this here on Thursday at a meeting on digital services held with the officials of International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT) and allied departments.

Officials of the agriculture and allied department explained that farmers are being provided with information on weather conditions, forecast for the next five days, seed, fertilizer, list of dealers of farm equipment, statistics of agriculture department, weather-based information, details of cold storages, management of major crops and others through Kisan Suvidha mobile application.

The officials of marketing and horticulture departments explained that information on e-NAM, micro-irrigation, Rashtriya Krishvi Vikas Yojana and others is being provided to farmers with the help of information technology. The meeting also discussed the IT-enabled services being provided by ICRISAT after senior scientist of the institute, Ram, explained about the utility of their Plantix app and that how it could be made more farmer-friendly.