PREFACE

Land reforms came to acquire an important place in the ideology of national reconstruction for economic and social reasons. Legislative enactments for land reforms during the last four decades have been embodied in a programme for a abolition of intermediary tenures, tenancy rights, fixation of ceilings on land holdings and consolidation of holdings. Successive Five-Year Plans in India have laid stress on the importance of the programme of land consolidation. India has been experimenting with cooperative farming for a quiet a number of years. There is a lingering doubt about its suitability in transforming agriculture in a democratic country like India. India’s experience, especially in implementation of cooperative farming as a national programme makes a useful study and will also be of considerable interest to the other countries.

Number of studies on the cooperative farming, reveal divergent opinions about the performance of Cooperative farming. In this study is tried to evaluate critically the performance of Cooperative Joint Farming Societies in Nellore District (A.P.)

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