

MANDYA ROUND TABLE DECLARATION

November 16, 2010

1. ***Raita Teerpu* has brought out issues that are acceptable to farmers organizations and peoples movements. Therefore KRRS and other farmers movements will take the message of *Raita Teerpu* to all its units in villages, Hoblis and districts**
2. **All farmers organizations in Karnataka must come together to discuss the significance and message of *Raita Teerpu***
3. **The message of *Raita Teerpu* is to give priority to the thoughts of the voicelss. Farmers movements must spread this message far and wide.**
4. **The message of *Raita Teerpu* must spread all over. Therefore farmer organizations will work hard to lead a debate on this message at Gram Panchayat and District Panchayat levels**
5. **We had limited our movements until now only to farmers rights. Now we will explore the enormous knowledge still rooted in our communities of farmers and fight for its protection.**
6. **We must move beyond struggle for our survival. We must prioritise the the survival of our environment of our environment and through that our survival.**
7. **Agricultural research must have farmer at its centre. It is along with the farmer's knowledge that agricultural research must grow by recognizing and respecting this knowledge. .**
8. **Food sovereignty should be our goal. It is in food sovereignty that we can find our freedom and dignity.**
9. **Even while fighting against rapacious mining and Land Grab we should not lose sight of the inspiring path shown by *Raita Teerpu*.**