

1953

Meetings

Dates of Meeting:

April 3-23, 1953

Type of Meeting:

1st rural work conference

Attendance:

Convened by Rural Work Department

Speeches and Reports:

Deng Zihui: April 18, 1953 claimed that agricultural producers' cooperatives should be the main form in the old liberated regions and that cadres of new liberated region should make greater efforts to help mutual aid teams and prepare them to become agricultural producers' cooperatives after the fall. Deng Zihui criticized the rash tendency, however, he also valued the trend of move peasants towards socialism and thought it should go further.

To him, the key issue of the first or second five-year plan was to build agricultural producers' cooperatives

Deng Zihui: Summary Report, April 23, 1953: review of mutual aid and cooperation movement over previous three years; criticizes rash advance and advocates steady advance; dissatisfaction of middle peasants is primary cause of tension.

Called for the protection of private property, the scope of freedom is very small, in fact only allows military martyrs, widows and the needy and do not belong to labor force engaged in farming "the freedom of land tenure, land law, provides for, today can not be prohibited. However, this who lease the land. "

suggested building slightly lower a number of new agricultural producers' cooperatives in 1954. he also highly praised the virtue of good cooperatives and warned against to simply disbanding those poorly-operated cooperatives. He explicitly pointed out that the notion of "ensuring the private ownership" was wrong; the notion of unqualified encouragement for the "four freedom" was inappropriate

Other Decisions and/or Actions:

Made preparations for the First Five-Year Plan's mutual aid and cooperation movement.

Remarks: