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Directorate of Agriculture Development &
Farmers Welfare Department,
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Sub: Annual Plan 2019-20 Scheme included in the Green Book 2019-20 - Rehabilitation and Rejuvenation of Coconut Palms in Kerala as a part of Coconut Mission - Coconut Development Council Head of Account 2401-00-103-87 Plan – Working Instructions Issued - regarding.

Ref: GO(Rt)No.251/19 Agri, dated: 08.03.2019 of Agriculture (PB) Department.

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Vide Government Order cited in the reference, Government have accorded Administrative Sanction for the Scheme "Rehabilitation and Rejuvenation of Coconut Palms in Kerala as a part of Coconut Mission – Coconut Council, which is included in the Green Book 2019-20 at a Total Cost of Rs.1900 lakhs.

The main objective of the scheme is to ensure availability of good quality planting material to farmer through expanding scientific coconut seednut procurement and establishment of decentralized nurseries Rs.1900 lakhs has been earmarked for the implimentation of captioned scheme Coconut Council during 2019-20.

It is proposed to provide assistance for the following components.

1. Coconut Seednut Procurement

Cost of Seed nuts: Rs.1057.5 lakhs

It is proposed to procure 13.5 lakh WCT / dwarf and 1.5 lakhs hybrid (TxD / Dxt) Coconut seednut during 2019-20 seednut procurement shall be done from selected mother palms in accordance with coconut seednut procurement process being

carried out by the Department every year and as per the working instructions issued for 'Kera Samrudhi' Scheme under production and distribution of improved planting materials. The present cost of seednut fixed is Rs.70 / nut for WCT and dwarf varieties and Rs.75 / nut for hybrid varieties.

The district wise target is as shown below. This target is inclusive of the additional 3.712 lakhs seednuts already communicated vide TH(2)19943/2019 dated: 02.12.2019.

Name of District	No. of nuts to be procured			Amount allotted (in lakh Rs.)			
	Dwarf @ Rs.70/nut	WCT @ Rs.70/nut	Hybrid (TxD/DxT) W 75/nut	Dwarf	WCT	Hybrid (TxD/DxT)	Total
Thrissur	5000	200000	70000	3.5	140	52.5	196.00
Malappuram							
a) (Field)	2000		10000	1.4	-	7.5	8.9
b) SGC Munderi	2000	50000	10000	1.4	35	7.5	43.9
Kozhikkod	-	890000			623		623
Kannur	1000	200000	60000	0.70	140	45.0	185.7
Total	10000	1340000	150000	7.0	938	112.5	1057.5

Allotment of funds for Coconut seed nut Procurement under H/A 2401-00-103-87 Plan

Sl. No.	Name of Principal Agricultural Officer	Funt (Rs in lakhs)
1	Thrissur	196
2	Malappuram	52.8
3	Kozhikkod	623.0
4	Kannur	185.7
	Total	1057.5

2. Nursery Charges: Rs.842.5 lakhs

An amount of Rs.842.5 lakhs has been earmarked for nursery charges can be utilized for site clearing purchase of inputs, in connection with coconut seedling production. The nursery charges establishing and maintaining irrigation systems providing temporary shade / pandal selection process, tagging of seedlings etc. All expenses right from sowing of seednuts in the nursery till tagging of seedlings for distribution can be met from nursery expenses. The amount allotted can be utilized for all departmental farm involved in coconut seedling production.

The target for coconut seednut procurement under captioned scheme is 15 lakhs. For sowing this huge numbers of seednuts is addition to the already assigned targets under Kera Samrudhi, additional nursery area needs to be developed. Coconut nursery can be set up additionally in 8 no. Of coconut nurseries, 9 DAFs and in special farms and seed farms wherever possible.

Principal Agricultural Officers should ensure that the maximum coconut seedling production capacity of all the farms in their districts have been attained, by utilizing the funds allotted for nursery charges.

Special focus should be given to SGC Munderi for recouping the coconut nursery which was totally devastated by flood.

The district wise allocation of funds for nursery charges is as follows.

District wise allotment - Nursery Charges - Rs.842.5 lakhs

Sl. No.	District	Amount (in lakhs)
1	Thiruvananthapuram	60
2	Kollam	60
3	Pathanamthitta	25
4	Alappuzha	25
5	Kottayam	25
6	Idukki	25
7	Ernakulam	60
8	Thrissur	80
9	Palakkad	80
10	Malappuram	250
11	Kozhikkod	50
12	Kannur	50
13	Head Quarters	52.5
	Total	842.5 lakhs

Total allocation of funds (Rs. In lakhs)

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Sl. No.	Name of Principal Agricultural Officer	Cost of Seednut	Nursery Charges	Total
1	Thiruvananthapuram	-	60	60
2	Kollam	-	60	60
3	Pathanamthitta	-	25	25
4	Alappuzha	-	25	25
5	Kottayam	-	25	25
6	Idukki	-	25	25
7	Ernakulam	-	60	60
8	Thrissur	196	80	276
9	Palakkad	-	80	80
10	Malappuram	52.8	250	302.8
11	Kozhikkod	623.0	50	673
12	Kannur	185.7	50	235.7
13	Head Quarters		52.5	52.5
	Total	1057.5	842.5	1900

Monitoring

All the palms selected under the programme should be periodically inspected by both Agricultural Officers and Agricultural Assistant. The seed development officers should closely watch the implementation of the programme and prepare weekly reports. Deputy Director of Agriculture (YP) in charge of the scheme at district level should inspect 5% of the selected plots. The Principal Agricultural Officer of the district should visit at least 1% of the garden / plots. It should be ensured that palms are selected according to the guidelines specified. In case of erring officers, appropriate actions should be initiated / recommended to higher officials at state level.

Additional Director of Agricultural (farms) will monitor the scheme at state level. The Principal Agricultural Officer should send weekly reports of the programme to agrifarmsth@gmail.com. Any difficulties or bottlenecks in the implementation of the programme should be brought to the notice of Additional Director of Agriculture (Farms) or Joint Director of Agriculture (Farms) and get it cleared then and there itself.

The expenditure towards the implementation of the scheme will be met from Rs.1900 lakhs earmarked for the scheme Coconut Development Council under the H/A 2401-00-103-87 Plan.

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Director
**Agricultural Development &
Farmers Welfare Department**

To

All Principal Agricultural Officers except Wayanad

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All Joint Director of Agriculturs in Head Quarters
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