Directorate of AD & FW Dept. Vikas Bhavan Thiruvananthapuram Dtd: 11/01/2019

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Sub: Agriculture Development & Farmers' Welfare Department - Scheme for Development of Vegetables 2018-19 - Flood 2018 - New Proposal for Crop Rehabilitation - Working Instructions - issued

Ref: G.O. (Ms) No. 147/2018/AGRI dtd. Thiruvananthapuram 15/12/2018.

Administrative sanction has been received for the implementation of a revival package - Crop Rehabilitation as the loss that occurred in agriculture sector is of massive scale due to the recent flood and has put a heavy financial burden on the farmers as well as the state for restoration/rehabilitation activities. It is estimated that an area of 4251.38 ha of vegetables apart from tuber crops and pulses has been completely lost and seed and seedling stock for future planting has also been damaged.

Hence a campaign for reviving this sector is the immediate need which will be organized by all Krishi Bhavans of the State. As part of this programme, required quantity of planting materials has to be made available at the outset for which it is proposed to supply 55 lakhs vegetable seedkits of assorted varieties @ Rs. 10/- per kit free of cost to take up vegetable cultivation by traditional farmers, homesteads, institutions etc. The seeds shall be sourced from Department Farms, Kerala State Seed Development Authority, Vegetable & Fruit Promotion Council (VFPCK) and other Government Agencies. The total amount required for this purpose comes to Rs. 550 lakhs (Rupees Five hundred and fifty lakhs only).

It is also proposed to supply 30 lakhs vegetable seedlings free of cost to farmers to take up cultivation in fields, homesteads and institutions for which an amount of Rs. 75 lakhs (Rupees Seventy five lakhs only) is proposed for distribution @ Rs. 2.50/- per seedlings.

Objectives:-

To tide over the crisis of massive loss that occurred in agriculture sector due to the recent flood and to support for the financial burden on the farmers as well as the state for restoration/rehabilitation activities and to attain self sufficiency in vegetable production to the maximum possible extent.

With this objective administrative sanction has been accorded as detailed below:

Financial Outlay:-

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		Vegetable Seedlings		Vegetable Seedkits		Total
Sl.			Total cost			Amount
No.	Name of District	No.	@ Rs. 2.5/-	No.	Total cost	required
		(in lakhs)	(Rs. in lakhs)	(in lakhs)	(Rs. in lakhs)	(Rs. in lakhs)
1.	Thiruvananthapuram	1.8	4.5	. 8	80	84.5
2.	Kollam	1	2.5	4	40	42.5
3.	Pathanamthitta	0.72	1.8	3.5	35	36.8
4.	Alappuzha	1.5	3.75	4	40	43.75
5.	Kottyam	3	7.5	4	40	47.5
6.	Idukki	4.5	11.25	4	40	51.25
7.	Ernakulam	1.8	4.5	4	40	44.5
8.	Thrissur	2.25	5.625	4	40	45.625
9.	Palakkad	3.93	9.825	4.5	45	54.825
10.	Malappuram	2.4	6	4.5	45	51
11.	Kozhikkode	1.2	3	3	30	33
12.	Wayanad	3.6	9	2	20	29
13.	Kannur	1.65	4.125	4	40	44.125
14.	Kasargod	0.65	1.625	1.5	15	16.625
	TOTAL		75	55	550	625

Implementation and monitoring:-

At district level DDA (NWDPRA) will monitor and evaluate the programme under the guidance of concerned Principal Agricultural Officers.

Budget Provision:-

An amount of **Rs. 625 lakhs** is set apart for the "Flood 2018 – New proposal for crop rehabilitation" under Vegetable Development Programme 2018-19 and the amount will be met from the 20% Plan cut and head of account 2401-00-119-85 plan.

Sd/-

Director of Agriculture

To,

All Principal Agricultural Officers

Copy to:

1) Chief (Agriculture), State Planning Board, Thiruvananthapuram.

Joint Director of Agriculture(Vi Directorate of Agriculture

2) Chief Executive Officer, VFPCK

- 3) Principal Information Officer, FIB, Thiruvananthapuram for giving biidhiruvananthapuram-23 publicity to the scheme.
- 4) PA to Director of Agriculture
- 5) CA to Additional Directors of Agriculture
- 6) All Joint Directors of Agriculture at HQ
- 7) All DDAs (NWDPRA)
- 8) Planning Section/Finance Section
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