

Circular

Sub: Annual Plan 2018-19 - Scheme on '**Modernization of Departmental Laboratories**' - Strengthening of Bio Fertilizer Laboratory Thiruvananthapuram and Pattambi- modifications in working instructions-issued

Ref: 1. Circular of even no. dated 08.05.2017  
2. Note no. CA 35/DA/2018 dated 11.07.2018 of the Director of Agriculture  
3. E-mail from the Chief Soil Chemist dated 08.08.2018

Working instructions of the component 'Strengthening of Bio Fertilizer Laboratory Thiruvananthapuram and Pattambi' under the Scheme on 'Modernization of Departmental Laboratories' was issued as per reference 1st cited, wherein an amount of Rs. 6.5 lakh was allotted to the Chief Soil Chemist for implementation of the scheme.

As per reference 2nd cited, it was informed that the Principal Agricultural Officers are not monitoring the captioned scheme and entering data in PLANSACE for which funds are directly given to the Assistant Soil Chemists through the Chief Soil Chemist, even though they are under the direct control of the Principal Agricultural Officers. Consequent to non updation of data in PLANSACE, discrepancies are noticed between treasury figures and departmental figures, which cannot be accepted. Hence, it was directed to assign the target of component/ schemes for which funds are directly given to the Assistant Soil Chemists through the Chief Soil Chemist to the concerned Principal Agricultural Officers, so that they can enter the data in PLANSACE.

As per reference 3rd cited, the Chief Soil Chemist has informed that an amount of Rs. 50,000/- has been allotted to the Assistant Soil Chemist, District Soil Testing Laboratory, Pattambi for Strengthening of Bio Fertilizer Laboratory, Pattambi.

The Assistant Soil Chemist, Pattambi should submit the monthly progress report to the Principal Agricultural Officer, Palakkad who in turn will enter the progress in PLANSACE under the component 'Strengthening of Bio Fertilizer Laboratory Thiruvananthapuram and Pattambi' under the scheme on '**Modernization of Departmental Laboratories**'.

The Working Instructions issued vide reference 1st cited stands modified to this effect.

Sd/-

**Director of Agriculture**

Copy to:

CA to Director of Agriculture  
CA to all Additional Directors of Agriculture  
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Chief Soil Chemist  
Deputy Director, IT Cell (for publishing in the website)  
Planning section - to allot funds to Chief Soil Chemist  
Agricultural Officers of all Krishi Bhavans  
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