

**CIRCULAR**

Sub: - Annual Plan 2018-19- Scheme for Strengthening of Agricultural Extension-  
Administrative sanction accorded –Training to FA & BTMs working instruction  
issued–reg.

Ref:-1) G O (MS)No.102/2017/AGRI dated 10/08/2017.

2) Order No.TP (2)7462/18 dtd 28.04.2018 of Director, Agriculture Development &  
Farmers Welfare Department

Field Assistants [FA] and Block Technology Managers [BTM] are involved in the implementation of ATMA and ATMA Plus activities. The Field Assistants are with VHSE qualification and BTMs are with B.Sc. [Agri.] or B. Tech, B.VSc., B.Sc. [Aquaculture] etc. A systematic Training Programme is required for the effective implementation of the scheme components. Separate courses will be designed for the BTMs and FAs based on the nature of activities involved. The courses will be conducted through 5 RATTCS and 2 FTCs.

Vide reference first cited above ,Govt. have accorded sanction for implementation of the scheme “Training to Field Assistants and Block Technology Managers on Regular Basis” with a budget provision of Rs.10 Lakhs under the Head of Account 2401-00-109-80 Plan during the year 2018-19 .Vide reference 2<sup>nd</sup> cited above continuous sanction has been accorded for the implementation of the aforesaid scheme.

**Objectives:-**

The main objectives of the programme are given below.

- Imparting technical training to FAs and Block Technology Managers
- Enrichment of the technical knowhow of the FAs and Block Technology Managers
- Improve the field activities of the FAs and Technology Managers
- Better performance and service delivery by BTM and FA

The main programme envisaged under this scheme is training .Norms of HRD may be taken as a base for organizing training.

**Financial outlay**

Sl. No.	Item	Amount (Rs. In lakhs)
1	Training to FAs, BTMs including field visit, Honorarium to faculties, TA/DA to participants	10.0

The FAs and BTMs are engaged on contract basis and TA and DA are included as part of the training programme. Training to Block Technology Managers and Field Assistants will be conducted in separate batches. Honorarium for the faculties engaged for taking classes will be given @ Rs. 400/ hr. Farmers also will be given honorarium at this rate, if farmers are taking classes and sharing the success stories. TA & DA of faculties as per eligible norms, honorarium as well as hiring of vehicles are included. Controlling officers of training centres will prepare an estimate for the training and get it sanctioned from this office.

**Implementation: -**

The scheme will be implemented by the Head of RATTCs/ FTCs in association with Project Director ATMA. Regular monitoring report should be sent to ATMA for integration of the training programmes.

Training Centre wise allocation of fund will be as follows:

Sl No	Name of training centre	Fund allocated (Rs. in Lakhs)
1	RATTC Kazhakuttom, TVPM	1.5
2	RATTC Kozha, Kottayam	1.5
3	RATTC Vytilla Ernakulam	1.5



4	RATTC Malampuzha, Palakkad	1.5
5	RATTC Taliparumba, Kannur	1.5
6	FTC Vengeri, Kozhikode	1.25
7	FTC Pandalam, Pathanamthitta	1.25
	<b>Total</b>	<b>10.00</b>

During the current year an amount of Rs. 4400 lakh is set apart under the H/A: 2401-00-109-80 Plan for the implementation of Scheme on "Strengthening Agricultural Extension". The amount of 10.0 lakhs required for the implementation of this component can be met from the Budget provision.

#### **Monitoring and Evaluation:-**

The Scheme will be monitored at Directorate level by the Additional Director of Agriculture (Extn). Details of activities undertaken along with expenditure details will be reported to Directorate on a monthly basis on or before 5<sup>th</sup> of succeeding month. The progress report should include physical components like no. of trainings conducted, no. of male/female participants attended etc. and financial achievement.


Sd/-

**Director**

**Agriculture Development and Farmers  
Welfare Department**

To

All Additional Directors of Agriculture  
All Principal Agricultural Officers  
All Project Directors, ATMA  
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