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Directorate of Agriculture Development
and Farmers Welfare Department,
Thiruvananthapuram
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Sub:- Annual Plan 2018-19 – Scheme Component “Operational Support and Hiring of Vehicles for ATMA” under “Strengthening of Agricultural Extension” – working instructions issued – reg.

Ref:- 1. GO (Ms)No. 102/2017/AGRI Dt. Thiruvananthapuram. 10/08/2017

2. Order no. TP(2) 7462/2018 dt. 28/4/2018 of Director of Agriculture

As per reference cited 1st Administrative Sanction has been accorded for the scheme “**Strengthening of Agricultural Extension**” under H/Ac 2401- 00-109-80 plan; for the year 2017-18 . As per the annual plan 2018-19, the scheme is proposed to be implemented during the current financial year with a budget allocation of Rs. 4400/- lakhs and as per reference 2nd cited continuous sanction is accorded for the scheme for an amount of **Rs.. 2053 lakhs** . One of the components of this scheme is **Operational Support and Hiring of Vehicles for ATMA** (Rs.100.00 lakhs)

Fourteen Project Directors were created at the district level in the cadre of Joint Director of Agriculture and posted at district level offices of the Department of Agriculture to streamline the activities of ATMA. They are in charge of the ATMA activities in the districts, co-ordinating with the line departments. They are assisted by a Deputy Project Director from any of the line departments. Project Directors supervise all the ATMA activities organized in the district and organize the district level programmes. They have to supervise the implementation of state extension schemes like ATMA Plus, LEADS, Agro Service Centres, Karshika Karma Sena, Strengthening of Project Directorate of ATMA, etc. Hence it is highly essential that Project Directors provided with vehicle support through hiring of vehicles for proper monitoring and implementation of extension activities.

An amount of **Rs.28.00 lakhs is set apart** for providing mobility to Project Director, ATMA at district level by **hiring of vehicles** .

Field visits are inevitable for the effective extension activities, dissemination of technical knowhow and for proper field level verification on implementation of various schemes by the Assistant Director of Agriculture and other technical staff in each block. For this mobility is a must. For encouraging regular field visit and technology transfer 75 numbers of Mobile Agro clinics were established & 75 numbers of bolero jeeps purchased & is utilized as Mobile Agro clinics. As per G.O (Rt) No:102/2017 AD dated: 10/8/2017 of Government, administrative sanction was accorded for providing operational support to the mobile Ago clinics to meet the fuel expenses @ Rs.8000 /- per month.

An amount of **Rs.72.00 lakhs @ Rs.8000/vehicle/month** is sanctioned as operational expenses for meeting fuel and other expenses. This fund can also be used to meet other operational expenses like oil, service charges & insurance of Mobile Agro Clinics and minor repair works of Mobile Agro Clinics. Custodian of the vehicle will maintain an up to date log book with details of journey and fuel purchased. Controlling officer will verify the log book and record his/her observation. Mobile Agri Clinics will be utilized only for field visit and extension activities.

A total amount of **Rs.100.00 lakhs** is earmarked for this component.

The district wise financial allocation for meeting the operational charges of mobile agro clinics and hire charges to vehicles for Project Director ATMA 2018-19 is given in Annexure I.

Monitoring:

At the district Level Operational Support will be monitored and implemented by Deputy Director of Agriculture (E&T) and the scheme Hiring of Vehicles will be **monitored by Project Director ATMA** under the overall supervision of the Principal Agricultural Officer. The **Principal Agricultural Officer/ Project Director ATMA** shall submit the monthly progress report in the name cover of Additional Director of Agriculture (Extn) of the Directorate before 5th of every succeeding month in Annexure II. Principal Agricultural Officer will conduct random vehicle verification regarding the utilization of vehicle. The Custodian Officer will ensure that the vehicle is used for field visit and extension activities related to technology transfer.

The amount of Rs100lakhs required for the implementation of the above scheme can be spent from the budget provision of **Rs. 4400.00 lakhs** provided under the H/A 2401-00-109-80 plan of 2018-19

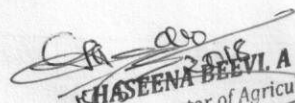
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Director of Agriculture

To: All Principal Agricultural Officers
All Project Directors, ATMA
All Assistant Director of Agriculture
All Agricultural Officers, Krishibhavan

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CA to State Agricultural Engineer
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TP Section for allotment of funds as per Annexure I
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ANNEXURE - I

District wise financial allocation for meeting the fuel cost of mobile agro clinics and Hire charge of vehicles for Project Director, ATMA 2018-19 .

Sl. No		No: of bolero Jeeps allotted	Operational support to 75 Mobile Agro Clinics @8000/p.m. (in lakhs)	Hire charge of vehicles for Project Director, ATMA(in lakhs)	Total
1	Thiruvananthapuram	5	4.80000	2	6.80000
2	Kollam	5	4.80000	2	6.80000
3	Pathanamthitta	4	3.84000	2	5.84000
4	Alappuzha	6	5.76000	2	7.76000
5	Kottayam	5	4.80000	2	6.80000
6	Idukki	4	3.84000	2	5.84000
7	Ernakulam	7	6.72000	2	8.72000
8	Thrissur	6	5.76000	2	7.76000
9	Palakkad	4	3.84000	2	5.84000
10	Malappuram	6	5.76000	2	7.76000
11	Kozhikode	5	4.80000	2	6.80000
12	Wayanad	3	2.88000	2	4.88000
13	Kannur	6	5.76000	2	7.76000
14	Kasargod	3	2.88000	2	4.88000
	HQ	6	5.76000		5.76000
	TOTAL	75	72.00000	28	100.00000

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Director of Agriculture

Annexure II

District	Financial Amount Allotted	Amount expended during the month	Progressive total	Physical	
				No: of farmers benefitted	Brief details in use of MAC