Directorate of Agriculture Development
And Farmers Welfare
Vikas Bhavan, Thiruvananthapuram
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Sub: - Annual Plan 2018-19- Scheme for Strengthening of Agricultural Extension – Upgradation of Training Centres of Department of Agriculture - Sanction accorded- Working Instructions Issued – reg.

Ref: 1. GO. (Ms) No. 102/2017/AGRI dated 10/08/2017 of Agriculture (Planning-A)
Department

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

Governments have accorded sanction for implementing the component "Upgradation of RATTC under the scheme "Strengthening of Agricultural Extension" during 2018-19. Continuous sanction has been accorded with a total provision of Rs. 490 lakhs, vide ref 2nd cited.

Awareness on advanced technologies will be undertaken by imparting training to the officials of the department to make them more programmatic to carry out scientific Agricultural Development programmes. The Kerala Agricultural University and other research centres have developed various improve and new technologies which have to be disseminated to the field functionaries through training programmes. For achieving this training centres should be equipped with modern facilities and required infrastructures.

Objective:

The main objective of the scheme is to upgrade the training centres under the department and strengthen them with required infrastructure facilities, modern teaching aids and transport facilities so as to facilitate better training.

There are 9 training centre's functioning in the state as detailed below

SINo	Name of Training Centre
1	RATTC (Regional Agricultural Technology Training Centre) Kazhakuttom
2	RATTC Kozha, Kottayam
3	RATTC Vytilla, Ernakulam
4	RATTC Malampuzha, Palakkad

5	RATTC Thaliparamba, Kannur
	FTC (Farmers Training Centre)Pandalam, Pathanamthitta
	FTC. Vengeri, Kozhikode
	PETC (Research Testing & Training Centre) Vellayani
	RTTC (Research, Testing of Training Centre), Vellayani RBDTC(Regional Biogas Development & Training Centre), Vellayani

In order to Strengthen the activities of these training centres, construction of new buildings, repair & maintenance of existing building, Purchase of equipments and furniture, Purchase of new Vehicles and repair of existing ones etc are needed. These activities shall be executed as per the requirement strictly abiding by prevailing purchase formalities/standard procedures/norms and rules of Government.

An amount of Rs.490 Lakhs is earmarked for 2018-19 which will be released in a project based manner and based on priority.

The Office and hostel building of RATTC, Kazhakuttom is in a dilapidated state and need to be demolished. Out of Rs.490 Lakhs an amount of RS.350 Lakhs is set apart for the construction of new building complex including hostel in the premises of RATTC, Kazhakuttom.

The fund available under the scheme will be allotted to the Principal Agricultural Officers as per the proposal and detailed estimate prepared by accredited construction agencies shall be submitted by Heads of Training Centre's according to their requirement. All proposals should be routed through Principal Agricultural Officers.

- All rules, formalities and procedures shall be strictly followed for the implementation of the scheme. The norms of financial propriety shall be followed in toto.
- Store Purchase rule should be followed for purchase of vehicles and other articles.
- Infrastructure/repair works should be undertaken by Assistant Executive Engineer (Agri)/Accredited Agencies. For civil works if any CPWD rates should be followed.
- Tender/E-tender and other stipulated formalities shall be followed wherever necessary.

Monitoring and Evaluation:-

Deputy Director, RATTC / FTC will assist the Principal Agricultural Officers in implementation and monitoring of all activities under Upgradation of training centers of

Department of Agriculture. PAOs should forward the project proposal and proposal will be considered on first come first served manner.

The scheme will be monitored by Additional Director of Agriculture (Extension) at state level. Monthly Progress Report should be submitted on or before 5th of every month (jdatrng@gmail.com)

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- 2) Deputy Director of Agriculture, RATTC Kazhakuttom, Kozha, Vyttila, Malampuzha and Thaliparamba
- 3) DDA of FTC Pandalam and Vengeri
- 4) Assistant Executive Engineers Thiruvananthapuram, Kottayam, Palakkad, Kannur,
- 5) Technical Assistant, RTT Centre, Vellayani
- 6) Deputy Director of Agriculture, RBDTC, Vellayani

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- 1) TA to Director of AD&FW
- 2) CA to all Additional Directors of Agriculture
- 3) CA to SAE
- 4) CA to all JDA at HQ / SFO
- 5) TP section for allotment of funds
- 6) Deputy Director of Agriculture, IT Cell for uploading in website
- 7) TE / Fin Section / Stock file / Spare