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Directorate of Agriculture Development  
And Farmers Welfare  
Vikas Bhavan, Thiruvananthapuram  
Dated: 27-09-2018

**CIRCULAR**

Sub: - Annual Plan 2018-19- Scheme for Strengthening of Agricultural Extension –  
**Strengthening of SAMETI** - Sanction accorded - Working Instructions issued–  
reg.

Ref:- G.O (Rt) No. 766/2018/AGRI dated 27.07.2018 of Agriculture (Planning-A)  
Department

SAMETI (State Agriculture Management & Extension Training Institute) is located at Anayara in Thiruvananthapuram district. The institute started functioning in 2010-11. It conducts training programmes for capacity building, as per annual schedule, in co-ordination with national training institutes, catering to the training requirements of both officials and farmers in Agriculture and allied sectors. Moreover it organizes workshops and seminars. It also functions as an off-campus centre for Post Graduate Diploma Course in Plant Health Management [PGDPHM] conducted by NIPHM, Hyderabad. Capacity building programmes are strengthened through NIPHM and NIELIT.

Vide reference cited above; Government have accorded administrative sanction for an amount of **Rs. 25 lakhs** for the component "**Strengthening of SAMETI**" under the head of account 2401-00-109-80 plan under strengthening of Agricultural Extension during 2018-19.

The amount will be utilized for operational expenses, setting up of high tech training facilities, honorarium for experts, honorarium for BTM under ATMA and expenses connected with maintenance of poly house and Kadalivanam at SAMET.

The main components of the scheme are as follows

**1. Honorarium and pay for experts and BTM- 13.80Lakhs**

Posting of experts with experience in the field of Agriculture extension and developmental activities will help to increase the productivity, quality and service delivery of the organization.

Hence following posting on contract basis should be undertaken at SAMETI for the smooth functioning of the establishment.

1. Two experts with Post Graduate qualification of Agriculture/Horticulture.
2. One expert with Post Graduate qualification in Management.
3. Block Technology Manager, with degree in Agriculture.

The appointment should be done following the existing norms of Govt for Posting contract staff.

An amount of Rs. 13.8 lakhs is set apart for the payment of honorarium to contract staff.

**2. Maintenance of polyhouse, Kadalivanam and garden at SAMETI.- 3.2 Lakhs.**

An amount of Rs 3.2 lakhs is set apart for the above purpose which also include the wages of 2 gardeners and one poly house supervisor working on daily wage basis.

**3. Repair and Maintenance of SAMETI building and associated structure- Rs 8 lakhs.**

An amount of Rs 8 lakhs is set apart for repair and maintenance of Administrative block and Accommodation block and also for unforeseen expenses.

**Financial Outlay**

Sl. No.	Item	Amount proposed (Rs. in lakhs)
1	Honorarium for expert & BTM	13.80
2	Maintenance of Karshaka Bhavanam, Kadalivanam and SAMETI garden.	3.20
3	Repair and maintenance of SAMETI building.	8.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>25.00</b>

During the current financial year 2018-19 there is a provision of Rs. 4400 lakhs for Strengthening of Agricultural Extension Scheme under the head of Account 2401-00-109-80. Administrative Sanction has been issued for Rs 25 lakhs for Strengthening of

SAMETI and the expenditure can be met from current year budget provision subject to the following condition.

1. 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.
2. The expenditure would be met only from the provision available under the appropriate head of account.
3. The fund release will be based on actual requirement, and the fund released should not be parked in banks.
4. Store purchase Rules shall be strictly adhered to for all kinds of purchases.
5. Tender/ e-tender and other stipulated formalities shall be followed wherever necessary.
6. Post creation and purchase of vehicles are not admissible under the scheme.

**Monitoring and Evaluation:-**

The scheme will be monitored and implemented by Director, SAMETI. Monthly Progress Report of the programme should be submitted to State Nodal Cell ([nodalatmakerala@gmail.com](mailto:nodalatmakerala@gmail.com)) on or before the 5<sup>th</sup> of every month.

Sd/-

**Director**

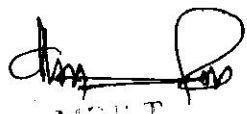
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The Director, SAMETI  
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Copy to: 1. Planning Section with Request to allot an amount of Rs 25 lakhs to SAMETI

2. SW Section

  
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