

CIRCULAR

Sub: - Annual Plan 2019-20- Scheme for Strengthening of Agricultural Extension-
Administrative sanction accorded –**Training to FA & BTMs**- working instruction
issued–reg.

Ref:-1) Order No.TP (2)12933/19 dtd 04.06.2019 of Director, Agriculture Development &
Farmers Welfare Department

Field Assistants [FA] and Block Technology Managers [BTM] are involved in the implementation of extension activities of the department like ATMA, LEADS etc. 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 cited above ,Continuous sanction have been accorded 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 2019-20 .

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 centre's 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 |

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| 4 | RATTC Malampuzha, Palakkad | 1.5 |
| 5 | RATTC Taliparumba, Kannur | 1.5 |
| 6 | FTC Vengeri, Kozhikode | 1.25 |
| 7 | FTC Pandalam, Pathanamthitta | 1.25 |
| | Total | 10.00 |

During the current year an amount of Rs. 4545 Lakhs 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 of 2019-20.

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 5th 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
DDA, RATTC, Kozha, Malampuzha, Thaliparambu, Vytilla, Kazhakuttam
DDA, FTC Pandalam, Vengeri
Planning Sn/SW Section
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