

**CIRCULAR**

Sub:- Central Sponsored Scheme (CSS) – Krishi Kalyan Abhiyan (KKA) – III under Sub-Mission on Agriculture Mechanization (SMAM) 2020-21 – Working Instruction Issued – Reg:

Ref:- (1) No 3-6 (KKA-III)/2020 -M&T (I &P) dated 27<sup>th</sup> May 2020 of Government of India (GoI)  
(2) GO (Rt) No. 718/2020/AGRI Dated 17/08/2020

As per reference cited 1<sup>st</sup> Government of India (GoI), Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Development of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare has conveyed approval & sanction for the implementation of CSS Scheme KKA – III under component No. 6, promotion of farm mechanization in selected villages, of SMAM during 2020-2021. The Annual Action Plan (AAP) for KKA – III for the year 2020-21 submitted to GoI for ₹64.00 Lakhs. GoI has accorded administrative approval for the AAP for an amount of ₹48.00 Lakhs in which GoI share is ₹ 28.80 Lakhs and Government of Kerala (GoK) share is ₹ 19.20 Lakhs for the implementation of the scheme during 2020-21 and released the GoI share of ₹ 28.80 Lakhs. The sharing pattern between GoI & GoK is 60:40. The Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare launched KKA from aspirational districts of the country, in which Wayanad District is selected as aspirational district from Kerala. The program was focused on giving a boost to agriculture and allied activities in these aspirational districts. The revised operational guideline of SMAM 2020-21 is available in website <http://farmech.dac.gov.in> of GoI. The scheme mainly intends to aid, assist and advice farmers to improve their farming techniques and increase their incomes.

As per reference (2) GoK accorded administrative sanction and release sanction for the implementation of the scheme. The scheme provides financial assistance to promote appropriate technologies and to set up six Farm Machinery Banks, two in each block of Wayanad district.

**1. Scheme component: CSS-60:40 - Promotion of Farm Mechanization in Selected Villages (Component No.6):**

To establish farm machinery banks by the Cooperative Societies of farmers, Registered Farmers Societies, FPOs, Panchayats in the selected villages of Wayanad District to encourage members to take up appropriate mechanized operations.

Each selected village will be eligible for setting up of Farm Machinery Banks (with minimum 8 farmers per bank) upto a maximum project cost of ₹ 10 lakhs. Financial

assistance @ 80% of the project cost limited to ₹ 8.00 Lakhs, whichever is less as per norms will be provided for such Farm Machinery Banks. The pattern of assistance is as per Annexure II (f) of GoI Revised Operational Guidelines of SMAM 2020-21.

The total financial assistance for establishing 6 Nos. of Farm Machinery Banks in three blocks (two in each block) is ₹48.00 Lakhs with GoI share of ₹28.80 Lakhs and GoK share of ₹ 19.20 Lakhs.

## **2. Scheme Implementation:**

As per GO (MS) No. 198/14/AD dated 20/09/2014, Government have constituted State Level Executive Committee (SLEC) under the chairmanship of Agricultural Production Commissioner. SLEC will monitor the Scheme in State level. The management and monitoring mechanism of the scheme at district level will be done by the District Level Executive Committee (DLEC), comprising of District Collector (Chairman), Principal Agricultural Officer (Convener), Executive Engineer (Agri), Project Director ATMA, Deputy Director (C) and Assistant Executive Engineer (Agri) as members. Representatives of line Departments, SAUs/ ICAR, nominated progressive farmers, representatives from SHG, and representatives from lead banks / NABARD may also be included in the committee. DLEC will be responsible for carrying forward the objectives of the Mission for project formulation, implementation and monitoring with following functions.

- 1) Identify the areas of low ratio of farm power availability/ areas with large number of small and marginal holdings for implementation of farm mechanization components.
- 2) Identify beneficiaries (Cooperative Societies of farmers, Registered Farmers Societies, FPOs, Panchayats) to avail the benefits of KKA – III in transparent and time bound manner.
- 3) Tie up with the Banks for credit requirements of the beneficiaries.
- 4) Ensure that the benefits under various schemes of DAC such as RKVY, MIDH, NMOOP, SMAM etc. are not extended repeatedly to the same beneficiary.
- 5) Direct transfer of financial assistance to the farmers/ beneficiary through PFMS – DBT portal on the basis of AADHAR/ PAN Number and e payment wherever infrastructure is functional in the district.
- 6) Monitor & display details of approved programme, all activities undertaken and name of beneficiaries, expenditure incurred etc. at the Panchayat/ prominent public place in the cluster/ village level and get it placed before the concerned Grama Sabha annually from the point of social audit.
- 7) Study the impact on production and productivity after the implementation of the programmes and forward the reports to the State Nodal Department.
- 8) The Dangerous Machines (Regulation) Act, 1983, Act No. 35, year 1983 has been repealed by Government of India vide Gazette of India Notification no. 4 of 2018

- 8) The Dangerous Machines (Regulation) Act, 1983, Act No. 35, year 1983 has been repealed by Government of India vide Gazette of India Notification no. 4 of 2018 dated 5.1.2018. Hence, to look into the safety aspects of the farmers/operators while operating various agricultural machinery, it is advised that at the time of distribution of various agricultural machinery through subsidy and also otherwise the farmers may be suitably encouraged to obtain "Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojna" for himself/herself and also for the actual operator who operates his/her agricultural machinery. "Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojna" which covers the various benefits to the person insured like death, total irrecoverable loss of eyes, hand or feet etc. during operation of any agricultural machinery.
- 9) Report the progress to State Agricultural Engineer in Annexure IX (A) of the GOI guidelines.
- 3. Ensure the quality of the agricultural implements and machineries:** Ensure the quality of the agricultural implements and machineries before they are supplied under Government assistance programmes as below.
- i. Test certificates from RTTC Centre Vellayani, Thiruvananthapuram, State Agriculture Universities (SAU) and designated testing centres to ensure the quality of the agricultural implements and tool costing less than ₹ 35,000/- (Rupees Thirty Five Thousand) should be ensured before they are supplied under Government assistance programmes.
  - ii. Test report of any FMTTI or designated testing of DAC&FW from manufacturer/supplier of the agricultural implements and tools costing less than ₹ 35,000/- (Rupees Thirty Five Thousand only) or a system of self-certification for the desired specification/ quality/ performance of agricultural implements and tools may be accepted from manufacturers or supplier.
  - iii. The agricultural implements and tools costing less than ₹ 35,000/- (Rupees Thirty Five Thousands only) as at SI. No. (i) above covers only hand tools, garden tools, animal drawn/ manually / tractor drawn implements required for land preparation/ sowing and planting/ inter cultivation/ harvesting and threshing/ transportation operations.
  - iv. All types of self-propelled agricultural implements/ equipment/ machinery and all types of plant protection equipment are not covered in clause no.(i) and (iii) above.
  - v. The testing of agricultural implements, tools and machinery costing more than Rs. 35000.00 (Rs. Thirty five thousands) from the FMTTIs or designated testing centres of DAC&FW as specified is mandatory, before they are supplied under Government assisted programmes.

All applications will be processed through online in <http://www.agrimachinery.nic.in>. Approval for subsidy will be on first cum first serve basis depending up on the target allotted. GoI issued guidelines for ensuring quality of agriculture machineries and equipment supplied

The assistance will be distributed through PFMS with AADHAR/ PAN details of beneficiary by Assistant Executive Engineer (Agri) Wayanad for the current financial year.

**Financial Outlay:**

The total financial outlay for the implementation of the scheme is as detailed below.

Sl.No.	Component	Total Cost (Lakhs)	GoI share (Lakhs)	GoK share (Lakhs)
1	Promotion of Farm Mechanization in selected villages	48.00	28.80	19.20

**Implementation Schedule:**

As per the reference 1<sup>st</sup> cited above the sanction accorded to implementation of the scheme. The applications invited through print media, receiving applications, approval and distribution of assistance is a continuous process through online.

The schedule of implementation of activities will be done in a phased manner in the current financial year. The phasing of activities is given below.

Sl. No.	Activity	On or before
1	Target allocation	August 2020
2	Online receipt of application	August 2020
3	Physical verification	September 2020
4	Subsidy approval	October 2020
5	Bill generation and e-payment	October 2020
6	UC submission	November 2020

**Role of Panchayat Raj Institutions (PRIs)**

The DLEC, to the extent possible, will ensure active participation of the PRIs in the implementation. PRIs may also be involved in publicizing the demonstrations and training of farm equipment and in ensuring participation of farmers from nearby areas for widespread dissemination of technology.

**Monitoring and evaluation**

The Assistant Executive Engineer (Agri) Wayanad will be the District level implementing officer of the scheme. The utilization certificate of fund released and the physical and financial progress report should be submitted in the respective formats. E payment / DBT may be effected with AADHAR/ PAN details as early as possible on receipt of bill.

The Executive Engineer (Agri), Kozikode and State Agricultural Engineer will monitor the programme at Regional and State level respectively.

The financial and physical achievement of the programme and utilization certificate must be reported to State Agricultural Engineer before 5<sup>th</sup> of every month through e mail to [saekerala@gmail.com](mailto:saekerala@gmail.com). The Principal Agricultural Officers should update the progress in PLAN SPACE at the district level. The Assistant Executive Engineer (Agri) should report the expenditure to the Principal Agricultural Officer for PLAN SPACE updation. The final utilization certificate, physical and financial performance report in Annexure VIII(A) as given in GoI guidelines should be submitted on or before 30<sup>th</sup> November 2020.

Sd/-  
Director



State Agricultural Engineer  
~~STATE AGRICULTURAL ENGINEER~~  
~~Director of Agriculture~~

**To**

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Principal Agricultural Officer, Wayanad  
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