PROCEEDINGS OF THE DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE DIRECTORATE OF AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

(Present: Dr.K. Vasuki IAS)

Sub:- Annual Plan 2020-21 – Scheme for Development of Spices – Continuous Administrative sanction modified – orders issued-reg:

Read:- 1) Order no.ADFW/478/2020-TP2 dated 8/6/2020

2) Note no.TS(2) 8231/2020 Dated:28/01/2020.

ORDER NO. ADFW/478/2020-TP2 Dated.16/02/2021

Government of Kerala, vide order read 1st above accorded Continuous Administrative sanction for the implementation of the scheme, Development of Spices 2020-21 for an amount of Rs. 669.00045 lakhs after allotment of Rs. 7.51595 lakh for encashment of bills not e-submitted to treasury upto 31.3.2020 and submitted on or before 18/4/2020 and Rs.183.4836 lakh for encashment of 'Queue' bills & WAMS clearance bills of 2020-21.

Vide reference 2nd cited, the implementing section has informed that the Principal Agricultural Officer, Ernakulam has requested for revision of component targets under the scheme due to various reasons. Hence the physical and financial targets under the following components are sanctioned:

1. Area Expansion of Pepper (Rs.46.40 lakh)

Establishment of new pepper garden with high yielding varieties of pepper can be undertaken for improving the productivity of pepper. The estimated cost for the establishment of one ha of pepper garden is Rs. 40000/-. Financial assistance proposed is 50% of the total cost limited to Rs. 20000/- ha. During the year 2020-21, total area of 232ha is proposed to be brought under cultivation with improved varieties of pepper and an amount of Rs.46.40 lakhs is set apart for this component.

2. Area expansion of other spices (Rs.39.44880 lakh)

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Nutmeg/Clove

The climatic conditions of Kerala suit nutmeg and it is grown in homesteads as an intercrop. The area expansion programme is to promote cultivation of the locally adapted and improved varieties of nutmeg / clove. The financial assistance should be extended to farmers for area expansion of nutmeg/ clove using high quality planting materials and meeting cost of inputs for adopting INM/IPM.

Financial assistance @ Rs.20000/- per ha will be provided for meeting the expenditure on planting material and cost of inputs for INM/ IPM etc. It is proposed to cover 47.244 Ha during 2020-21 and an amount of Rs.9.44880 lakhs is set apart for this component.

3. Revitalization of Pepper garden (Rs.181.15120 lakhs)

Revitalization involves gap filling with new pepper vines, replacing damaged standards, carrying out fertilizer/manure and lime application and plant protection measures with the aim of rejuvenating unproductive and neglected pepper gardens. Financial assistance of 50% of the total cost limited to Rs.10000/ha will be given during 2020-21 for maintenance of gardens covering an area of 1811.512 ha for carrying out these activities in all districts, except Wayanad where assistance will be provided under Wayanad Package scheme. Farmers will be provided assistance for inputs i.e. for lime, farm yard manure/ compost, plant protection chemicals and bio control agents. An amount of Rs.181.1512 lakhs is set apart for this purpose.

Financial Outlay

An amount of Rs.669.00045 lakhs is required for implementation of the continuing scheme 'Development of Spices' during 2020-21. The revised component wise breakup without change in the total budget provision is as follows.

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SL No.	Name of Scheme	Targets as per reference 1 st cited		Revised targets	
		No. of units / ha	Total Amt. required (Rs in lakhs)	No. of units / ha	Total Amt. required (Rs in lakhs)
1	Area expansion of pepper	250	50	232	46.40
2	Area expansion of other spice crops				
	a.ginger/turmeric	240	30	240	30
	b. nutmeg/clove	50	10	47.2440	9.4488
3	Establishment of decentralised pepper nurseries (No.)	10	3	10	3
4	Revitalization and rejuvination of pepper gardens	1770	177	1811.5120	181.1512
5	Integrated Pepper Development in Idukki				
a	Area expansion of pepper	1015	203	1015	203.0000
b	Demonstration of farmer developed varieties	10	1	10	1.0000
С	Support to secondary and micro nutrients Cost of inputs & Collection of soil samples, transportation, etc.	1000	5	1000	5.0000
d	Support to soil ameliorants	870.5	47	870.5	47
е	Prophylactic spraying through Agro Service Centres against Quick Wilt disease.	1300	~130	1300	130
f	Revitalization of pepper samities	36	9	36	9
g	Operational expenses including transportation		2		2

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h	Travelling Expenses	2.00045	2.00045
	Sub Total 5 (a-h)	399.0045	399.0045
	Grand Total (1-5)	669.00045	669.00045

(Rupees six crores sixty nine lakhs and forty five only)

In the circumstances mentioned above, modified continuous Administrative Sanction is hereby issued for the implementation of the scheme 'Development of Spices' during 2020-21 for an amount of Rs.669.00045 lakhs (Rupees Six Crores Sixty Nine Lakhs and Forty five only) debiting the expenditure to the head of account 2401-00-108-59 (P) from current year's budget provision. Continuous Administrative sanction accorded vide reference (1) cited stands modified to this extent only. The scheme shall be implemented abiding by the terms and conditions stipulated in the Government Order read above.

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