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Sub : Contingency programme to meet natural calamities and pest and disease endemic –
“Management of pest and disease endemic 2021-22” implementation during 2021-22 – working
instructions issued – regarding

Ref: 1) G.O(Ms)No.75/2017/AGRI dated 29/05/2017

2) Order No.ADFW/480/2020-TP(2) dated 29/4/2020

3) Order No.ADFW/480/2020-TP(2) dated 18/1/2021

4) Order No.ADFW/2878/2021-TP(2) dated 07/4/2021

Administrative sanction was received for the scheme “Contingency Programme to meet natural calamities and pest and disease endemic” during 2017-18 vide reference 1st cited with a financial outlay of **Rs.400 lakhs** under the **Ha/c 2401-00-800-91** Plan. Continuous administrative sanction was accorded by the Director of Agriculture for this scheme from 2018-19 to 2020-2021 vide reference 2nd and 3rd cited above. During the current financial year 2021-22 there is a budget provision of Rs.750 lakhs for the scheme Contingency programme to meet natural calamities and pest and disease - endemic under the H/Ac 2401-00-800-91 (P) as per reference 4th cited , and Continuous Administrative sanction is accorded for the following components.

- ☒ Creation of buffer stock of short duration varieties of seeds – 200 lakhs
- ☒ Assistance for strengthening of bunds against breaches– 25 lakhs
- ☒ Management of pest and disease endemic – 25lakhs
- ☒ State share of relief assistance for crop loss due to natural calamities – 500lakhs

The following working instructions are issued for implementing the component

“Management of pest and disease endemic “

The scheme “Crop Health Management” is under implementation with the objective to develop a pest surveillance based crop advisory system to help the farmers from the vagaries of pests and disease problems by adopting suitable control measures at the appropriate time and save the crops. However, contingencies may occur in the event of sudden pest/ disease outbreak which need to be controlled to avoid spread and crop loss. In such cases Agricultural Officer should immediately report the same to the Principal Agricultural Officer. The Principal Agricultural Officer should take immediate steps to arrange visit of Multi-Disciplinary Diagnostic Team to the site.

Recommendations on suitable prophylactic and corrective measures duly signed by the team members should be provided to the farmer group in writing. The recommendations should include Integrated Pest and Disease Management components which help in reducing the use of chemicals and reducing the cost of cultivation. Only in very demanding situations, chemicals which are safe to use should be prescribed with correct dosage and frequency of application. Where ever chemicals are recommended, farmers should be warned about the waiting periods to be followed before consumption or marketing.

A copy of the detailed MDDT report including details like name and designation of officers in the team, date and time of visit, area visited, crop situation, details of symptoms noticed, nature and extent of damage, stage of the crop, field condition, endemic nature etc. should be sent to the Director of Agriculture by **fax/ e mail** along with the following details.

Name of Block	Name of Krishi Bhavan	Location	Name of crop affected	Name of pest/disease	Area affected	Recommendation of MDDT team	Name of chemical used with rate	Total quantity of chemical used	Total cost of chemicals	Labour charges for application of chemicals	Grand Total

Based on this report the Rapid Action Wing at the State level, under the leadership of the Joint Director of Agriculture (Plant Protection), if required, will visit the area, and give suggestions regarding the control measures and the financial assistance to be provided to take up the control measures. The expenses involved in the adoption of such control measures on emergency basis including cost of fungicides, pesticides and spraying charges will be sanctioned from Directorate of Agriculture to districts from the provision under this component for which an amount of **Rs25lakhs** is set apart during the year 2021-22.

The remedial measures/ control measures should be undertaken on a campaign mode by mobilising local leadership and ensuring massive adoption. A register should be maintained with the details of the farmer/ field, nature of the problems, contact phone number, exact location of the field, signature of the farmer, recommendations given etc. The Principal Agricultural Officer should submit the final claim to the Director of Agriculture immediately after completion of the spraying programme with necessary certificates.

Mode of Implementation

The Agricultural Officer in charge of Krishi Bhavans will be responsible for implementing the programme at Panchayat Level. The Assistant Director of Agriculture will co-ordinate the activities in the Block Level. The Deputy Director of Agriculture (E&T) will be in charge for the implementation of the programme at District Level under the supervision and control of the Principal Agricultural Officers. At State level, a separate monitoring committee headed by the Additional Director of Agriculture (CP) with the following members will monitor the scheme for the effective and timely implementation.

1. Joint Director of Agriculture (PP)
2. Joint Director of Agriculture (WM)
3. Plant Protection Officer


The expenditure will be met from the provision under the Head of Account 2401- 00-800-91 OC Plan in current year's budget.

Sd/-

Director of Agriculture

To

All Principal Agricultural Officers and Project Directors, ATMA


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