Directorate of Agriculture Development and Farmers Welfare Department Vikas Bhavan, Thiruvananthapuram

Date: 04/05/2021

CIRCULAR

Sub:- Agriculture Department – Annual Plan 2021-22 – Scheme on "Operational Expenses including Wages to Mobile Agro Clinics under "Agro Service Centres and Service Delivery" – Continuous Administrative Sanction accorded – Working Instructions issued.

Read:- 1. GO.(Rt) No. 818/2017 /AGRI Dt. Thiruvananthapuram. 24.08.2017 2. GO.(Rt) No. 957 /2017 /AGRI Dt. Thiruvananthapuram. 06.10.2017 3.Order No: ADFW/494/2020 – TP(2) Dt. 12.05.2020

4. Order No. ADFW/3059/2021 - TP(2) Dt. 23.04.2021

Government of Kerala have accorded Administrative Sanction for the implementation of the scheme Agro Service Centre and Service Delivery vide reference cited (1) & (2) above. Continuous Administrative Sanction was accorded for the scheme component "Operational Expenses including Wages to Mobile Agro Clinic" during 2020-21 as per the 3rd & 4th reference cited above.

During the financial year 2021-2022 there is a budget provision of 900.00 lakhs for the scheme "Agro Service Centre & Service Delivery" under the Head of Account: 2401-00-113-83 (P) (Rs. 650.00 Lakhs) and 4401-00-113-98 (P) (Rs. 250.00 Lakhs). One of the component of the scheme is 'Operational Expenses including Wages to Mobile Agro Clinic'. An amount of Rs. 110.00 Lakhs (Rupees One Hundred and Ten Lakhs only) is earmarked for the payment of remuneration of driver cum office attendants @Rs. 19,670 / month in accordance with the conditions stipulated in GO(P)No. 81/2019/Fin dated 09.07.2019 under the H/Ac: 2401-00-113-83 (P).

The Mobile Agro Clinics were established with the following objectives:

- 1. Monitor Pest and disease incidence, diagnosis and suggestions for remedial measures.
- 2. Finding out deficiency symptoms, micro nutrients status, soil nutrients status, soil pH etc.
- 3. To reorient the extension activities of the department, enabling service delivery at door steps

- 4. To ensure involvement of youth in the professional management of agricultural related services.
- 5. To improve the farm clinical services by providing mobility equipped with facilities for field problem diagnosis, Pest and disease management etc.

For smooth functioning of these Mobile Agro Clinics which involves extensive travel for the service delivery, drivers were **engaged locally on contract basis as there is no sanctioned post of drivers** presently for these Mobile Agro Clinics. They are paid @ Rs. 19,670/month as honorarium in accordance with the conditions of GO(P)No. 81/2019/Fin dated 09.07.2019.

The district wise financial allocation of the scheme is given in Annexure I.

Monitoring: At the district level, the scheme will be monitored and implemented by the Deputy Director of Agriculture (E&T) and Assistant Executive Engineer (Agri) under the supervision of Principal Agricultural Officer. The Principal Agricultural Officer shall submit the monthly expenditure statement of the fund allotted to the name cover of Additional Director of Agriculture (Extension) of the Directorate before 5th of every succeeding month in the proforma given in Annexure 2nd. Principal Agricultural Officer will conduct random verification regarding the proper utilization of vehicle. The custodian officer will ensure that the Logbook is maintained up to date and the vehicle is utilized exclusively for field visit and service delivery as envisaged in the scheme.

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- 1. All Project Directors, ATMA
- 2. CA to the Director of Agriculture
- 3. CA to All Additional Director of Agriculture
- 4. CA to State Agricultural Engineer
- 5. CA to Joint Director of Agriculture (AR & T) at Headquarters/Senior Finance Officer

- 6. TP Section for allotment of funds to district as per Annexure I
- 7. Deputy Director of Agriculture, IT Cell to publish in the website
- 8. SW Section to update in the Plan Space
- 9. TV/Fin Section/TG Section
- 10. Stock File/Spare

ANNEXURE 1

<u>MOBILE AGRO CLINICS 2021-2022 (HEAD OF ACCOUNT 2401-00-113-83)</u>

Sl No	District	Allotted No. of Bolero Jeeps	No. of Drivers to be appointed on contract basis	Amount of honorarium @ Rs. 19,670/- per month (Rs in lakhs)	Remarks	
1.	Thiruvananthapuram	5	5	8.85150	For 9 months	
2.	Kollam	5	5	8.85150	For 9 months	
3.	Pathanamthitta	4	4	6.29440	For 8 months	
4.	Alappuzha	6	6	7.86800	For 8 months	
5.	Kottayam	5	5	4.72080	For 8 months	
6.	Idukki	4	4	6.29440	For 8 months	
7.	Ernakulam	7	7	11.01520	For 8 months	
8.	Thrissur	6	6	7.86800	For 8 months	
9.	Palakkad	4	4	4.72080	For 8 months	
10.	Malappuram	6	6	9.44160	For 8 months	
11.	Kozhikkod	5	5	8.85150	For 9 months	
12.	Wayanad	3	3	4.72080	For 8 months	
13.	Kannur	6	6	6.29440	For 8 months	
14.	Kasargod	3	3	4.72080	For 8 months	
15.	Headquarters	6	6	9.48630	For 8 months	
Total		75	75	110.00000		

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ANNEXURE 2

PROFORMA FOR PROGRESS REPORT OF HONORARIUM FOR DRIVERS OF MOBILE DISTRICT AGRO CLINICS FOR THE MONTH OF2021-22 H/A: 2401-00-113-83

	No. of drivers engaged	No. of field visits conducted with details	Financial Target	Financial Achievement			
Sl No				Up to previous month	During this month	Progressive Total	
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