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Sub:-

Agriculture Department– Scheme on Rice Development
2021-22–Immediate works, Repair of machinery and such
other components in the context of Natural calamity -
Working Instructions issued-reg

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During the financial year 2021-22, there is a budget provision of Rs. 11614 lakh for implementation of the “Scheme on Rice Development” under the H/A 2401-00-102-90 Plan. Administrative Sanction has been received as per reference cited for the new component " **Immediate works, Repair of machinery and such other components in the context of Natural calamity**" for an amount of Rs. 50 lakh.

Objectives

When natural calamity occur due to heavy rainfall, flood etc there are many instances where immediate recovery measures are required for preventing large scale damage to existing crops thereby reducing the risk of huge economic loss to farmers. In many of such cases, lack of necessary funds serves as a limiting factor. Hence an amount of Rs. 50.00 lakh is set apart for carrying out immediate works, repair of machinery and such other

requirements in the context of natural calamity.

Programme

The proposed amount is set apart for carrying out immediate works in the situation of breach of bunds, damage of sluices, silting and blockage of drainage channels, repair of motor pumpsets, Petty Para/machineries etc and such other requirements in the context of Natural Calamity. The implementation of this project is intended as a means for providing immediate relief for farmers affected by natural calamity.

In such cases, the matter shall be reported to Assistant Director of Agriculture through the concerned Agricultural Officer and estimate of the work shall be taken with the help of LSGD Engineer/ Agrl. Engineer of the Dept/ KLDC Engineer. Along with the estimate, an agreement regarding the modalities and period of completion of work should be obtained from the Padasekhara samithies. Based on this, the Principal Agricultural Officers shall intimate fund requirements for such immediate works to the Director of Agriculture. The work shall be started only after getting sanction from the Director of Agriculture. The work should be carried out by the Padasekhara samithies and completed within the stipulated time frame. On completion of work, valuation shall be done by LSGD Engineer/ Agriculture Engineer / KLDC Engineer and based on this valuation, payment can be made through the Assistant Director of Agriculture to the concerned Padasekhara samithy.

Based on the request for funds received from the Principal Agricultural Officers the fund retained with the Director of Agriculture will be released to the district from the Head quarters .

Financial outlay:

An amount of Rs 50.00 lakh is provided under the head of account 2401-00-102-90 Plan for meeting the expenses under this component.

The following general guidelines have to be followed during the implementation of the scheme during the current year.

- i. All rules, formalities and procedures shall be followed for the implementation of the scheme. The norms of financial propriety shall be adhered to.
- ii. The expenditure would be met only from the provisions available under the appropriate head of account
- iii. The fund release will be based on actual requirement and the fund released should not be parked in banks.
- iv. Store purchase rules shall be strictly adhered to for all kinds of purchases.
- v. Tender/ e- Tender and other stipulated formalities shall be followed wherever necessary.
- vi. Post creation and purchase of vehicles are not admissible under the scheme.
- vii. Principal Agricultural Officer shall monitor the implementation of the scheme and ensure that the implementation is as per the existing procedures, rules and regulations.
- viii. Principal Agricultural Officer should submit requests for funds based on actual requirements and should prepare an implementation schedule to complete the project in time and send regular progress report on physical and financial progress on a quarterly basis.
- ix. An MoU should be signed with the concerned implementing agencies of the scheme before releasing the funds. Principal Agricultural Officers should ensure that Utilization Certificate along with final progress report is submitted in time.

Monitoring and evaluation

At the grass root level, the programme will be implemented and monitored by the Agricultural Officer and Krishi Bhavan staff. At the block level, Assistant Director of Agriculture will give proper guidance for the successful implementation of the programme to the farmers and the field level functionaries. At district level, Deputy Director of Agriculture (WM) will be monitoring the progress of achievement of the scheme. At the state level, the programme will be monitored and evaluated by Additional Director of Agriculture (CP).

Expenditure under the scheme will be met from the H/A 2401-00-102-90 plan.

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All Principal Agricultural Officers

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