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### **CIRCULAR**

Sub: Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana 2021-22- Project on Productivity

Improvement of Paddy through group farming in Kerala State" – Working instructions issued.

Ref:- GO (Rt.)No 858/2021/AGRI dated 30/10/2021

As per the reference cited, Government have accorded Administrative Sanction for the project 'Productivity Improvement of Paddy through group farming in Kerala State' under Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana 2021-22 for an amount of Rs 1500 lakh with a fund sharing pattern of 60:40 by the Central Government and State Government respectively for implementation during 2021-22.

Rice is the staple food of Keralites and this scheme aims at increasing rice production through productivity improvement and increasing cropping intensity. The farmers will be motivated to adopt group approach for reducing the cost of cultivation and also timely use of critical inputs. The project will be implemented preferably by following group approach on padasekharam basis in Alappuzha district. The major activities include cultivation of high yielding varieties, timely application of critical inputs including lime, following IPM, mechanization etc.

Under this project, assistance will be provided for paddy cultivation in an area of 33000 hectares at the rate of Rs 4500/ ha as per National Food Security Mission norms. According to that, assistance will be given for Seed @Rs.1000/ha; Lime @Rs 1000/ha; Micronutrients @ Rs 500/ha,IPM @ Rs 500/ha; Mechanization @ Rs 1500/ Ha. Assistance will also be provided for value addition; which includes installation of 53 nos. of Mini

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Rice Mills with 50% assistance limited to Rs 15000/- unit and 7 processing units with an assistance of Rs 1,00,000/unit.

During current year, it is proposed to cover 33000 ha of paddy area in Alappuzha district under this programme.

SI No	Component	Pattern of assistance	Physical target	Assistance (Rs.in lakh)
1	Seed	Rs.1000/Ha	33,000 ha	330
2	Lime	Rs 1000/Ha	33,000 ha	330
3	Micronutrients	Rs 500/Ha	33,000 ha	165
4	IPM	Rs 500/Ha	33,000 ha	165
5	Mechanization	Rs 1500/Ha	33,000 ha	495
6	Rice mills and Processing units			14.95
		Processing units @ Rs 100000/unit	7 Nos.	
	Total			1499.95

The scheme will be implemented in convergence with other paddy development scheme of the Department of Agriculture and Local Self Government achieving the ultimate goal of increasing the production and thereby income, standard of living and self reliance of the farmers. Maximum number of crop cutting experiments should be taken to

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assess the impact of the scheme by way of the production and productivity of rice achieved through the implementation of various components of the scheme.

The scheme will be implemented at the field level through the Krishi bhavans and monitored by concerned Assistant Director of Agriculture at the block level. At the district level, Deputy Director of Agriculture (WM) and Principal Agricultural Officer, Alappuzha will monitor the scheme.

The Principal Agricultural Officer, Alappuzha should submit detailed monthly progress report showing the component-wise physical and financial targets and achievements, number of Beneficiaries, stage of implementation of the scheme before  $5^{th}$  of every succeeding month.

The number of SC/ST beneficiaries and the number of women beneficiaries should also be separately shown in the monthly progress reports, in view of the fact that the Government is giving priority for the participation of the above sections in development programmes. Maximum effort should be taken to provide assistance to these sections by including them under the scheme.

The expenditure towards the implementation of the scheme shall be met from current year's budget provision. The Central share shall be met from the provisions under corresponding Head of Accounts ie. General H/A 2401-00-109-59-01 (P), SCSP - 2401-00-789-79-01 & TSP - 2401-00-796-78-01 and State share from the provisions under corresponding Head of Accounts ie. General- 2401-00-109-59-02, SCSP -2401-00-789-79-02 & TSP -2401-00-796-78-02.

The Principal Agricultural Officer, Alappuzha should ensure that the funds allotted should be utilized fully and Completion report and Utilization Certificate submitted to the undersigned on or before 31 st March, 2022. At the State level, Additional Director of Agriculture (CP) will monitor

the implementation of scheme.

# **Director of Agriculture**

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Principal Agricultural Officer, Alappuzha

TA to Director of Agriculture

CA to all Additional Directors of Agriculture

Deputy Director of Agriculture, IT Cell

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