

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Agriculture Department - Annual Plan 2022-23 - Scheme "Support to Farm Mechanization" - Revised Administrative Sanction accorded - Orders issued.

AGRICULTURE (IFA) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.198/2023/AGRI

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 01-03-2023

- Read:- 1. Lr No.ADFW/4099/2022-TP2 dated 24.05.2022 of the Director, Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Thiruvananthapuram.
 - 2. Minutes of the Working Group Meeting held on 01.06.2022.
 - 3. G.O(Rt)No.514/2022/Agri dated 13.06.2022.
 - 4. Lr.No.ADFW/4099/2022-TP2 dated 13.02.2023 of the Director, Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Thiruvananthapuram.

ORDER

In the Annual Plan 2022-23 a budget provision of ₹ 1181.00 lakh is earmarked for the scheme "Support to Farm Mechanization" under Head of account 2401-00-113-83 Plan.

2) The proposal submitted by the Director of Agriculture, as per the letter read as 1st paper above, has been considered by the Departmental Working Group held on 01.06.2022 and as per Government Order read as 3rd paper above, Administrative Sanction was accorded for the scheme with the following components, objectives and conditions:-

A. COMPONENTS

Sl.No.	Component	Financial Outlay (Rs. in lakh)
1.	Support to Karshika Karma Sena business fund	92.00
2.	Group insurance scheme to members of Karshika Karma Sena and Agro Service Centres and newly formed Krishisree centres	
3.	Operational expenses including wages to mobile clinics of Agro Service Centres	158.00
4.	Functional expenses of KSAMM	200.00
5.	Honorarium to Data Entry Operators of NeGP	286.00
6.	Internships at Krishi Bhavans (apprentice VHSC) 280.00	
7.	Fuel charges and operational expenses of two wheelers attached to Krishi Bhavans	145.00
	TOTAL	1181.00

B. OBJECTIVES

- To provide accidental coverage to the members of the Agro Service Centres Karmasenas.
- To provide business fund to the Karshika Karmasena in a profitable manner and to equip Karshika Karmasenas for selecting the enterprises suited to their location.
- To provide an opportunity for aspiring educated youth to obtain hands-on experience in execution of Government programmes at grass root level through internship.
- To provide support for Assistant Directors at Block level by engaging Data Entry Operators of NeGP.
- To provide mobility by supporting the expenses of mobile agri clinics and vehicles attached to Krishi Bhavans for field level inspections & verification by the field level officers.

C. CONDITIONS SPECIFIED BY THE WORKING GROUP

- a. The support of Karshika Karma Sena is only for the development of business model only for the farm based plans and to be integrated with "Njngalum Krishiyilekk"
- **b.** The fund requested for Component No.6 "Internship at Krishi Bhavans" shall also be utilised for the documentations of each 7 components under farm mechanization.
- c. The Director of Agriculture shall conduct a detailed evaluation of Karshika Karmasena.
- d. Performance Appraisal of Karshika Karmasena in each district will be undertaken and collected at DA level.
- 3) The Director of Agriculture, as per the letter read as 4th paper above, has informed that request for sanction of additional funds to the following components under the scheme has been received and provision of necessary funds to meet additional requirement for the components is a necessity:-
 - Operational expenses including wages to mobile clinics of Agro Service Centres -₹3.32260 lakh.
 - 2. Honorarium to Data Entry Operators of NeGP ₹134.00 lakh.
- 4) As the available budget provision sanctioned for the above two components is insufficient to meet the requirement up to the end of the financial year, the Director of Agriculture requested Government to accord sanction for the utilization of savings available under various components under the same scheme to meet this additional requirement, through revision of financial outlay of components under the scheme "Support to Farm Mechanization" without change in the total outlay.
- 5) Government have examined the matter in detail. Since there is no change in the components and also no change in the total budget outlay, Government are pleased to accord revised Administrative Sanction for the Annual Plan 2022-23 Scheme 'Support to Farm Mechanization' for an amount of ₹1181.00 lakh (Rupees Eleven Crore Eighty One Lakh only) under Head of Account 2401-00-113-83 Plan, with the following financial outlay:-

SI.	Component	Financial Outlay as per original AS (Rs. in lakh)	Revised Outlay (Rs. in lakh)
1.	Support to Karshika Karma Sena business fund	92.00	54.6774
2.	Group insurance scheme to members of Karshika Karma Sena and Agro Service Centres and newly formed Krishisree centres	20.00	20.00
3.	Operational expenses including wages to mobile clinics of Agro Service Centres	158.00	161.32260
4.	Functional expenses of KSAMM	200.00	200.00
5.	Honorarium to Data Entry Operators of NeGP	286.00	420.00
6.	Internships at Krishi Bhavans (apprentice VHSC)	280.00	180.00
7.	Fuel charges and operational expenses of two wheelers attached to Krishi Bhavans	145.00	145.00
	TOTAL	1181.00	1181.0

- 6) The project will be managed by the Additional Director of Agriculture (Extension) at the Directorate of Agriculture, and the project implementation will be completed by 31.03.2023.
- 7) The following general conditions should be scrupulously followed, wherever applicable, while implementing the scheme:-
 - 1. All rules, formalities and procedures shall be strictly followed for the implementation of the scheme. The norms of financial propriety shall be adhered to.
 - 2. The expenditure would be met only from the provision available under the appropriate head of account.
 - 3. The fund release will be based on actual requirement, and the fund released should not be parked in banks.
 - 4. Store Purchase Rules shall be strictly adhered to for all kinds of purchases.
 - 5. Tender/e-tender and other stipulated formalities shall be followed wherever necessary.
 - 6. Post creation and purchase of vehicles are not admissible under the scheme.
 - 7. The Head of Departments shall monitor the implementation of the scheme and ensure that the implementation is as per the existing procedures, rules and regulations.
 - 8. The implementation agencies/Departments also should prepare an implementation schedule to complete the project in time and send regular progress report on financial and physical progress on a quarterly basis to the Head of Department.
 - 9. The Director should hold monitoring meetings to review the progress and send report to Government regarding the progress of implementation of the approved scheme.
 - 10. The Director of Agriculture shall sign an MoU with the concerned implementing

agencies of the scheme before releasing the funds. It should also be ensured that the Utilization Certificates pertain to all schemes are submitted by the agencies in time.

- 11. AIMS portal registration and Digital Soil Health Card is mandatory.
- 12. Geo fencing & Geo tagging is mandatory. It should be ensured in every scheme wherever beneficiaries exist.
- 13. Plan review will be conducted on every month.

(By order of the Governor)

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ADDITIONAL SECRETARY

To:

The Director, Department of Agriculture Development and Farmers Welfare, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Special Officer, (KKS &ASC) & the Chief Executive Officer, Kerala State Agricultural Mechanization Mission, Agricultural Research Station, Mannuthy, Thrissur.

The Principal Accountant General (Audit)/(A&E) Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Member Secretary, State Planning Board, Pattom, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Agriculture (PB) Department (vide U.O. No.PB2/50/2023/Agri dated 28.02.2023)

The Finance Department.

The Planning & Economic Affairs Department.

The Information & Public Relation (Web & New Media) Department.

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Copy to:

PS to Minister (Agriculture).

PA to Principal Secretary (Agriculture).

PA to Additional Secretary, Agriculture Department.

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Section Officer