



## GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

### Abstract

Agriculture Department – Conduct of Central Sector Scheme on Digital Crop Survey (Pilot) During 2023 – Sanction to meet the Preliminary Expenditure including Conduct of the training to Officials and Survey Volunteers from the Administrative cost of PMKISAN scheme – Orders issued.

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### AGRICULTURE (FARMS) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.939/2023/AGRI Dated,Thiruvananthapuram, 27-09-2023

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Read 1 GO (Rt) No. 827/2023/Agri Dated 17.08.2023

2 GO (Rt) No. 6601/2023/Fin Dated 16.09.2023

3 Letter No. ADFW/9697/2023-ITI dated 20.09.2023 of the Director, Agriculture Department.

### ORDER

Government as per the Government order read as 1<sup>st</sup> paper above, accorded sanction for designating the Director of Agriculture Development and Farmers' Welfare, Thiruvananthapuram as the Single Nodal Agency for the Centrally Sponsored Scheme/Digital Crop Survey, implemented by the Department of Agriculture Development and Farmers' Welfare Department. As per the Order read as 2<sup>nd</sup> paper above, Government have accorded sanction a new head of account for this purpose.

As per the letter read as 3<sup>rd</sup> paper above the Director of Agriculture Development and Farmers' Welfare Thiruvananthapuram has submitted a proposal for according sanction to meet the preliminary expenditure including the conduct of training to officials and survey volunteers from the administrative cost of PMKISAN scheme. The Director reported that the officials from various departments, including officials from the Department of Agriculture Development and Farmers' Welfare, Land Revenue an Department of Survey and Land Records, are to be trained in advance for the conduct of pilot digital crop survey in the state.

To conduct training for official and surveyors, funds @ 250/per day per trainee and an amount of Rs. 3000-5000/- per day for venue arrangement and miscellaneous expenses are required. Other expenses related to travel, accommodation, TA, allowances, miscellaneous expenses are also needed since master trainers from other Department (Revenue), trainers and officials from government of India and other resource persons are engaged in training related

activities. A total amount of Rs. 29,34,700/- is earmarked for training related expenses in the Project proposal submitted to Government of India. PMKISAN data base forms the federated Farmer data base which is the primary pillar of the Agri-stack proposed by the Government of India and Geo-referencing to Village maps and digital crop survey are the subsequent activities for the development of Agri-stack.

It is further reported that the survey needs to be conducted during Kharif 2023 season itself and before starting harvest the training need to be done at the earliest. Citing all the above scenario, Director submitted the proposal for sanction to utilize the amount required for conduct of training from the administrative expenses available under the PMKISAN Samman Nidhi Scheme maintained by the Director of Agriculture.

Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to accord sanction to utilize an amount of Rs. 29,34,700/- (Rupees Twenty Nine Lakhs Thirty Four Thousand and Seven Hundred Only) required for conduct of training as reported by Director, Agriculture Development and Farmers' Welfare Department from the administrative expenses available under the PMKISAN Samman Nidhi Scheme maintained by the Director of Agriculture.

(By order of the Governor)  
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To:

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Department, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Principal Accountant General(Audit/A&E), Kerala,  
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The Chief Executive Officer, Vegetable & Fruit Promotion  
Council, Keralam,Kochi.

Finance Department (vide U.O No.2450979/Agri-B1/198/2023-  
FIN dated 30-06-2023).

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