



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Agriculture Department - Annual Plan 2023-24 - Scheme "Strengthening of Agricultural Extension"- Administrative Sanction accorded-Orders

AGRICULTURE (PLANNING-B) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.467/2023/AGRI Dated,Thiruvananthapuram, 17-05-2023

Read 1 Letter No.ADFW/3757/2023-TP2 Dated 12.04.2023 from the
Director, Agriculture Development & Farmer's Welfare Department
2 Minutes of the Working Group meeting held on 02.05.2023

ORDER

In the Annual Plan 2023-24, a budget provision of Rs.3028.00 lakh is earmarked for the scheme "Strengthening of Agricultural Extension" under the Head of account 2401-00-109-80 Plan. As per the letter read above, the Director of agriculture has submitted a proposal for the scheme "Strengthening of Agricultural Extension" for an amount of Rs.962.44 lakh (Rupees Nine Crore Sixty two lakh and Forty Four thousand only) under the Head of Account 2401-00-109-80 Plan.

2) Abstract of components included in the proposal and details are as follows;

SLNo	Name of the Component	Rate Per Unit	No. of units	Amount (Rs. lakh)
1	Upgradation of training centres, RATTCs & FTCs			50.00
2	Award for best performers			70.00
3	KISSAN Project			60.00
4	Conduct of VAIGA			100.00
5	Imprest fund for immediate needs of Krishibhavans			75.44
6	Agro-Clinics & Social Audit	Rs.0.1 lakh/unit	70	7.00
7	Njngalum Krishiyilekk-Krishikoottam- Venture capital fund			600.00
	Total			962.44

Objectives

The main objectives of this proposal are detailed below.

1. To improve the basic infrastructure facilities of the training institutions under the Department of Agriculture.
2. To improve the social status of the farmers by recognising them by giving various rewards and awards.
3. To support the mass media programmes and documentation of success stories in the field of farming.
4. To conduct the programme of VAIGA for the entrepreneurship development and improving the income of farmers by value addition in agriculture.
5. To meet the immediate requirement of emergency funds for the Krishibhavan of the state.
6. To conduct social audit and ward level agro-clinics for effective evaluation of schemes and transfer of technology
7. To provide venture capital fund for Krishikoottams to take up activities related to production, service, processing and marketing.

3) The Working Group Meeting for the year 2023-24 held on 02.05.2023 considered the proposal in detail and agreed to issue administrative sanction except component no.7 Njngalum Krishiyilekk- Krishikoottam- Venture capital fund.

4) In this circumstances, Government have examined the proposal and the decision of the Working Group in detail and are pleased to accord Administrative Sanction for the scheme "Strengthening of Agricultural Extension " for an amount of Rs.362.44 lakh (Rupees Three Crore Sixty Two Lakh and Forty Four Thousand only) except component no.7 Njngalum Krishiyilekk- Krishikoottam- Venture capital fund. The expenditure will be met from the Head of Account 2401-00-109-80- Plan. The Project will be managed by the Additional Director of Agriculture (Extension) and the project shall be completed by 31.03.2024.

5) The following General Conditions should be followed, wherever applicable;

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.
- viii. The implementation agencies/ Departments also should prepare an
8. implementation schedule to complete the project in time and send regular progress report on financial and physical progress on a quarterly basis.
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, Agriculture / Director of Soil Survey & Soil Conservation Department 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.
14. The administrative sanction accorded is inclusive of the amount put under e-LAMS and amount need for encashing the queue bills.

6) The Director of Agriculture will draw and disburse the amount of the scheme to the implementing agency for implementation of the project.

(By order of the Governor)
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Finance (Agri-B) Department.

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