

Directorate of Agriculture Development and Farmers' Welfare

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Sub:- Annual Plan 2023-24 – Rice Development Scheme – modified Working Instructions – Issued – Regarding.

Ref:- 1) G.O.(Rt)No.800/2023/AGRI dated Thiruvananthapuram, 08/08/2023.

2) No: ADFW/8040/2023-TA1 Date: 07/09/2023

3) G.O(Rt) No. 113/2024/AGRI Thiruvananthapuram dated: 07/02/2024.

As per reference 1 cited, Government has accorded Administrative Sanction for the implementation of Rice Development Scheme 2023-24 under the 'Area Expansion and Development Approach' programme in the Annual Plan 2023-24 for Rs.9315.00 Lakh under the H/A 2401-00-102-90 (Plan). Vide reference (2) cited, working instructions have been issued to districts for the implementation of the scheme.

Vide reference (3) cited, Administrative Sanction has been accorded by Government to meet the additional amount of Rs.229.7091 Lakhs expended by Alappuzha and Kottayam districts for distribution of lime under the scheme "Soil and Root health management 2022-23", from Paddy Royalty component of Rice Development Scheme 2023-24, with directions to revise the target under Paddy Royalty component of Rice Development Scheme 2023-24.

Under these circumstances, the working instructions issued vide reference (2) cited based on reference (1) is modified to the extent given below for the two components viz, Royalty to paddy land owners and Support for soil and root health management and productivity improvement through lime application for paddy crop.

The financial targets are revised as follows as per Order No. cited as reference (3) for field level implementation and sanction is accorded to Alappuzha and Kottayam districts to expend the amount of Rs.229.7091 Lakhs under the Head of Account 2401-00-102-90-00-34 PV.

Sl. No.	Component	Financial (Rs. In Lakhs) Budget provision for 2023-24	Financial (Rs. In Lakhs) Revised
1	Paddy Royalty	600.00	370.2909
2	Support for soil and root health management and productivity improvement through lime application for paddy crop- Liming material	2650.00	2879.7091
	Total	3250.00	3250.00

Principal Agricultural Officers shall monitor the implementation of the scheme and ensure that the implementation is as per the guidelines issued vide reference (2) and the existing procedures, rules and regulations. Principal Agricultural Officers should send regular progress report on financial and physical progress every month.

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DIRECTOR

For Director of Agriculture

To,

All Principal Agricultural Officers

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- 1) TA to Director of Agriculture
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ANNEXURE-1

The working instruction issued vide reference (2) cited stands modified to the above extent.

Accordingly, the target for the component “Support for soil and root health management and productivity improvement through lime application for paddy crop-Liming material” for the districts of Alappuzha and Kottayam stands revised and is attached as Annexure I.

Revised target for the component “Support for soil and root health management and productivity improvement through lime application for paddy crop-Liming material” for the districts Alappuzha and Kottayam under Rice Development Scheme 2023-24

Component	District	Target allotted		Revised Target	
		Physical (Ha)	Financial (Rs. In Lakhs)	Physical (Ha)	Financial (Rs.In Lakhs)
Support for soil and root health management and productivity improvement through lime application for paddy crop-Liming material	Alappuzha	14803.7	799.399	17926.46	968.02902
	Kottayam	7407.4	400.00	8538.5	461.07908

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Additional Director of Agriculture CP (i/c)

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