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Sub:- Annual Plan 2024-25- Scheme on '*Operational expenses including Wages to drivers of Mobile Clinics of Agro service centres*' under the scheme on 'Support to Farm Mechanization-Administrative sanction accorded-Working Instructions issued.

Ref:- 1)Order no.ADFW/4230/2024-TP2 Dt 28/04/2024
2)G.O(Rt)No.317/2024/AGRI,Agri(Farms)Department Dt 30/03/2024
3)Government letter No.AF3/319/2021/Agri Agri (Farms)Department Dt 18/04/2024

Vide reference 1 st cited above, Director of Agriculture has accorded continuous Administrative Sanction for the implementation of the scheme 'Support to Farm Mechanization' during 2024-25.

During the financial year 2024-25, there is a budget provision of Rs.895.00 Lakh for the scheme 'Support to Farm Mechanization' under the H/A: 2401-00-113-83 (P), under which an amount of Rs.150.00 Lakh is earmarked for the component "Operational Expenses including wages to Mobile Agro Clinics of Agro Service Centres" with remuneration @ Rs.20,065/- per month.

The Mobile Agro Clinics were established with the following objectives;

- 1.Monitor Pest and disease incidence, diagnosis and suggestions for remedial measures.
- 2.Finding out deficiency symptoms, micro nutrients status, soil nutrients status,soil pH etc
- 3.To re-orient the extension activities of the department.enabling service delivery at door steps.
- 4.To ensure involvement of youth in the professional management of Agriculture related services.
- 5.To improve the farm clinical services by providing mobility equipped with facilities for field problem diagnosis. pest and disease management.etc.
- 6.To provide mobility by supporting the expenses of mobile agro clinics for field level inspections and verification by the field level officers.

For the smooth functioning of these Mobile Agro Clinics which involves extensive travel for the service delivery, drivers were engaged locally on contract basis as there is no sanctioned post of drivers for the Mobile Agro Clinics.

Vide ref 2nd cited above, The Government has given sanction for 6

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Drivers cum Office Attendants at the Directorate to continue on daily wages after giving one day break for a period of 179 days. Following this period they will be terminated, and vacancies will be filled through the Employment Exchange during the FY 2024-25.

The continuation of Drivers cum Office Attendants under the above scheme in districts will be subject to the decision of the Government vide reference 3rd cited above.

Monitoring:-

At the district level the scheme will be monitored and implemented by the Deputy Director of Agriculture (E&T) and the Assistant Executive Engineer (Agri) under the Supervision of Principal Agricultural Officer. The Principal Agricultural Officer shall submit the monthly expenditure statement of the fund allotted in the E-mail id of Additional Director of Agriculture (Extension) of the Directorate before 5th of every succeeding month. Principal Agricultural officers will conduct random verification regarding the proper utilization of vehicle. The custodian officer will ensure that the logbook is maintained up to date and the vehicle is utilized exclusively for visit and service delivery as envisaged in the same.

**SEERAM SAMBASIVA RAO IAS
DIRECTOR**

To 1) All Principal Agricultural Officers
2) All Project Directors, ATMA
3) All Assistant Directors of Agriculture

Copy to: 1) CA to the Director of Agriculture
2) CA to All Additional Directors of Agriculture
3) CA to State Agricultural Engineer
4) CA to Joint Director of Agriculture (AR&T) Senior Finance Officer
5) Planning Section
6) The Deputy Director of Agriculture, IT Cell- for publishing in the website.
7) SW Section- for updating in PLAN SPACE
8) TV/Finance Section/ TG Section
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