

Agriculture Department - Annual Plan 2024-25 - Scheme "Organic Farming and Good Agricultural Practices" - Administrative Sanction -Modified - Orders issued.

AGRICULTURE (PLANNING-B) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.1213/2024/AGRI Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 28-12-2024

Read 1 GO (Rt) No. 525/2024/AGRI dated 13.06.2024

2 GO (Rt) No.640/2024/AGRI dated 12.07.2024

3 GO (P) No.57/2024/Fin dated 17.07.2024

4 GO (P) No.76/2024/Fin dated 31.08.2024

Letter no. ADFW/212/2020-TP2 dated 13.12.2024 from the

- 5 Director, Agriculture Development & Farmers' Welfare Department, Thiruvananthapuram
- 6 Minutes of the Chief Secretary's Committee Meeting held on 17.12.2024

<u>ORDER</u>

As per the Government Order read as 1 st paper, Administrative Sanction was accorded for the implementation of the scheme "Organic Farming and Good Agricultural Practice" for an amount of Rs.600.00 lakh (Rupees Six Hundred Lakh only) under Head of Account 2401-00-105-85 Plan for the year 2024-25.

2. As per the directions contained in G.O. read as 3 rd and 4th papers above, the proposals that were prioritized for the FY 2024- 25 submitted by the Director of Agriculture vide letter above, was placed before the Chief Secretary's Committee constituted as per the order read as 3rd paper above. The Chief Secretary's Committee meeting held on 17/12/2024 has approved the scheme by limiting the Administrative Sanction amount to the tune of Rs 300 lakh.

3. Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to modify the Government Order read as 1^{st} paper above, by limiting the Administrative Sanction amount to Rs. 300 lakh (Rupees Three Hundred

lakh only) subject to the following.

- The Director of Agriculture shall prioritize the sub components in a phased manner or by deleting/revising the sub components, as necessary, to align with the revised allocation .
- High-impact and essential programs, focusing on activities critical to food security and agricultural productivity to be prioritised .
- Non-essential or low-impact initiatives should be deferred, and operational costs minimized to maximize direct benefits to farmers.
- Equity must be ensured, protecting marginalized and smallholder farmers.
- If the already expended amount either exceeds the revised allocation or falls short of meeting the committed expenditure within the head of head of account , the Director of Agriculture shall forward the proposal for re appropriation within the total revised allocation immediately.
- The Director of Agriculture shall monitor and report the compliance.

4. The Government Order read as 1 st paper above stands modified to the above extent only.

(By order of the Governor) BALAGOPAL K K ADDITIONAL SECRETARY

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

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

Finance Department (Uo.No.2971313/PLG-B2/150/2024-FIN dated 20.12.2024)

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