



## ABSTRACT

Agriculture – National Agriculture Development Programme (Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana) – Department of Agricultural Engineering – Provision of 100 Nos. of Solar Driers to the farmers and farmers' groups under National Agriculture Development Programme for the year 2014-15 – Sanction of Rs.200.00 lakh- Orders Issued.

### AGRICULTURE (AP1) DEPARTMENT

G.O (Ms.) No. 140

Dated: 17.09.2014

திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு 2045, புரட்டாசி - 01

Read:

From the Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering), Letter No. SC.4 / 30482 / 2014, dated 08.08.2014.

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### ORDER:

On 07.08.2014, under Rule 110 of the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly, among others, Hon'ble Chief Minister has announced that to promote the utilization of solar energy among farmers and farmers groups, Solar Driers with 50% subsidy will be installed in a phased manner. During 2014-15, 100 Nos. of Solar Driers at a cost of Rs.4.00 crore will be installed with proper linkages of Agro Processing, Value addition and Marketing with due credit support from Co-operative Department as phase-I.

2. Based on the above announcement, the Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) in his proposal has stated that the State has already taken initiative in the year 2012-13, for the promotion of Solar energy in agriculture sector, by providing solar powered pumping system with subsidy assistance to the farmers for pumping water for irrigation from bore wells, open wells and surface storage structures.

3. With this background, the Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) has requested the Government to sanction a sum of Rs.200.00 lakh towards "Provision of 100 Nos. of Solar Driers to the farmers and farmers' groups at 50% subsidy assistance under National Agriculture Development Programme for the year 2014-15 in anticipation of approval / ratification in the next State Level Sanctioning Committee meeting.

4. The Government after careful examination, accept the proposal of Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) and accord sanction for a sum of Rs.200.00 lakh (Rupees Two crore only) towards implementation of the scheme Provision of 100 Nos. of Solar Driers to the farmers and farmers' groups at 50% subsidy assistance under National Agriculture Development programme (Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana) for the year 2014-15 to the implementing agency i.e. Department of Agricultural Engineering, subject to the condition that under no circumstances any deviation from the decision of the State Level Sanctioning Committee is permitted.

5. The funds available under existing Centrally Sponsored / Central Sector Schemes should invariably be tapped before using Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana / National Agriculture Development Programme funds for the above project. The project should follow centrally prescribed cost norms and approved pattern of assistance. The Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) should take due care to ensure that there is no duplication of subsidy.

6. The Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) should personally oversee and ensure the technical, quality control and reasonableness of rates and estimates of the implementation of the scheme.

7. The expenditure sanctioned in para.4 above shall be debited to the following Head of Account:-

"2402-00- Soil and Water Conservation – 102 – Soil Conservation - Schemes in the Twelfth Five Year Plan- II State Plan – JZ National Agricultural Development Programme (NADP/RKVY) – Agricultural Engineering Department – 11 Subsidies – 01 Individual Based Subsidy"  
(DPC 2402 – 00 – 102 – JZ - 1111)

8. The Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) is authorized to draw and disburse the amount sanctioned in para 4 above to the concerned

9. The Director of Agriculture / Director of Horticulture and Plantation Crops shall identify suitable beneficiary farmers and farmers groups installing Solar Driers and establish proper linkage for credit support from Co-operative Department. The Director of Agricultural Marketing and Agri. Business shall establish necessary linkages for marketing of the dried produce.

10. The Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) is directed to follow the operational guidelines of National Agriculture Development Programme (Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana) while implementing the above scheme.

11. The Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) is directed to obtain approval and ratification in the next State Level Sanctioning Committee meeting for the above scheme.

12. The Tamil Nadu Watershed Development Agency which is the Nodal Agency, in consultation with the Head of the Departments concerned to prescribe benchmarks for outcomes, milestones with time lines and monitor the outcomes through RDMIS to ensure that they are adhered to by the implementing departments.

13. The Executive Director, Tamil Nadu Watershed Development Agency is requested to send the monthly progress report to Government of India, in the prescribed format by 10<sup>th</sup> of the subsequent month under intimation to this Government without fail.

14. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.No. 49435/Agri/2014, dated: 16.09.2014.

/BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR/

SANDEEP SAXENA  
AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION COMMISSIONER  
AND PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering), Chennai 35.

The Director of Agriculture, Chennai 5.

The Director of Horticulture and Plantation Crops, Chennai 5.

The Director of Agricultural Marketing and Agri Business, Chennai 32.

The Director of Seed Certification, Coimbatore-13.

The Director of Sugar, Chennai-35.

The Registrar, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore-3.

The Vice Chancellor, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore-3.

The Director of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services, Chennai-6.

The Commissioner of Milk Production and Dairy Development, Chennai-51.  
The Commissioner of Fisheries, Chennai-6.  
The Vice-Chancellor, Tamil Nadu Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Chennai-51.  
The Executive Director, Tamil Nadu Watershed Development Agency,  
Chennai 32.  
The Secretary, Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Agriculture and  
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The Secretary, Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Animal  
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The Secretary to Government, Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries Department,  
Chennai-9.  
The Member-Secretary, State Planning Commission, Chennai 5.  
All District Collectors.  
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The Accountant General (Audit), Chennai-18.  
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