



ABSTRACT

Agriculture – National Mission on Agricultural Extension and Technology – Sub Mission on Seeds and Planting Material – Promotion of Farmer Producers Organization – Setting up of 11 Seed Processing Units & Seed Storage Godown facilities – Release of funds to the tune of Rs.6.60 crore – Orders – issued.

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Read:

1. From the Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare, letter No.15-4/2017-SD VI, dated 13.10.2017 and 25.01.2018
2. The Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Small Farmers' Agriculture Business Consortium (TNSFAC), letter No.TNFAC/680/2017 dated 17.11.2017 and 23.11.2017.
3. From the Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare, letter No.15-4/2017-SD VI, dated 23.2.2018.
4. From the Commissioner of Agricultural Marketing and Agri Business, Letter No.TNSFAC/680/2016, dated 12.03.2018.

ORDER:-

In the letters first read above, the Government of India have informed that Group of Secretaries (GOS) for Group-I Agriculture & Allied Sector has recommended to expand Seed Village Programme from 30,000 villages to 60,000 villages and also recommended to set up 500 Seed Processing & Storage Godown (500 MT capacity) at Gram Panchayat Level during the year 2017-18 with 100% Grants – in – aid and also informed that among others, for Tamil Nadu, the number of Seed Village Programme has been enhanced by 838 villages. The Government of India have requested the State Government to prepare action plan according to the operational guidelines for the Seed processing and Storage Godown at Gram Panchayat Level by Farmers Producing Organizations (FPOs), Self Help Groups (SHGs), etc.

2. In the letters 2nd read above, the Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Small Farmers' Agriculture Business Consortium (TNSFAC), has sent proposal to the Government of India, for setting up of Seed Production – Seed processing units and 500 MT Seed Godowns for 11 FPOs under the component of creation of Seed Infrastructure Facilities of Sub-Mission on Seeds and Planting Material (SMSP) of National Mission on Agricultural Extension Technology (NMAET) at the total cost of Rs.6.60 crore.

(p.t.o.)

3. In the letter 3rd read above, the Government of India have conveyed its approval and released a sum of Rs.6.60 crore as Grants - in - aid for setting up of 11 Seed Production, Processing Storage Godown at Gram Panchayat Level under "creation of Seed Infrastructure facilities" component of Sub-Mission on Seeds and Planting Material (SMSP).

4. In the letter 4th read above, the Commissioner of Agricultural Marketing and Agri Business / Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Small Farmers' Agriculture Business Consortium has sent proposal for setting up of Seed Production – Seed Processing Units and 500 MT Seed Godowns for the 11 FPOs under the component of creation of Seed Infrastructure facilities of SMSP with a total budget outlay of Rs.660 lakh @ Rs.60.00 lakh per Farmer Producer Organization and requested to release Rs.6.60 crore, as 100% grants-in-aid, for implementation of the project and requested to credit the above amount into the SB account of Tamil Nadu Small Farmers' Agriculture Business Consortium (TNSFAC).

5. While moving the Demand on the floor of the assembly on 12.6.2018, among others, the Hon'ble Minister for Agriculture has made the following announcement:-

“தரமான விதைகளின் தேவைகளை பூர்த்தி செய்வதற்கு தமிழ்நாடு சிறுவிவசாயிகள் வேளாண் வணிக நட்பமைப்பின் மூலமாக ஏற்படுத்தப்பட்டு வரும் உழவர் உற்பத்தியாளர் நிறுவனங்களுக்கு நிதி உதவி வழங்கி விதை சுத்திகரிப்பு மையம் தொடங்குவதற்கு அரசு முன்னுரிமை வழங்கும். உழவர் உற்பத்தியாளர் நிறுவனம் ஒன்றுக்கு 60 இலட்சம் ரூபாய் வீதம் 10 மாவட்டங்களில் 11 உழவர் உற்பத்தியாளர் நிறுவனங்கள் மூலமாக விதை சுத்திகரிப்பு மையத்துடன் கூடிய சேமிப்பு கிடங்குகள் அமைப்பதற்காக மொத்தம் 6 கோடியே 60 இலட்சம் ரூபாய் நிதி ஒதுக்கீடு செய்யப்படும்.”

6. With a view to implement the announcement, the Government accept the proposal of the Commissioner of Agricultural Marketing and Agri Business / Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Small Farmers' Agriculture Business Consortium at para.4 above and release a sum of Rs.6.60 Crore (Rupees Six crore and sixty lakh only) as 100% grants – in – aid for formation of Seed processing units cum seed storage Godowns for the following 11 FPOs @ Rs.60 lakh each under component of creation of Seed Infrastructure Facilities of Sub-Mission on Seeds and Planting Material (SMSP) of National Mission on Agricultural Extension Technology (NMAET), subject to the condition that the funds only be utilized for the above said purpose and no diversion of funds will be allowed in any case.

Sl.No.	District	Name of Farmers Producers Organization (FPO)	Crop proposed
1	Pudukottai	Pudukottai Organic Producer Company Ltd.	Paddy
2	Salem	Thangathamarai Farmer Producer Company Ltd.	Pulses
3	Villupuram	Raja Desingh Producer Company Ltd	Pulses
4	Pudukottai	Illupur Agricultural Producer Company Ltd.	Pulses

Sl.No.	District	Name of Farmers Producers Organization (FPO)	Crop proposed
5	Tiruppur	Muthur Maize Producer Company Ltd.	Maize
6	Trichy	Trichy pasumai Producer Company Ltd.	Groundnut
7	Cuddalore	Veeranarayanan Farmer Producer Company Ltd	Paddy & Black gram
8	Nagapattinam	Cauvery Farmer Producer Company Ltd	Paddy
9	Tiruvannamalai	Cheyyar Farmer Producer Company Ltd.	Groundnut & Pulses
10	Thiruvarur	Thiruvarur Pulses Producer Company Ltd.	Paddy & Pulses
11	Erode	Erode Precision Farm Producer Company Ltd.	Paddy, Greengram, Blackgram & Minor Millets

7. The expenditure sanctioned in para.6 above shall be debited to the following new Head of Account:-

“2435 Other Agricultural Programme – 01 – Marketing and Quality Control – 101 Marketing facilities – Central Sector Schemes – SG Implementation scheme of Sub Mission on Seeds and Planting Materials – 09 Grants – in - Aid 03 Grants for Specific Scheme”.

(DPC 2435 00 101 SG 0935) - Rs.660.00 lakh

8. The Commissioner of Agricultural Marketing and Agri Business is the Estimating, Reconciling and Controlling authority to the above new sub head of account. The Pay and Accounts Officer / Treasury Officer's are requested to open the above new sub head of account in their accounts.

9. Necessary additional funds of Rs.660.00 lakhs will be provided in Revised Estimate / Final Modified Appropriation 2018-19 under the relevant head of accounts. Pending provision of such funds, the Commissioner of Agricultural Marketing and Agri Business is permitted to draw and disburse the amount sanctioned in para.6 above. However, the expenditure shall be brought to the notice of the Legislature by specific inclusion in the Supplementary Estimate. The Commissioner of Agricultural Marketing and Agri Business is requested to include this expenditure while sending the proposal for Revised Estimate/ Final Modified Appropriation 2018-19 and also to send necessary explanatory notes for including the above expenditure in the Supplementary Estimates 2018-19 to Government in Finance (BG-1/Agri) Department at the appropriate time without fail.

10. The Commissioner of Agricultural Marketing and Agri Business/Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Small Farmers' Agriculture Business Consortium is directed to submit quarterly Physical and Financial Progress report etc, to Government of India from time to time and also intimate to this Government.

