



ABSTRACT

Agriculture – Implementation of Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana, Unified Package Insurance Scheme and Coconut Palm Insurance Scheme in Tamil Nadu during 2018 - 2019 - Administrative approval – Accorded - Orders - Issued.

AGRICULTURE (AP2) DEPARTMENT

திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு 2049, விளம்பி, ஆனி மாதம் 4-ஆம் நாள்

G.O.(Ms) No.147.

Dated: 18.06.2018.

Read:

1. G.O.(Ms).No.220, Agriculture (AP6) Department, dated 21.7.2016.
2. G.O.(Ms).No.135, Agriculture (AP6) Department, dated 24.5.2017.
3. The Director (Credit), Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare Letter No.13015/03/2016-Credit-II, dated 25.4.2018.
4. The Director of Agriculture Letter No.G1/16901/2018, dated 30.4.2018.

ORDER:

In the Government Order first read above, among others, orders have been issued according administrative approval for implementation of Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana at a cost of Rs.487.3703 crore in all the districts of Tamil Nadu except Chennai from Kharif, 2016 season onwards.

2. In the Government Order second read above among others, orders have been issued according administrative approval for implementation of Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana at a cost of Rs.522.70 crore (Agriculture Department: Rs.513.20 crore and Horticulture Department: Rs.9.50 crore) in all the districts of Tamil Nadu except Chennai during 2017-2018 as per the administrative approval and Operational Guidelines of Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana issued by the Government of India.

3. The Government of India in their letter third read above has informed that administrative approval for implementation of Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana, Restructured Weather Based Crop Insurance Scheme, Coconut Palm Insurance Scheme and Unified Package Insurance Scheme has further been extended for the year 2018-2019 and onwards till any further orders in the matter. They have also requested the participating State Governments to take necessary action urgently and issue appropriate instructions to concerned departments / agencies at State level and make adequate budgetary provision for successful implementation of Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana, Restructured Weather Based Crop Insurance Scheme, Coconut Palm Insurance Scheme and Unified Package Insurance Scheme.

4. The Director of Agriculture in his letter fourth read above has stated that the Government of India has fixed 50% of Gross Cropped Area (GCA) as the target for coverage under Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana for the year 2018-2019 and in this backdrop, it is proposed to continue with the implementation of Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) and Coconut Palm Insurance Scheme (CPIS) in all the districts of Tamil Nadu except Chennai during 2018-2019 as per the existing Government of India guidelines and instructions issued thereon. It is also proposed to continue with implementation of Unified Package Insurance Scheme (UPIS) in Cuddalore and Nagapattinam districts on pilot basis during 2018-2019. He has also stated that the Government of Tamil Nadu has allocated a sum of Rs.631.60 Crore (Agriculture: Rs.621.15 Crore and Horticulture: Rs.10.45 Crore) in the Budget Estimate 2018-2019 towards payment of premium subsidy under Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana to be implemented during 2018-2019. Accordingly, the amount allotted in the budget shall be apportioned as detailed below:-

(Unit: Rupees in Lakh)

Sl. No.	Particulars	Agriculture Department	Horticulture Department	Total
1.	State Share of Premium Subsidy	60800.00	1045.00	61845.00
2.	Payments for Professional & Special Services	1314.01	0.00	1314.01
3.	Advertisement & Publicity	0.21	0.00	0.21
4.	Contingencies	0.90	0.00	0.90
	Total	62115.12	1045.00	63160.12

5. The Director of Agriculture among others, has therefore requested the Government -

- (i). to accord administrative approval for implementation of Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana in all the districts of Tamil Nadu except Chennai during 2018-2019 and onwards till further orders is issued by the Government of India in the matter;
- (ii). to authorise the Director of Agriculture and Director of Horticulture and Plantation Crops for implementation of Pilot Unified Package Insurance Scheme (UPIS) during 2018-2019 in Cuddalore and Nagapattinam districts which are prone to frequent risks;
- (iii). to authorise the Director of Agriculture for implementation of Coconut Palm Insurance Scheme (CPIS) during 2018-2019 in all the districts of Tamil Nadu (except Chennai) through Agriculture Insurance Company of India Limited; and

- (iv). financial sanction for Rs.631.60 Crore (Agriculture: Rs.621.15 Crore and Horticulture: Rs.10.45 Crore) towards settlement of State Share of Premium Subsidy, Payments for Professional and Special Services, Advertisement and Contingencies as provided in the Budget Estimate 2018-2019.

6. The Government, after careful examination of the proposal of the Director of Agriculture accord administrative approval for the implementation of Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana at a cost of Rs.631.60 crore (Rupees Six Hundred Thirty One Crore and Sixty Lakh only) (Agriculture Department: Rs.621.15 crore and Horticulture Department: Rs.10.45 crore) towards settlement of State Share of Premium Subsidy, Payments for Professional and Special Services, Advertisement and Contingencies as provided in the Budget Estimate 2018-19, in all the districts of Tamil Nadu except Chennai during 2018-2019 as per the existing Government of India guidelines and instructions issued thereon vide G.O.(Ms).No.220, Agriculture (AP.6) Department, dated 21.07.2016 and G.O.(Ms).No.135, Agriculture (AP.6) Department, dated 24.05.2017.

7. The Government also accord administrative approval for implementation of Pilot Unified Package Insurance Scheme (UPIS) during 2018-2019 in Cuddalore and Nagapattinam districts which are prone to frequent risks and Coconut Palm Insurance Scheme (CPIS) during 2018-2019 in all the districts of Tamil Nadu except Chennai through Agriculture Insurance Company of India Limited.

8. The Director of Agriculture is authorized to draw and disburse the premium subsidy allotted for Directorate of Agriculture in advance to Agriculture Insurance Company of India Limited and to the other approved private insurance companies through Agriculture Insurance Company of India Limited as per the Government of India subsidy pattern in accordance to the claims submitted by the Implementing Agencies.

9. The Director of Horticulture and Plantation Crops is authorized to draw and disburse the premium subsidy allotted for Directorate of Horticulture and Plantation Crops in advance to Agriculture Insurance Company of India Limited and to the other approved private insurance companies through Agriculture Insurance Company of India Limited as per the Government of India subsidy pattern in accordance to the claims submitted by the Implementing Agencies.

10. The Director of Agriculture and the Director of Horticulture and Plantation Crops are authorized to release 50% of the fair estimate of the premium subsidy based on the claims of the approved Implementing Agencies following the Government of India subsidy pattern in the selected cluster at the beginning of crop season and the balance premium claim on the closure of the season based on the claims of the approved Implementing Agencies.

11. The Director of Agriculture and the Director of Horticulture and Plantation Crops are permitted to adopt the premium rates already approved for three years (2016-2017 to 2018-2019).

12. The Director of Agriculture and the Director of Horticulture and Plantation Crops are authorized to settle the pending premium subsidy claims of previous years raised by the Implementing Agencies based on the budget provision of 2018-2019.

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13. The Government, further direct that, as per the decision already taken by the State Government during 2014, the Restructured Weather Based Crop Insurance Scheme (RWBCIS) need not be implemented.

14. The Director of Agriculture and the Director of Horticulture and Plantation Crops are permitted to send proposals for additional allotment as and when required.

15. The Director of Agriculture and the Director of Horticulture and Plantation Crops are directed to take immediate steps to introduce computerization of the process of Crop Insurance for better transparency in the enrolment of farmers for Crop Insurance.

16. The Director of Agriculture and the Director of Horticulture and Plantation Crops are requested to strictly follow the administrative approval and Operational Guidelines of Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana issued by the Government of India while implementing the scheme.

17. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.No.29158/Agri/2018, dated: 15.6.2018.

(By Order of the Governor)

Gagandeep Singh Bedi,
Agricultural Production Commissioner and
Principal Secretary to Government

To

The Director of Agriculture, Chennai – 5.

The Director of Horticulture and Plantation Crops, Chennai – 5.

The Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare, New Delhi-110001.

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