



Abstract

Agriculture Department – Agricultural Engineering – Central Assistance Scheme of Sub Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM) – Financial Sanction for an amount of Rs.1500.00 lakhs for formation of Farm Machinery Banks for Custom Hiring under Sub Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM) during the year 2016-2017 – Orders – Issued.

Agriculture (AE.1) Department

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Read:

- 1 Government Letter No.7187/AE.1/2016-1, Dated: 23.03.2016.
- 2 From the Under Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Co-operation and Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Government of India, New Delhi, Letter No.3-1/2015 - M&T(I&P), Dated:20.05.2016.
- 3 From the Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) Letter No.AM1/1049/2016, dated 06.06.2016.

ORDER:

Sub Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM), a Centrally Sponsored Scheme, is being implemented in the State since 2014-2015 as per the guidelines of Government of India in the sharing pattern of 75:25. The Government of India has modified the sharing pattern from 75:25 into 60:40 from the year 2015-2016.

2. In the Government letter 1st read above, the Annual Action Plan of the Sub Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM) for the year 2016-17 for an amount of Rs.5078.80 lakhs was forwarded to Government of India.

3. The Government of India has sanctioned the Annual Action Plan of Sub Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM) 2016-17 for an amount of Rs.2500.00 lakhs as per the following table:

Sl. No	Component	Total Project approved (Centre and State) (Rs.in Lakhs)	Concurred by IFD (Rs.in Lakhs)	Central share (Rs.in Lakhs)	State share (Rs.in Lakhs)
1	Component No.4 of SMAM guidelines Farm Machinery Banks for Custom Hiring	2500.00	1500.00	900.00	600.00

4. In the letter 2nd read above, the Government of India has approved the component No.4 of Sub Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM) guidelines for the formation of Farm Machinery Banks for Custom Hiring for an amount of Rs.2500.00 Lakhs and sanctioned an amount of Rs.900.00 Lakhs to Tamil Nadu as per the sharing pattern of 60:40 between Centre and State and released an amount of Rs.684.00 Lakhs for General category and Rs.216.00 Lakhs for the special component plan for scheduled caste amounting to a total value of Rs.900.00 Lakhs towards the implementation of Sub Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM) during the year 2016-17 for the Annual Action Plan (AAP). The Government of India has also sanctioned the Annual Action Plan of SMAM 2016-17 for an amount of Rs.1500.00 Lakhs for the component No.4 of Sub Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM) guidelines i.e., Farm Machinery Banks for Custom Hiring.

5. In the letter 3rd read above, the Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) has sent the proposal for the formation of Farm Machinery Banks for Custom Hiring under Sub Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM) during the year 2016-17 as detailed below:-

Establishment of Custom Hiring Centre (Farm Machinery Banks for Custom Hiring)

The main objectives of establishing Custom Hiring Centres are, 1) to provide hiring services for various agricultural machinery / implements applied for different operations, 2) to expand mechanized activities during

cropping seasons in large areas especially in small and marginal holdings, 3) to introduce improved / newly developed agricultural implements and machinery in crop production.

Custom Hiring Centres (CHC) are basically a unit comprising a set of farm machinery, implements and equipment meant for custom hiring for the needy farmers. During the years 2014-15 and 2015-16, the Government orders were issued for the formation of 385 Custom Hiring Centres in 385 blocks in Tamil Nadu by forming Custom Hiring Centres (CHCs) with a project cost of Rs.25.00 Lakhs per CHC. Out of Rs.25.00 Lakhs, an amount of Rs.10.00 Lakhs is Government assistance in the form of 40% subsidy and the remaining amount of Rs.15.00 Lakhs towards 60 % Entrepreneurs / Farmers / Group contribution. Totally so far 212 Custom Hiring Centres were formed under both NADP and SMAM agricultural mechanization programmes. The balance 173 Nos. of Custom Hiring Centres will be formed under National Agricultural Development Programme during 2016-17.

It is now proposed to form 150 Custom Hiring Centres in addition to the already formed Custom Hiring Centres in the needy blocks of Tamil Nadu. Total cost for the establishment of 150 Custom Hiring Centres is Rs.3750.00 Lakhs, out of which the Government contribution is Rs.1500.00 Lakhs (40% Government subsidy assistance) and the balance amount is Rs.2250.00 Lakhs (60%), which is entrepreneurs'/ Farmers / Group contribution.

SI No	Category	No. of Custom Hiring Centres (CHCs)	Unit Cost (Rs.in Lakhs)	Subsidy amount per CHC (Rs.in Lakhs)	Total Project Cost (Rs.in Lakhs)	Total subsidy amount (Rs.in Lakhs)
1	General	114 CHCs	Upto Rs.25.00 Lakhs	10.00	2850.00	1140.00
2	Special component plan for scheduled caste farmers	36 CHCs		10.00	900.00	360.00
Grand Total		150 CHCs		10.00	3750.00	1500.00

The proposed Agricultural machinery and implements Custom Hiring Centres will be run by any one of the following farmers group viz., (1).Farm woman Empowerment group, (2).National Bank for Agricultural Rural Development Farmers club, (3).Progressive farmers group, (4) Self Help Groups of farmers, (5) Entrepreneurs etc. These Custom Hiring Centers will

be supported and monitored by the Agricultural Engineering Department (AED). The list of Agricultural Machinery and Implement required for each block will be based on cropping pattern and availability of existing Agricultural Machinery in the individual blocks.

6. The Government after careful examination, have decided to accept the proposal of the Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) and permit him to implement Sub Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM) as per the approved Annual Action Plan of 2016-17 at a total outlay of Rs.2500.00 lakhs and accord financial sanction for sum of Rs.1500.00 lakhs (Rupees Fifteen Crore only) (Government of India share is Rs.900.00 lakhs and State Share is Rs.600.00 lakhs) (Rs.1140.00 lakhs for General Category farmers and Rs.360.00 lakhs for Scheduled Caste farmers) as first installment towards the formation of Farm Machinery Banks for Custom Hiring under Sub Mission on Agricultural Mechanization during the year 2016-17. The Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) is also permitted to utilize the savings amount if any towards the formation of Custom Hiring Centre additionally.

7. The expenditure sanctioned at para 6 above shall be debited under the following head of accounts as detailed below:

For General Category Farmers – Rs.1140.00 lakhs

"2401-00 - Crop Husbandry - 113. Agricultural Engineering - Schemes in the Twelfth Five Year Plan - VI. Schemes shared between State and Centre. UB - Sub Mission on Agricultural Mechanization - 11 - Subsidies - 01 - Individual based subsidy
(DPC:2401-113-UB-1116)"

For the Special Component Plan for Scheduled caste farmers - Rs.360.00 lakhs

"2401-00 - Crop Husbandry - 789 - Special Component Plan for Scheduled Castes - Schemes in the Twelfth Five Year Plan - VI. Schemes shared between State and Centre. UJ - Sub Mission on Agricultural Mechanization - 11 - Subsidies - 01 - Individual based subsidy
(DPC:2401-789-UJ-1119)"

8. The Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) is authorized to draw and disburse the amount sanctioned in para 6 above.

9. The Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) is authorized to utilize the savings amount if any towards the distribution of any of the Agricultural Machinery mentioned under the Component "Financial

Assistance for procurement of Agricultural Machinery and Equipment" within the respective Head of Accounts.

10. The Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) is directed to send the monthly, quarterly and annual progress reports on the Physical and Financial achievement of the scheme regularly to Government.

11. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.No.36507/Agri/2016, dated 08.07.2016.

(By Order of the Governor)

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Agricultural Production Commissioner
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To

The Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering), Nandanam, Chennai-35.

The Commissioner of Agriculture, Chennai-5.

The Principal Secretary/Commissioner of Horticulture and Plantation Crops, Chennai-5.

The Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Department of Agriculture, Co-operation and Farmers Welfare, New Delhi 110 001.

The Pay and Accounts Officer (South), Chennai-35.

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The Principal Accountant General (E&RSA), Chennai-18.

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