



## ABSTRACT

Agriculture – Permission for utilizing an amount of Rs.13.50 lakh sanctioned by Government of India towards payment of International Seed Testing Association (ISTA) Annual Membership fee, audit fee for on-site assessment and International Seed Testing Association Accredited Laboratory fee for the year 2017 to International Seed Testing Association, Zurich, Switzerland included in the “Sub-Mission on Seeds and Planting Materials” (SMSP) under Centrally Sponsored Scheme of “National Mission on Agricultural Extension and Technology” (NMAET) – Orders – Issued.

## AGRICULTURE (AP2) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms).No.22.

Dated: 06.02.2017.

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Read:

1. G.O.(Ms).No.342, Agriculture (AP2) Department, dated 24.11.2016.
2. From the Director of Seed Certification and Organic Certification Letter No.C2/8246/2016, dated 16.12.2016.

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## ORDER:

In the G.O first read above, the Government accorded permission to Director of Seed Certification and Organic Certification for utilizing an amount of Rs.4.50 lakh sanctioned by Government of India towards payment of International Seed Testing Association (ISTA) Member Laboratory Annual Membership fee for the year 2016 to International Seed Testing Association, Zurich, Switzerland included in the “Sub-Mission on Seeds and Planting Materials” (SMSP) under Centrally Sponsored Scheme of “National Mission on Agricultural Extension and Technology” (NMAET).

2. In his letter second read above, the Director of Seed Certification and Organic Certification has informed that a proposal for Rs.14,70,000/- under centrally sponsored scheme of National Mission on Agricultural Extension and Technology under sub-component Sub-Mission on Seeds and Planting Materials for the year 2016-17 was submitted to Joint Secretary (Seeds), Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Agriculture Co-operation and Farmers Welfare, New Delhi and the Government of India have sanctioned a sum of Rs.13,50,000/- for payment to International Seed Testing Association (ISTA), Zurich towards Annual Membership Fee, Audit Fee for on-site assessment and International Seed Testing Association Accredited Laboratory Fee for the year 2017. This payment is for the International Seed Testing Association Accredited Seed Testing Laboratory located at the Directorate at Coimbatore. In continuation of the above, an amount of Rs.13,50,000/- has been credited into the National Mission on Agricultural Extension and Technology scheme account of the Director of Seed Certification and Organic Certification, Coimbatore through Electronic Clearing System on 1.11.2016. He has, therefore, requested that necessary Government order may be issued for utilizing the amount of Rs.13,50,000/- towards the payment of “Annual Membership Fee, Audit Fee

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for on-site assessment and International Seed Testing Association Accredited Laboratory Fee for the year 2017” to International Seed Testing Association, Zurich, Switzerland. He has also stated that the payment shall be effected at the prevailing Indian currency rate in Swiss Francs on the date of payment.

3. The Government, after careful examination, accord permission to Director of Seed Certification and Organic Certification for utilizing an amount of Rs.13.50 lakh (Rupees Thirteen Lakh and Fifty Thousand only) sanctioned by Government of India towards payment of International Seed Testing Association (ISTA) Annual Membership fee, audit fee for on-site assessment and International Seed Testing Association Accredited Laboratory fee for the year 2017 to International Seed Testing Association, Zurich, Switzerland included in the “Sub-Mission on Seeds and Planting Materials” (SMSP) under Centrally Sponsored Scheme of “National Mission on Agricultural Extension and Technology” (NMAET).

4. The Director of Seed Certification and Organic Certification is directed to follow the guidelines of “Sub-Mission on Seeds and Planting Materials” (SMSP) under “National Mission on Agricultural Extension and Technology” (NMAET) issued by the Government of India while implementing this programme.

5. The Director of Seed Certification and Organic Certification is directed to ensure that the financial assistance released will be utilized only for the purpose it has been released and no amount shall be diverted for other purpose.

6. The Director of Seed Certification and Organic Certification is directed to furnish the Utilization Certificate on form GFR 19-A for the released amount within twelve months from the date of issue of sanction by Government of India with the certificate that the amount of financial assistance has been utilized for the purpose it has been sanctioned to Government and Government of India without fail.

7. The Director of Seed Certification and Organic Certification should ensure that payment of Membership fee for the year 2017 should be made in favour of International Seed Testing Association (ISTA).

8. The Director of Seed Certification and Organic Certification has to refund the balance amount, if any, after actual payment including bank charges made for the purpose in favour of Pay and Accounts Officer (Secretariat), Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Department of Agriculture, Co-operation and Farmers Welfare under intimation to Government.

9. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.No.535/Agri/2017, dated 30.01.2017.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

GAGANDEEP SINGH BEDI,  
AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION COMMISSIONER AND  
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To  
The Director of Seed Certification & Organic Certification, Coimbatore-13.  
The Principal Accountant General (G&SSA/E&RSA /C&RA /A&E/AAD), Chennai-18.

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The Resident Audit Officer, O/o. Principal Accountant General (Social Sector Audit),  
Chennai-9.

**Copy to:-**

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

The Private Secretary to Agricultural Production Commissioner and Principal  
Secretary to Government, Agriculture Department, Chennai-9.

The Finance (Agri) Department, Chennai-9.

The Planning, Development and Special Initiatives Department, Chennai-9.

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**SECTION OFFICER**

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