

#### ABSTRACT

Agriculture – Implementation of Soil Health Card Scheme under National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA) during 2016-17- Sanctioned – Orders – Issued.

## Agriculture (AP4) Department திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு 2047, புரட்டாசி 3

G.O.(Ms) No. 274

Dated: 19.09.2016.

Read:

- 1. G.O.(Ms)No.158, Agriculture (AP4 )Department., Dated 29.07.2015.
- 2. G.O.(Ms)No.286, Agriculture (AP4)Department., Dated 21.12.2015.
- 3. From the Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare, New Delhi, Letter No.16-28/2015, Fert Use (i),(ii),(iii), Dated 16.03.2016.
- 4. From the Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare, Letter No. 14-1/2015, Fert use, Dated .04.2016.
- 5. From the Commissioner of Agriculture, Letter No.GOI 1/135852 / 2014, Dated 10.05.2016 and 01.06.2016.

### ORDER:

In the Government order first read above, orders were issued for the further continuance of the scheme of Soil Testing Laboratories, Mobile Soil Testing Laboratories and Central Control Laboratory, Kudumianmalai for the period from 01.04.2015 to 31.03.2016, subject to meet the expenditure within the Budget Provision.

2. In the Government order second read above, orders were issued for sanction of Rs.482.930 lakh (Government of India Share) which includes Rs.131.910 lakh released at the fag end of 2014-15 and Rs.351.020 lakh released during 2015 -2016. for the implementation of the programme of distribution of Soil

Health Card starting from the year 2015-16 under National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture for the total cultivated area of 51.00 lakh hectares in Tamil Nadu (a total of 81.18 lakh farm holdings) in a phased manner following the norms prescribed by Government of India under Mission Soil Health Card. (The matching State Share will be met from the funds sanctioned in the Government Order first read above)

3. In the letters third read above, Government of India have released 2<sup>nd</sup> installment amount of Rs.118.50 lakh with revised outlay of Rs.1086.90 lakh for implementation of Soil Health Card Scheme under National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture during 2015-16 with revised funding pattern of 60:40 as detailed below:-

Rs. in lakhs

Total allocation	Revised GOI share 60%	Funds already released	Fund approved for release	Fund released now		
				General	ST	SC
1086.90	652.14	351.01	118.50	90.06	18.96	9.48

- 4. In the letter fourth read above, Government of India have revalidated the funds of Rs.118.50 lakhs released during 2015-16 for utilizing during to 2016-2017 for the implementation of Soil Health Card Scheme under National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture.
- 5. In the letter fifth read above, the Commissioner of Agriculture has informed that an amount of Rs.118.50 lakhs has been additionally sanctioned for implementing the scheme during 2015-16. As the scheme implementation has been completed for 2015-16, the allocation of Rs.118.50 lakhs may be adjusted for the proposed allocation during 2016-17 (second year) and the scheme of Mission Soil Health Card will be completed during 2016-17 and requested permission to utilize Rs.118.50 lakhs for the implementation of Soil Health Cards scheme under National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture during 2016-17 (second year) and orders for treating the above allocation as part of the financial allocation proposed for 2016-17 (second year) as Government of India share.
- 6. The Government after careful examination accept the proposal of the Commissioner of Agriculture and accord sanction for a sum of Rs.118.50 lakhs (Rupees One Crore Eighteen Lakhs and Fifty Thousand only) (Government of India Share) for the implementation of the Soil Health Card Scheme under National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture during 2016-17 (Second year). The matching State Share shall be met from the funds sanctioned for the continuance of Soil Testing Laboratory / Mobile Soil Testing Laboratory.
- 7. The expenditure sanctioned in para 6 above shall be debited to the following Head of account.

"2401-00-Crop Husbandry-108 Commercial crops – Schemes in the Twelfth Five Year Plan – III Centrally Sponsored – TL – National Mission on Sustainable Agriculture growth".

(Rs.in lakh)

O2-Wages (DPC 2401-00-108-TL-0208)	50.00	
05 - Office Expenses - 02 Other Contingencies (DPC 2401-00-108-TL-0520)	48.50	
45 Petroleum, Oil and Lubricant (DPC 2401-00-108-TL-4508)	20.00	
Total	118.50	

- 8. Necessary additional funds of Rs.118.50 lakh will be provided in Revised Estimates / Final Modified Appropriation 2016-17, under the relevant head of account. However this expenditure shall be brought to the notice of the Legislature by way of Specific Inclusion in Supplementary Estimate 2016-2017. Pending provision of such funds, the Director of Agriculture is authorized to draw and disburse the amount sanctioned in para 6 above. The Director of Agriculture is also requested to include this expenditure while sending the proposal for Revised Estimates / Final Modified Appropriation 2016-2017 and also to send necessary explanatory notes for including the above expenditure in the Supplementary Estimates 2016-2017 to Government in Finance (Agriculture/BG-1) Department at the appropriate time without fail.
- 9. The Director of Agriculture is requested to strictly follow the norms prescribed by Government of India under Mission Soil Health Card.
- 10. The Director of Agriculture is requested to submit the physical and financial progress report and the utilization certificate regularly to the Government of India and Government of Tamil Nadu respectively.
- 11. This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department vide its U.O.No.50225/Agri/2016, Dated 19.9.2016 and ASL No.857 (Eight Hundred and Fifty Seven)

# (BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

GAGANDEEP SINGH BEDI AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION COMMISSIONER AND SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Director of Agriculture, Chennai-5.

The Pay and Accounts Officer (East), Chennai-8.

The Accountant General, Chennai-18.

The Accountant General, Chennai-18. (By Name)

The Treasury Officers, concerned.

The Finance (Agriculture) BG-I/II, (BG.M) Department, Chennai-9.

The Principal Accountant General (G&SSA), Chennai-18.

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

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

## Copy to

The Secretary -III to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Chennai-9.

The Chief Minister Office, Chennai-9.

The Special Personal Assistant to Minister for Finance and Personnel & Administrative Reforms, Chennai-9.

The Special Personal Assistant to Minister for Agriculture, Chennai-9.

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

The Agriculture (OP3) Department, Chennai-9.

The Agriculture (AA1) Department, Chennai-9.

The Data Entry Operator, Agriculture Department, Chennai-9.

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