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ABSTRACT

Agriculture and Farmers Welfare – Implementation of Tamil Nadu Mission on Sustainable Green cover in Farm Lands (TNMSGCF) under Sub Mission on Agro forestry (SMAF) component of National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA) – Financial sanction for an amount of Rs.547.50 lakh from the State Fund for settlement of dues to the Forest Department for the year 2021-22–Sanction Accorded – Orders – Issued.

AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (AP5) DEPARTMENT

G.O. (Ms) No.284

Dated: 25.11.2022.

திருவள்ளுவர்ஆண்டு, 2053, சுபகிருது, கார்த்திகை 09-ஆம் நாள். Read:

- 1. Letter from Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, New Delhi, File No.1-8/2020-NRM-SMAF (FTS-84828), dated 11.03.2021.
- 2. The Assistant commissioner (SMAF), Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare, New Delhi, Letter No.1-8/2020-NRM-SMAF (NRM Division), dated 17.03.2021.
- 3. G.O. (Ms) No.154 Agriculture and Farmers welfare (AP5) Department, dated 25.10.2021.
- 4. From the Director of Agriculture Letter No.RFS1/05902/2021, dated 26.08.2022

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ORDER:

In the letter second read above, the Government of India have approved the Annual Action Plan (AAP) under Sub Mission on Agro forestry (SMAF) component of National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA) for raising 73 lakh tree saplings during 2020-21 for an outlay of Rs.1113.98 lakh [Central Rs.668.388 lakh + State share Rs.445.592 lakh] and in the letter 1st read above, the Government of India have released Rs.334.19 lakh alone instead of Rs.668.388 lakh.

2. In the G.O. third read above, the Government issued orders according administrative sanction for raising 73 lakh tree saplings at Rs.1113.98 lakh [Central Rs.668.388 lakh + State share Rs.445.592 lakh] and financial sanction of Rs.593.48 lakh [Central share (60%) Rs.334.19 lakh + State share (40%) Rs.222.79 lakh + Additional state share Rs.36.5 lakh] as first instalment for first year activities sanctioned during the year 2021-22. The balance fund of Rs.334.20 lakh has not been released by Government of India.

- 3. In the letter fourth read above, the Director of Agriculture has stated that the Government of India have informed that the SMAF scheme is discontinued from the year 2022-23 and the fund to settle all the liabilities of all the States has been requested from the RKVY funds and once the fund allocation is received from the RKVY division only the fund/liability can be released to the States.
- 4. Further, the Director of Agriculture has stated that in anticipation of entire release from Government of India, 73 lakh tree saplings have been raised through Forest Department. In the absence of second instalment release from Government of India, there is a committed liability of Rs.547.50 lakh to Forest Department. Hence, he has requested that the 2nd instalment fund of Rs.593.50 lakh pending for the year 2021-22 [(Central share (60%) Rs.334.20 lakh + State share (40%) Rs.222.80 lakh + Additional state share Rs.36.50 lakh) (Scheme Fund Rs.547.50 lakh + Admin fund and Capacity building fund of Rs.46 Lakh)] may be sanctioned from the State fund under Tamil Nadu Mission on Sustainable Green cover in Farm Lands Sub Mission on Agro forestry (SMAF) National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture during the year 2022-23.
- 5. The Government after careful examination of the proposal of the Director of Agriculture, hereby accord financial sanction of Rs.5,47,50,000/- [Rupees five crore forty seven lakh and fifty thousand only] from the State Fund [excluding Admin fund and Capacity building fund of Rs.46 Lakh] for settlement of balance due to the Forest Department for implementation of TNMSGCF under SMAF component of National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture.
- 6. The expenditure sanctioned in para 5 above shall be debited to the following head of account :-

2401-00 Crop Husbandry – 104 Agricultural Farms – State's Expenditure – AK State Agricultural Development Scheme – 311 Subsidies – 01 Individual Based Subsidy.

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7. Necessary additional funds of Rs.1,89,35,000/- will be provided in Revised Estimate / Final Modified Appropriation 2022-2023. Pending provision of such funds, the Director of Agriculture is authorized to draw and disburse the amount sanctioned in para 5 above. However, this expenditure shall be brought to the notice of the Legislative Assembly by Specific Inclusion in the Supplementary Estimate 2022-2023. The Director of Agriculture is directed to include this expenditure while sending the Budget proposal for Revised Estimate / Final Modified Appropriation 2022-2023 and also to send necessary draft explanatory notes for including the above expenditure in the Supplementary Estimates 2022-2023 to Government in Finance (Agri.&F.W./ BG-I) Department at the appropriate time without fail.

8. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.No.50040/2022, dated 23.11.2022 and ASL No.1865 [One thousand eight hundred and sixty five][IFHRMS ASL No. 2022111865].

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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