



Agriculture - Horticulture - "Ockhi" Cyclone in Kanniyakumari District
- Announcement made by Hon'ble Chief Minister - Sanction of
Rs.356.22 lakhs - Orders - Issued.

Agriculture (H1) Department

G.O.(Ms) No. 316

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Read:

1. Hon'ble Chief Minister Press Release No.201, dated 11.12.2017.
2. From the Commissioner of Horticulture and Plantation Crops (FAC), Chennai-5 Letter No.Trg/019135/2017, dated 11.12.2017.

ORDER:

The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu in the Press Release dated 11.12.2017 has announced "Special Livelihood Package Relief measures" to the affected farmers of Horticultural Crops in Kanniyakumari district due to Cyclonic Storm "Ockhi" and the gist of announcement is as follows:

"ஓகி" புயலினால் கன்னியாகுமரி மாவட்டத்தில் முதற்கட்ட ஆய்வின்படி 3,623 ஹெக்டேர் பரப்பிற்கும் அதிகமாக தோட்டக்கலைப் பயிர்கள் சேதமடைந்துள்ளன. இதில் வாழை சுமார் 1,900 ஹெக்டேர் பரப்பிலும், ரப்பர் மரங்கள் சுமார் 1,400 ஹெக்டேர் பரப்பிலும் சேதமடைந்துள்ளன. வாழைப் பயிருக்கு சேத மதிப்பீடு 33 சதவீதத்திற்கு அதிகமாக இருந்தால் இடுபொருள் மானியமாக ஹெக்டேருக்கு மாநில பேரிடர் நிவாரண நிதியிலிருந்து தற்போது 13,500/- ரூபாய் வழங்கப்படுகிறது. பாதிக்கப்பட்ட வாழை விவசாயிகள் மீண்டும் வாழை சாகுபடியினை மேற்கொள்ளும் பொருட்டு, மேற்கண்ட பேரிடர் நிவாரண நிதியுடன், சாதாரண முறையில் சாகுபடி செய்வதற்கு, ரூ.35,000/-மும், திக வளர்ப்பு மூலம் சாகுபடி செய்வதற்கு ஹெக்டேருக்கு ரூ.50,000/-மும் 40% மானியமாக வழங்கப்படும். இதில் முதலாண்டு சாதாரண சாகுபடிக்கு ரூ.39,750/-ம் திக வளர்ப்பு சாகுபடிக்கு ரூ.51,000/-மும், ஆக மொத்தம் "ஓகி" புயலால் பாதிக்கப்பட்ட வாழை விவசாயிகளுக்கு, ஹெக்டேருக்கு ரூ.48,500/- முதல் ரூ.63,500/- வரை வழங்கப்படும்.

இதே போன்று, 33 சதவீதத்திற்கும் மேல் பாதிக்கப்பட்ட இரப்பர் மரங்களுக்கு, ஹெக்டேர் ஒன்றுக்கு ரூ.18,000/- வீதம், மாநில பேரிடர் மேலாண்மை நிதியிலிருந்து இடுபொருள் மானியமாகவும், இரப்பர் மறுசாகுபடிக்கென, சிறப்பு வாழ்வாதார தொகுப்பு உதவித் திட்டமாக, மீண்டும் இரப்பர் மரங்கள் நடவு செய்து ஊடுபயிராக வாழை அல்லது அன்னாசி சாகுபடி செய்வதற்கு, ஹெக்டேருக்கு ஆகும் முழுச்செலவான ரூ.50,000/-த்தையும், தமிழ்நாடு அரசு மானியமாக வழங்கும். இத்துடன், இரப்பர் மரத்தோட்டங்களில், புதிய தேனீ வளர்ப்புத் திட்டத்தை செயல்படுத்த, ஒரு ஹெக்டேர் பரப்புக்கு ஆகும் செலவான ரூ.32,000/- மதிப்பிலான 20 தேனீப் பெட்டிகளுடன் கூடிய தேனீக் குடும்பங்கள் வழங்கப்படும். ஆக மொத்தம், புயலால் பாதிக்கப்பட்ட இரப்பர் மர விவசாயிகளுக்கு ஹெக்டேர் ஒன்றுக்கு ரூ.1 இலட்சம் நிதியுதவி வழங்கப்படும்.

மேலும், முக்கிய பணப்பயிரான கிராம்பு, 43 ஹெக்டேர் பரப்பில் பாதிப்படைந்துள்ளது. இவ்விவசாயிகளுக்கு மாநில பேரிடர் நிவாரண நிதியிலிருந்து ஹெக்டேருக்கு ரூ.18,000/-மும், புதிதாக கிராம்பு நடவு செய்ய உதவிடும் வகையில், கூடுதலாக ஹெக்டேருக்கு 10,000/- ரூபாயும் சேர்த்து மொத்தம் ரூ.28,000/- வழங்கப்படும்.”

2) Based on the above announcement, the Commissioner of Horticulture & Plantation Crops (FAC) has sent proposal to Government as detailed below:-

- i. The Cyclone "Ockhi" hit Tamil Nadu on 30.11.2017 and has caused damages to horticultural crops in an area of about 3,623 Hectares which covers Banana of about 1926.03 Hectares; Rubber in 1408 Hectares; Clove in an area of 42.2 Hectares and other Crops such as, Tapioca, Pepper, Jack Fruit, and Citron etc.
- ii. **Banana** is cultivated in an area of about 6,382 Hectares in Kanniyakumari District, of which 1926.03 Hectares (as per preliminary survey) has been damaged more than 33% due to cyclone. As per the Hon'ble Chief Minister's Announcement, the assistance proposed under State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) and MIDH - National Horticulture Mission (NHM) is as follows:-

Sl. No.	Scheme	Assistance proposed per Hectare Rs.	Affected Area in Hectares (Approx)	Total Amount (Rs. in Lakh)
I	SDRF	13,500/-	1926.03	260.02
II	MIDH National Horticulture Mission (40% Subsidy)			
(a)	Re-cultivation of Banana (sucker) (For	26,250/-		505.58

(b)	State Fund (Balance 50%)	25,000/-		352.00
III	Pollination support through Bee Keeping (40% Subsidy) 20 sets of Honey Bee Hives and colonies per hectare.			
(a)	MIDH National Horticulture Mission	32,000/-		450.56
	Total	1,00,000/-		1408.00

- iv. **Clove** is cultivated in an area of 750 Hectares in Kanniyakumari District, of which 42.2 Hectares has been affected due to 'Ockhi' Cyclone. As per the Hon'ble Chief Minister's Announcement the relief assistance extended under State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) and State Fund to encourage farmers to go for fresh cultivation are proposed as follows:-

Sl. No.	Scheme	Assistance proposed per Hectare Rs.	Affected Area in Hectares	Total Amount (Rs. in Lakh)
I	SDRF	18,000	42.2	7.60
II	Additional State Fund for Re-cultivation	10,000		4.22
	Total	28,000		11.82

- 3) The total relief assistance for the above three crops sought during 2017-18 for fresh cultivation from different schemes is as follows:-

S. No.	Crop	Assistance proposed for 2017-18 (Rs. in Lakh)				Total (Rs. in Lakh)
		SDRF	NHM	RAD (NMSA)	State Fund	
1	Banana	260.02	505.58	-	-	765.60
2.	Rubber	253.44	450.56	352.00	352.00	1408.00

	1 st year) (2017-18)			
(b)	Re-cultivation of Banana (sucker) (For 2 nd year) (2018-19)	8,750/-		168.53
	Total			934.13

If the affected farmers prefer to go for Tissue Culture Banana, 40% subsidy assistance of Rs.50,000/- @ Rs.37,500/- for the first year and Rs.12,500/- for the second year will be provided in addition to SDRF Fund.

- iii. **Rubber** is cultivated in Kanniyakumari District in an area of 27,407 Hectares, of which an extent of 1408 Hectares has been affected due to the above cyclone. As per the Hon'ble Chief Minister's Announcement the assistance extended under State Disaster Response Fund / (SDRF), National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA) – Rainfed Area Development (RAD) and MIDH National Horticulture Mission (NHM) are proposed as follows:-

Sl. No.	Scheme	Assistance proposed per Hectare Rs.	Affected Area in Hectares	Total Amount (Rs. in Lakh)
I	SDRF	18,000/-	1408	253.44
II	Re-cultivation of Rubber Tree Saplings with Inter-cropping with Banana and Pineapple under 100% assistance.			
(a)	National Mission on Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA) – Rainfed Area Development (RAD) Horticulture based Farming System (50% Subsidy).	25,000/-		352.00

(vi) Under MIDH National Horticulture Mission (NHM) and RAD under National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA), the Commissioner of Horticulture and Plantation Crops (FAC) may be permitted to draw and disburse the amount to the affected farmers as back ended subsidy.

5) Therefore the Commissioner of Horticulture and Plantation Crops (FAC) has requested to sanction a sum of Rs.356.22 Lakh as additional assistance at the rate of Rs.25,000/- per Hectare for Rubber and Rs.10,000/- per Hectare for Clove from State Fund under new Head of Account.

6) The Government after careful examination accept the proposal of Commissioner of Horticulture and Plantation Crops (FAC) and accord sanction for a sum of Rs.356.22 lakhs (Rupees Three crore Fifty Six lakh and twenty two thousand only) as additional assistance at the rate of Rs.25,000/-per Hectare for Rubber and Rs.10,000/- per Hectare for Clove to the affected farmers due to "Ockhi" Cyclone from State Fund as temporary advance under Article 99 of TNFC Volume I.

7). The amount sanctioned in para 6 above shall be debited to the following New Head of Account:-

2401.00 Crop Husbandry - 119 Horticulture and Vegetable Crops - State expenditure LH Relief assistance to the "Ockhi" cyclone affected farmer - 09 Grants in Aid 03 Grants for Specific Scheme

(DPC 2401 00 119 LH 0934)

8) The expenditure sanctioned in para 6 above constitute an item of "New Service". The approval of the Legislature will be obtained in due course. Pending approval of the Legislature, the expenditure may be initially met by drawal of an advance from the Contingency Fund. The Commissioner of Horticulture and Plantation Crops is directed to calculate the actual amount required for the period upto next supplementary estimates and apply for sanction of the same as advance from the Contingency Fund to Finance (BG.I) Department directly in Form-A, appended to the Tamil Nadu Contingency Fund Rules - 1963 along with a copy of this order. Orders for sanction of advance from the Contingency Fund will be issued from Finance (BG.I) Department. He has also requested to send necessary explanatory notes for inclusion of the above expenditure in the Supplementary Estimate 2017-18 to Finance (BG.I / Agri) Department at an appropriate time without fail.

9) The Commissioner of Horticulture & Plantation Crops is the Estimating Reconciling and Controlling authorized to the above new sub head account. The PAO / TO'S are requested to open the above new sub head of account in their accounts.

3.	Clove	7.60	-	-	4.22	11.82
	Total	521.06	956.14	352.00	356.22	2185.42

4) For implementation of the above package, the Commissioner of Horticulture and Plantation Crops (FAC) has requested to accord sanction as detailed below:-

- (i) For disbursement of input subsidy for crops with more than 33% crop loss for Banana, Rubber and Clove enumerated so far under SDRF, the Principal Secretary/ Commissioner of Revenue Administration may be permitted to sanction a sum of Rs.521.06 Lakh.
- (ii) In addition, the Commissioner of Horticulture and Plantation Crops (FAC) will send separate proposal seeking additional funds under SDRF after the completion of enumeration as per norms.
- (iii) Since most of the cultivation of banana and other crops is carried out under 'Oral Lease' basis without any document, special permission may also be accorded to provide assistance to Lessee cultivators by due enquiry along with the revenue authorities obtaining documentary evidence if required without insisting the lease documents.
- (iv) Under MIDH - National Horticulture Mission (NHM) and RAD under National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA), the Commissioner of Horticulture and Plantation Crops (FAC) will send necessary proposal to Government of India for inter-component diversion without exceeding the total outlay provided in AAP under the respective Government of India schemes.
- (v) A sum of Rs.356.22 Lakh may be sanctioned as additional assistance at the rate of Rs.25,000/- per Hectare for Rubber and Rs.10,000/- per Hectare for Clove from State Fund under new Head of Account. The above State Fund of Rs. 356.22 Lakh may be drawn by Commissioner of Horticulture and Plantation Crops (FAC) from the new head of account in advance and disburse to the Deputy Director of Horticulture, Kanniyakumari for timely disbursement of assistance to the affected farmer's account based on the enumeration finalized and approved by the District Collector for preparatory cultivation activities for taking up fresh planting of rubber and clove.

10) The Commissioner of Horticulture and Plantation Crops (FAC) is permitted to draw the above amount from the new head of account in advance and disburse to the Deputy Director of Horticulture, Kanniyakumari for timely disbursement of assistance to the affected farmer's account based on the enumeration finalized and approved by the District Collector for preparatory cultivation activities for taking up fresh planting of Rubber and Clove. The Commissioner of Horticulture and Plantation Crops (FAC) is also permitted to dovetail and utilize the required amount of Rs.956.14 lakh under MIDH National Horticulture Mission and Rs.352 Lakh under RAD (NMSA) Fund. The orders in respect of release of SDRF Fund for Rs.521.06 lakhs will be issued separately by Revenue Department.

11) This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O. No.67280/Finance (Agri.)/2017, dated 29.12.2017 and ASL No. 2372 (Two thousand three hundred and seventy two).

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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The Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Horticulture Development, Agency, Chennai-5.

The Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Department of Agriculture, Co-operation & Farmers Welfare (Horticulture Division), New Delhi -110 011.

The Principal Secretary / Commissioner of Revenue Administration, Chepauk, Chennai 5

The Secretary to Government,

Revenue and Disaster Management Department, Chennai 9.

The District Collector, Kanniyakumari District.

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

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

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