

ABSTRACT

Agriculture – Agricultural Engineering – Central Assistance under Sub Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM) – Financial sanction for an amount of Rs.9.191 lakhs to distribute Tractors and Brush cutter to the individual farmers under the scheme of Sub Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM) during the year 2016-17 – Orders – Issued.

Agriculture (AE.I) Department

G.O.(Ms).No. 333

Dated: 18.11.2016 திருவள்ளுவராண்டு 2047 கார்த்திகை திங்கள் 3 –ஆம் நாள் Read:

- 1. G.O.(Ms).No.250, Agriculture (AE.1) Department, dated 17.12.2013.
- 2. Letter (Ms).No.65, Agriculture (AE1) Department, dated 04.06.2014.
- 3. G.O.(Ms).No.35, Agriculture (AE1) Department, dated 18.02.2015.
- 4. Letter (Ms).No.126, Agriculture (AE1) Department, dated 10.06.2015.
- 5. Letter (Ms) No.144, Agriculture (AE1) Department, Dated 10.07.2015.
- 6. Government letter No.15498/AE1/ 2016-2, dated 19.07.2016.
- 7. From the Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) letter No.AM1/26111/ 2016-1, dated 29.07.2016.

In the G.O. 1st read above, the Government have accorded sanction for a sum of Rs.1,77,95,000/- towards purchase of machineries and conducting demonstrations for General Category and also accorded sanction for a sum of Rs.8,05,000/- towards the purchase of machinery and conducting demonstrations for Special Component for Scheduled Caste under Central Sector Scheme on Post Harvest Technology and Management during the year 2013-14. The amount sanctioned was not utilized by Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering). Hence in the Government Letter 2nd read above, Government have authorized the Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) to incur an amount of Rs.186.00 Lakhs for the year 2014-2015 to complete the programme for implementation of the Central Sector Scheme of Post Harvest Technology and Management sanctioned in the Government order first read above. Actual purchase amount through tender towards the purchase of machinery is Rs.134.39 Lakhs. The tender savings amount available during the year 2014-2015 is Rs.41.81 Lakhs which was surrendered to Government during 2014-2015.

2. In pursuance of above, in the letter 5th read above, the Government have given authorization to incur the amount of Rs.83.62 lakhs (State share – Rs.41.81 lakhs + Central Share – Rs.41.81 lakhs) for the implementation of Sub Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM) during 2015-16 from the unspent amount already sanctioned

for the central sector scheme of Post Harvest Technology and Management (PHTM) tender saving amount.

- 3. In the letter 7th read above, the Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) has stated that out of the above amount, an amount of Rs.67.05 lakhs was utilized for the implementation of Sub Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM) during 2015-16 from the unspent amount already sanctioned for the Central Sector Scheme of Post Harvest Technology and Management (PHTM) tender saving amount and unspent amount is Rs.16.57 lakhs.
- 4. In the Government order 3rd read above, the Government have sanctioned and released an amount of Rs.1080.00 Lakhs towards the implementation of the scheme of Sub Mission on Agricultural Mechanization" during the year 2014-15 for the components namely 1) Establishment of Farm Machinery Testing Centre at Agricultural Engineering College and Research Institute, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Kumulur, Trichy District, 2) Financial assistance for procurement of agricultural machinery and equipments (Tractors) and 3) Establishment of farm Machinery Banks for Custom Hiring (Upto Rs.25.00 Lakhs). In the letter 7th read above, the Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering), has stated that out of Rs.476.642 lakhs, which was revalidated vide Letter 4th read above, an amount of Rs.474.83 lakhs is utilized for the implementation of the Sub Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM) for the year 2015-16 and the unspent amount is Rs.1.812 lakhs.
- 5. The Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) has also stated that the total unspent amount of Rs.18.382 Lakhs as detailed in the paras proceeding above to the tune of Rs.18.382 lakhs (Rs.1.812 Lakhs + Rs.16.57 Lakhs) was surrendered to Government under the respective Head of Accounts during the year 2015-16 due to non-payment of contribution amount and delay in getting the bank loan towards the payment of contribution by the farmers.
- 6. The Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) has now stated that it is proposed to distribute Tractors and Brush cutters to the individual farmers for an amount of Rs.18.382 Lakhs. Accordingly, the Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) has furnished the annual action plan for the amount of Rs.18.382 Lakhs is as follows;

SI No	Component	Target for 2016-17	
		Physical (in Nos.)	Financial (Rs.in Lakhs)
1	Distribution of Tractors (Above 8 to 15 PTO HP and 15 to 20 PTO HP) for general category farmers	11	11.000
2	Distribution of Brush cutter for general category farmers	2	0.590
3	Distribution of Tractors (Above 8 to 15 PTO HP and 15 to 20 PTO HP) for SC category farmers	6	6.000
4	Distribution of Brush cutter for SC category farmers	2	0.562
5	Distribution of Brush cutter for ST category farmers	1	0.230
	Total		18.382

- 7. The Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) has therefore, requested to sanction an amount of Rs.18.382 lakhs (Rs.11.59 lakhs for General category, Rs.6.562 lakhs for special component plan for Scheduled Caste farmers and Rs.0.23 lakhs for Tribal sub plan farmers) with the budget provision in the respective head of account to distribute the Tractors and Brush cutter to the individual farmers under the scheme of Sub Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM) and also to permit to utilize the saving amount if any, towards the distribution of any of this machinery namely Tractors (Above 8 to 15 PTO HP and 15 to 20 PTO HP) and Brush cutter.
- 8. The Government, after careful examination have decided to accept the proposal of the Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) and hereby authorize the Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) to incur the amount of Rs.9.191 lakhs (Rupees Nine Lakhs Nineteen Thousand One Hundred only) (Rs.5.795 lakhs for General category, Rs.3.281 lakhs for special component plan for Scheduled Caste farmers and Rs.0.115 lakhs for Tribal sub plan farmers) to distribute Tractors and Brush cutter to the individual farmers as detailed at para 6 above under the scheme of Sub Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM) during the year 2016-17 as per the Sub Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM) guidelines issued by Government of India.
- 9. The expenditure sanctioned at para 8 above shall be debited under the head of accounts as detailed below:-

For General Category Farms – Rs.5.795 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-11-16)"

Special component plan for scheduled caste farmers Rs.3.281 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-11-19)"

For Tribal Sub Plan farmers – Rs.0.115 lakhs

"2401-00-Crop Husbandry- 796- Tribal Area Sub Plan -Schemes in the Twelfth Five Year Plan-VI. Schemes shared between State and Centre. UG-Sub Mission on Agricultural Mechanization-11-Subsidies- 01- Individual based subsidy (DPC:2401-00-796-UG-11-10)"

10. The Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) is also permitted to utilise the savings amount if any, out of the amount sanctioned in para 8 above towards the distribution of any of the machinery namely Tractors (Above 8 to 15 PTO HP and 15 to

20 PTO HP) and Brush cutter. The Government direct that the above amount should be spent before 31.03.2017 and no further backlog funds will be released.

- 11. 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.
- 12. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.No. 55371/Finance (Agriculture)/2016, dated 16.11.2016.

//By Order of the Governor//

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To

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

The Director of Agriculture, Chennai-5.

The Director 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 Deputy Accountant General/ES-1,

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The Commissioner of Treasury and Accounts, Chennai-15.

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