

ABSTRACT

Agriculture Department – Tamil Nadu Agricultural University – Establishment of six Centres of Excellence by Tamil Nadu Agricultural University – Administrative approval and sanction of Rs.3.00 crore – Orders – Issued.

Agricultural (AU) Department

G.O.(Ms) No.92

Dated:07.04.2015

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Read:

- From the Registrar, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University letter No.TNAU/DPM/ F216/1/FPBG/21175 / Announcement – CEMB/2014 dated 24.10.2014 and 04.12.2014
- 2. From the Registrar, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University letter No. TNAU/DPM/F216/5/CHETTINAD/ 21175/ Announcement Centre of Excellence in Dry Farming/2014 dated 24.10.2014 and 04.12.2014
- 3. From the Registrar, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University letter No. TNAU/DPM/F216/4/AC&RI-MDU / 21175 / Announcement Centre of Innovation for Post Doctoral Research /2014 dated 24.10.2014 and 04.12.2014
- From the Registrar, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University letter No. TNAU/DPM/ F216/2/ ADACRI/21175/ Announcement – CE in Soil Health Trichy /2014 dated 24.10.2014 and 04.12.2014
- From the Registrar, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University letter No. TNAU/DPM/ F216/6/FARM WOMEN/ 21175/ Announcement – Farm Women Knowledge Centre at Tiruchirappalli/2014 dated 24.10.2014 and 04.12.2014
- 6. From the Registrar, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University letter No. TNAU/DPM/ F216/ 3/PKT/21175/ Announcement CE in Oil Palm Pattukottai/2014 dated 24.10.2014 and 04.12.2014.

ORDER:

The Hon'ble Chief Minister has made an announcement on 07.08.2014 under Rule 110 of Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly that to bring in sustainability and resilience in Agricultural Production through Agricultural Research, 6 Centres of Excellence at a cost of Rs.28 crore will be established i.e Molecular Breeding Centre at Coimbatore; Dry Farming Centre at Chettinad; Soil Health Centre at Tiruchirapalli; Centre of Innovation at Madurai; Farm Women Knowledge Centre at Tiruchirapalli and Centre of Excellence in Oil Palm at Pattukkottai.

2. The Registrar, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University has sent proposal for establishment of six Centres of Excellence at a total cost of Rs.28 crore. Further, he has stated that the Centres will be established in the existing college campuses and

Research Stations of Tamil Nadu Agricultural University as indicated below:-

- Molecular Breeding Centre at Agricultural College and Research Institute, Coimbatore
- II. Soil Health Centre at Agricultural College and Research Institute, Tiruchirapalli.
- III. Farm Women Knowledge Centre at Agricultural College and Research Institute, Tiruchirapalli.
- IV. Centre of Innovation at Agricultural College and Research Institute, Madurai
- V. Dry Farming Centre at Dry Land Research Station, Chettinad, Sivagangai
- VI. Centre of Excellence in Oil Palm at Agricultural Research Station, Pattukottai
- 3. The Government, after careful consideration accepts the proposal of the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University. Accordingly, the Government accord Administrative approval for establishment of six Centres of Excellence at a total cost of Rs.22,96,00,000/- (Rupees twenty two crore and ninety six lakh only) subject to the following conditions:-
 - I. The equipment component amounting to Rs.14.54 crore shall be met from National Agricultural Development Programme (NADP) allocation for 2015-16.
 - II. The cost of civil component shall be restricted to Rs.3.00 crore (i.e) Rs.50 lakh per Centre
 - III. The existing staff in the Colleges shall only be utilized and no new posts shall be created. No redeployment from other Colleges for these Centres will be undertaken.
- 4. The Government also sanction a sum of Rs.3.00 crore (Rupees three crore only) for civil works at the rate of Rs. 50 lakh for each Centre.
- 5. The expenditure sanctioned in para 4 above shall be debited to the following head of account:-

2415 – Agricultural Research and Education -01 – Crop Husbandry -120-Assistance to Other Institutions - Schemes in the Twelfth Five Year Plan II. State Plan –JA-Grants to Tamil Nadu Agricultural University 09. Grants – in – Aid - 02 Grants for Creation of Capital Assets. (DPC 2415 -01-120 –JA -0921)

- 6. The expenditure sanctioned in para 4 above shall constitute an item of "New Service" and the approval of the Legislature will be obtained in due course. Pending approval of the Legislature, the expenditure will be initially met by drawal of an advance from the Contingency Fund, orders regarding which will be issued by Finance (BG-1) Department separately. The Director of Agriculture is requested to send necessary proposals to Government in Finance (BG-I) Department in the prescribed format along with a copy of this order for sanction of an advance from the Contingency Fund. He is also requested to send necessary explanatory notes for inclusion of the above expenditure in the Supplementary Estimates for the year 2015-2016, to Finance (BG-1) Department at an appropriate time without fail.
- 7. The Registrar, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University is directed to follow the existing Financial procedures / Government Orders while incurring the Expenditure sanctioned in para 4 above. He is also directed to inform the progress of the work and expenditure made every month to Government.
- 8. This orders issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O No.19814/Agriculture/2015, dated 07.04.2015 and Additional Sanction Ledger No.2 (Two).

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

RAJESH LAKHONI
Agricultural Production Commissioner
and Secretary to Government

To

The Registrar, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore -3.

The Director of Agriculture, Chepauk, Chennai -5.

The Joint Director of Agriculture, Coimbatore -3.

The Accountant General (G&SSA), Chennai – 18 (By Name)

The Accountant General (E&RSA), Chennai – 18. (By Name)

The Treasury Officer, Coimbatore

The Assistant Director, Local Fund Audit, Coimbatore – 18.

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

The Additional Senior Personal Assistant to Hon'ble Minster for Housing, Urban

Development and Agriculture, Chennai -9.

The Private Secretary to Chief Secretary, Chennai – 9.

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

The Resident Audit Officer, O/o Accountant General (G&SSA), Chennai-9.

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

The Deputy Secretary to Government, Finance (Ways and Means) Department, Chennai -9.

Agriculture (AP1) Department, Chennai-9.

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