

No.3/CIN/NRM/Land Leve./10/2016-17/D.Agri/298
Government of Goa,
Directorate of Agriculture,
Krishi Bhavan, Tonca,
Caranzalem, Goa.

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Sub:- Implementation of the State Sector Scheme "Assistance for Land Levelling" during 2016-17

The State Sector Scheme "Assistance for Land Levelling" is under implementation in the State of Goa since 2013-14. This scheme is implemented in all Talukas of State of Goa for leveling of land for crop cultivation. The Government of Goa has now modified the scheme "Assistance for Land Levelling" and notified scheme as "Assistance for Land Levelling, 2016 vide Notification No.3/ CIN/NRM./ Govt./ Land Level/10/2016-17/D.Agri/251, dated 05-07-2016, to be implemented in the State of Goa from the date of issue of this notification from the financial year 2016-17. The scheme shall remain in force till it is withdrawn or amended by Government of Goa. The scheme has concurrence of Finance (Exp) Department under the U.O. No. 1400025390, dated 06-06-2016. The scheme is to be implemented in all Talukas of States with the below mentioned objectives and components.

1. Objectives:-

- (i) To level the land to make it suitable for cultivation of crops.
- (ii) To bring more area under cultivation.
- (iii) To facilitate use of machinery for agricultural operations.

2. Eligibility:-

- (i) Individual farmer possessing own land or as tenant or on lease for next 10 years.
- (ii) Farmers willing to cultivate commercial crops for atleast next ten years in levelled area.
- (iii) Farmers should develop atleast 500 m² of area by need based levelling provided he/ she owns atleast 2000 m² area.
- (iv) The farmers name should reflect in the abstract of Krishi card issued by the Directorate of Agriculture as having right to the land to be levelled as owner, tenant or lessee with validity of minimum 10 yrs from year of application.

3. Pattern of Assistance:-

Subsidy would be provided as per the slope of the land to be developed. Maximum 10% slope will be allowed to be developed for agriculture purpose. The assistance of 50% of the standard cost as below shall be provided to the farmer.

Sr.No.	Slope of	Standard Cost	Admissible
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4. General Guidelines and procedure:-

- i. Farmer shall apply in specified form alongwith the specified documents required for the scheme to the Zonal Agriculture Officer (Z.A.O.) prior to the initiation of work for administrative approval.
- ii. Assistance shall be provided to the farmer after full work is executed. The farmer shall be required to submit the specified undertaking, that the levelling shall be done for agricultural purpose only and that he/she would continue with cultivation of agriculture crops at least for next ten years.
- iii. Farmer should also indicate in the undertaking that he/she would take up cultivation in levelled area within six months of completion of levelling work.
- iv. The Zonal Agriculture Officer (Z.A.O) shall inspect the land suitability for levelling to ensure that rocks are not exposed by levelling and fertile top soil is not wasted/eroded/transported outside the plot.
- v. The slope of land shall be determined by the Jr. Engineer of the Department duly supported by the photograph of the land to be levelled.
- vi. The administrative approval shall be given by the Zonal Agriculture Officer (Z.A.O.) upto 2000 m² of area and by the Director of Agriculture through Natural Resources Management (NRM) wing upto 1 Ha of area.
- vii. The work shall be executed by the farmer at his own cost. He/She shall submit the claim with details of expenditure and photograph of levelled area.
- viii. The completed work will be certified by the Z.A.O as per the slope and leveled area calculated by Engineer. The completed cases shall be submitted to District Agriculture Office along with vouchers, receipts, etc. for release of subsidy.

5. Documents required:


- i) Application of beneficiaries/farmers in the prescribed form.
- ii) Krishi Card copy/Farmer abstract copy.
- iii) Undertaking by the beneficiary that leveling shall be done by Agriculture purpose only that he/she to continue with cultivation of crops atleast next 10 years and should indicate that he/she would take up cultivation in level area within 6 months of completion of leveling work.
- iv) Photograph preferably with farmer beneficiary, before commencement of work and after completion of work.
- v) Certificate of Jr. Engineer of Department indicating slope.
- vi) GR-32 forms with revenue stamp, duly signed by the beneficiary.
- vii) Vouchers/bills of expenditure duly certified by Zonal Agriculture Officer.
- viii) Completion Certificate of Zonal Agriculture Officer/and Engineer.

The subsidy under State Sector Scheme for general farmer shall be debited to Budget Head "2401- Crop Husbandry, 00, 102- Food Grain Crops, 02- Crop Production and Input Management (P), 33- Subsidies" under Demand No.64.

The expenditure for Scheduled Caste farmers shall be debited to the Budget Head 2401- Crop Husbandry, 00, 789-Special Component Plan for Scheduled Caste, 01- Scheduled Caste Development Scheme (Plan), 33- Subsidies" under Demand No.64.

The expenditure for Scheduled Tribe farmers shall be debited to the Budget Head "2401- Crop Husbandry, 00, 796- Tribal Area Sub Plan, 01- Scheduled Tribe Development Scheme (P), 33- Subsidies" under demand No.64.

It may be noted that minimum 12% of expenditure/ target should be utilized for Tribal Area Sub-Plan and 2% of expenditure/target should be utilized for Schedule Caste and these cases may be submitted separately. The zone-wise physical target for "Assistance for Land Levelling" for the 2nd quarter of the financial year 2016-17 is enclosed herewith. The Zonal Agriculture Officers should make all possible efforts to achieve the target in full.


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Director of Agriculture

Enclosed: 1) Zone-wise target allotted
2) Form I to II.

To,
The Zonal Agricultural Officers (All) Pernem/ Mapusa/ Bicholim/ Sakhali/ Sattari/
Tiswadi/ Margao/ Ponda/ Sanguem/ Quepem/ Canacona/ Dharbandora-Goa

Copy to:

1. The District Agriculture Officer, North/South District, Goa
2. The Co-ordinator (All) at Head Quarters (i) Dy. Director of Agriculture (CIN)
(ii) Dy. Director of Agriculture (Hort.), (iii) Dy. Director of Agriculture
(Ext & IT)
3. The Programme Co-ordinator, Krishi Vigyan Kendra, South, Margao-Goa
4. The Asstt. Director of Agriculture (P&E), Directorate of Agriculture, Krishi
Bhavan, Tonca, Caranzalem-Goa
5. The Director, Directorate of Accounts, Panaji-Goa.
6. The Joint Director of Accounts, South Branch Margao-Goa.
7. The Accounts Officer, Directorate of Agriculture Krishi Bhavan Tonca,
Caranzalem-Goa

**THE ZONE-WISE TARGET ALLOTTED FOR THE SCHEME "ASSISTANCE FOR
LAND LEVELLING", FOR THE CUMULATIVE 2ND QUARTER OF THE
FINANCIAL YEAR 2016-17.**

Sr.No.	Zone/Taluka	Target	
		Physical (Area in Ha.)	Financial (Rs. in lakhs)
1	Zonal Agriculture Officer, Pernem	2.00	2.00
2	Zonal Agriculture Officer, Bardez	1.00	1.00
3	Zonal Agriculture Officer, Bicholim	1.00	1.00
4	Zonal Agriculture Officer, Sankhali	1.00	1.00
5	Zonal Agriculture Officer, Sattari	2.00	2.00
6	Zonal Agriculture Officer, Tiswadi	1.00	1.00
7	Zonal Agriculture Officer, Ponda	1.00	1.00
8	Zonal Agriculture Officer, Margao	1.00	1.00
9	Zonal Agriculture Officer, Quepem	2.00	2.00
10	Zonal Agriculture Officer, Sanguem	2.00	2.00
11	Zonal Agriculture Officer, Dharbandora	1.00	1.00
12	Zonal Agriculture Officer, Canacona	2.00	2.00
	Total	17.00	17.00

Sd/-
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