



Government of Goa
Directorate of Agriculture
Krishi Bhavan, Tonca Caranzalem Goa

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NOTIFICATION

Short title and commencement. - The scheme shall be called "**Promotion of Mechanization in Agriculture**" and shall be implemented under the sub component "**Assistance for Purchase of Agriculture Machinery & Equipments**".

(i) The scheme shall come into force with immediate effect and shall remain in force till withdrawn or as amended.

(ii) The scheme shall cover the State of Goa.

1. Objectives.-

- (i) Promote mechanization to overcome shortage and high cost of agricultural labour.
- (ii) Enable completion of agricultural operations in time.
- (iii) Reduce cost of cultivation of crops and increase net returns to farmers.
- (iv) Promote coverage of more area under crops.
- (v) Reduce drudgery of farmers specially farm women.

2. Eligibility for availing assistance :-

(i) Individual farmer, registered Group of farmers, registered agricultural Co-operative Societies of Farmers, Non-Government Organizations, Village Panchayat, Registered Agriculture Development Institutions, Farming Companies involved in commercial cultivation of various crops shall be eligible.

(ii) Farmers should possess Krishi Card of state of Goa.

(iii) In addition to the above, following criteria shall be required to be met by the applicant to avail benefit for specific machines.

2.(a). Tractor :-

(i) The farmer for his individual use of tractor should own atleast 10 ha. of area under agriculture duly supported by ownership documents.

(ii) Farmer shall be required to furnish the name of the driver for tractor along with copy of his valid driving license.

2. (b). Mini Tractor :-

(i) The farmer for individual use of mini tractor should own 2 ha. and more area under agriculture duly supported by documents of ownership of land.

(ii) Farmer shall be required to furnish the name of the driver with the copy of the driving license.

2. (c). Power Tiller :-

(i) The benefit of subsidy for purchase of Power Tiller for individual use requires the farmer to own agriculture land of 1 ha. and more duly supported by ownership documents.

(ii). Individual farmer owning agriculture land of 3000m² and more shall be eligible for subsidy to buy a power tiller provided that such farmer gives an undertaking (self declaration) to hire out their power tiller to other farmers on hire for agriculture operation & needs to register with ZAO / MCO as registered service providers to provide custom service at approved rates and also maintain the register towards the work done as per Annexure VI.

2. (d). Other machines :-

(i) The farmers owning agriculture land of 2000 Sq.metre and more are eligible to avail subsidy for purchase of machinery & equipments for items shown at Sr. No. 4 to 9 and Sr. No. 12 to 17 & 46 of Annexure - V.

- (ii) Manually operated equipments including manually operated sprayers & gator sprayers & the items shown from Sr. No. 35 to 42 & 44 of Annexure-V will be provided to farmers for agriculture purpose having 500 Sq. metre or more of agriculture land.
- (iii) The items used as attachment to main machines shown at Sr. No. 18 to 34, 43, 45, 47 of Annexure -V shall be provided only 50% subsidy to all category of farmers / groups/ societies who own main machines purchased through subsidy from the department.
- (iv) Paddy Transplanter of walk behind type will be provided to individual farmer owning at least 4000 m² of paddy field for self use and to hire out to needy farmers & where as riding type transplanter shall be provided only to farmer clubs/ Societies / NGO etc for providing custom service and not to individuals.
- (v) Paddy Combine Harvester shall be provided only to Farmers Club / Societies / NGO etc. and not to individuals & will be eligible for only 50% subsidy to all category of farmers/groups/societies.

2.(e). Institutions :-

- (i) Institutions, Societies, NGO's, Farmers Club, etc. shall furnish the registration certificate, resolution of Board, list of board members , copy of Memorandum of Association, mandate form of Bank, letter of authority for paying subsidy to bank, valid driving license of the person who would drive the tractor or mini tractor or paddy combine.
- (ii) Only registered Farmers Societies, Farmers Clubs or NGO's shall be eligible for availing assistance for Paddy Combine Harvester.
- (iii) Farmer club/societies / institutions etc. need not possess their own land. However 2/3rd members out of minimum ten members of such agencies, groups, societies etc shall possess krishi card with minimum agricultural area of 1000 m² each or more for purchase of paddy combine harvester, paddy transplanter, tractor, mini tractor, power tiller etc. & no members of the groups shall be in possession of any of these machines in their individual capacity.
- (iv) Only approved Models of machine would be assisted by government.

3. Pattern of Assistance :-

- (i) The ammended pattern of assistance is as shown below:-

Sr.No	Type of machinery/equipments	Pattern of assistance (General,SC,ST, Groups,Societies etc.)
A.	Tractor,Mini tractor, Power tiller, Mini tiller & Paddy Combine Harvester	50%
B	All other agricultural machinery & equipments & attachments /implements	75%
C	The items used as attachments/implements to other machines shown at Sr.no.18 to 34,43, 45,47 of Annexure-V	50%

- (ii) If the machine or equipment is purchased by obtaining loan from bank or any other financial institutions, the subsidy shall be released to the bank or such agency.
- (iii) In case the farmer has purchased the machine or equipment at his cost the subsidy shall be released to the farmer.
- (iv) In case a farmer is financially poor with annual income of less than Rs.3.60,000/- and furnishes Income Certificate from competent authority to this effect, then the farmer will be eligible to purchase machine or equipments. by availing " At Source subsidy facility" .In such case the subsidy shall be paid to the dealer provided farmer pays his/her share of cost (cost price-subsidy) to the dealer and also furnishes Letter of Authority to that effect. All such cases shall require prior approval of Director of Agriculture.
- (v) The subsidy shall be paid as per the standard cost of the machine fixed or as per the actual cost (excluding Taxes) whichever is less.

- (vi) The cost of machine or equipment over & above the standard cost if any shall be fully borne by the farmer.
- (vii) Subsidy admissible from Government of India Schemes including RKVY shall be adjusted within the total subsidy as above and only the balance subsidy shall be paid from State Sector.
- (viii) One primary tillage attachment shall required to be purchased along with purchase of tractor or mini tractor and only after satisfactory utilization (as reported by ZAO) additional attachment shall be approved for purchase.
- (ix) In case of failure of the beneficiary to provide machines on hire as per his/her self declaration (Undertaking), then the subsidy paid shall be summarily withdrawn and recovered as revenue recovery.
- (x) The machine should be purchased from approved dealers registered with the Department of Agriculture only. If any such machine is purchased from outside State, in such cases the beneficiary shall obtain from manufacturer / dealer a letter of assurance of after sales service / Warranty & Guarantee terms for the machine being purchased and also obtain quotation from dealer in Goa and outside state dealer for comparison and confirming reasonability of rates. Any disputes arising after sales, service / Warranty & Guarantee terms for machine purchased from outside State shall be sole responsibility of the beneficiary for settling the disputes with the respective dealer.
- (xi) No purchase of new machine shall be approved to any individual if the previous machine purchased with Govt. assistance has not completed its utility period of 10 years for tractors, mini tractors, paddy transplanter (riding type) and paddy combine harvester and 6 years for all other machines/equipments/implements. However the Service Providers of tractors registered with the department for providing custom service would become eligible for purchase of new tractor upon completion of 10,000 hours of work irrespective of the number of years completed since the date of its purchase.
- (xii) A beneficiary purchasing Tractor will not be eligible for purchase of Mini tractor, Power tiller & Minitiller for a period of 10 years or 10,000 hours whichever is reached later.
- (xiii) A beneficiary purchasing Mini tractor will not be eligible for purchase of Tractor, Power tiller & Minitiller for a period of 10 years or 8000 hours whichever is reached later.
- (xiv) A beneficiary purchasing Power tiller will not be eligible for purchase of Tractor, Mini tractor & Minitiller for a period of 6 years or 4000 hours whichever is reached later.
- (xv) A beneficiary purchasing Minitiller will no. be eligible for purchase of Tractor, Mini tractor & Powertiller for a period of 6 years or 2500 hours whichever is reached later.
- (xvi) The standard cost of machines shall be fixed by the technical committee constituted by the Department.

4. Guidelines and procedure.-

- (i) The scheme shall be co-ordinated by Agriculture Engineering Section.
- (ii) The applicant shall apply to Zonal Agriculture Officer in prescribed application form in Annexure - I along with abstract of krishi card, quotation of the machinery from dealer/ authorized dealer with other details as listed in Annexure II.
- (iii) The applicant shall fulfill the eligibility conditions of the scheme. Individual farmer shall not obtain NOC from any other individual to fulfill the required eligible area criteria for purchase of machinaries/equipments under subsidy. The certificate for not having purchased such machinery/equipment/attachement for last 6 years and 10 years for tractor, mini tractor, combine harvester, paddy transplanter (riding).
- (iv) The NGO's, Groups, registered farmer Societies, farmers club, etc. will be eligible for subsidy for maximum of two Tractors, two Mini-tractor, two Power tillers & 5 nos of other agricultural equipments/ attachements. Additional number of equipments/

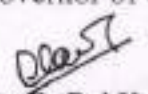
attachments would be allowed by the department upon verification of full utilization of allotted machine.

- (v) The subsidy for Paddy combine shall be provided only to groups, registered agricultural co-operative Societies, Village Agro Service Centres etc & not for individual farmers. It would be purchased only with prior approval of Government and shall fulfill the criteria for eligibility of group/Institutions.
- (vi) In case of loan from the Bank or other organization, loan account details and name of financier shall be indicated in the prescribed application form along with copy of first page of loan account book.
- (vii) The registered agricultural Co-Operative Societies/Panchayat/Registered Group, NGO desirous of providing Tractor, Mini tractor, Power tiller etc on custom service in the village should provide a copy of registration certificate of society, copy of Memorandum of Association, transaction in bank account, quotation, resolution of the Board/Organization/Governing committee, authorized signatory for doing the transactions, an undertaking of providing service to the farmers at prescribed rate.
- (viii) The proposal for purchase of machinery like tractor, mini tractor, power tiller, mini tiller, paddy transplanter, combine harvester etc shall be verified by Zonal Agriculture Officer and respective Mechanical Cultivation Officer & forward to the Director of Agriculture through Assistant Director (Agriculture Engineering) for Administrative Approval. Upon approval by Director of Agriculture, the approval shall be conveyed by Zonal Agriculture Officer to the beneficiary. For all other cases, administrative approval shall be accorded by the concerned Zonal Agriculture Officer within financial limits (i.e subsidy upto Rs 1.5 lakhs) delegated to them.
- (ix) The Zonal Agriculture Officer shall submit the completed claims to the District Agriculture Office (North/South) as per guidelines and checklist for expenditure sanction. The expenditure sanction shall be issued by the District Agriculture Office (North/South) upto Rs. 3 Lakhs & expenditure sanction above Rs. 3 Lakhs shall be issued by Director of Agriculture & the assistance admissible shall be drawn & paid through concerned District Agriculture Office (North/South). The payment shall be done through ECS mode of payment OR any other mode as specified by the Finance Department of the state.
- (x) The machinery/equipment/attachment subsidized under scheme shall be verified annually for its utility by the concerned Zonal Agriculture Officer and copy of verification/ inspection report to be placed in the respective file of the beneficiary.
- (xi) Any machinery/equipments/attachments shall be purchased only from dealers registered with the Department of Agriculture. Purchase of any such machinery from outside State, specific approval shall be required to be obtained in advance.
- (xii) The standard price of items that are not listed in the circular but are eligible for subsidy shall be specifically examined on case to case basis by the technical committee formed by department prior to according administrative approval.
- (xiii) The subsidy would be restricted to the percentage stipulated for a particular machine based on standard cost or the actual cost (excluding Taxes) whichever is less.
- (xiv) The case where the machines were purchased in previous year the subsidy would be paid as per the standard price applicable for that particular year.
- (xv) The Zonal Agriculture Officer shall ensure that the Tractor / Mini Tractor/ Trolley is duly registered in the local registration Office and shall enclose the copy of registration for claiming the subsidy.
- (xvi) Wherever the machine has been purchased for hiring out to the other farmers, the Zonal Agriculture Officer shall duly register such machine in the concerned office and display its availability to other farmers.

- (xvii) Zonal Agriculture Officer's are empowered to consider and accord Ex-post facto administrative approval for machinery/equipments/attachments purchased costing upto Rs.10,000/- & below (Excl.GST), but to ensure that the approval is given within the allotted target .
- (xviii) Any machinery/ equipments/ attachments approved by Ministry of Agriculture, Govt. of India shall be considered for subsidy purpose.
- (xxi) For machinery/equipments/attachments valued more than Rs.5000/-(invoice cost Excluding Taxes), photograph of beneficiary along with purchased machinery with visibly engraved machinery registration number given by ZAO shall be enclosed.
- (xx) Farmers/individuals who has purchased tractors/mini tractor/power tiller for own use can also provide custom service to the farmer provided that they should furnish self declaration (Undertaking) for such work to ZAO/MCO and should get their machines registered with the department for providing custom service.
- (xxi) Machinery purchased under government assistance shall not be taken outside state for any purpose without obtaining prior approval from Director of Agriculture.
- (xxii) Subsidy amount of Rs.500/- and less for the machinery/equipments purchased by the beneficiary will not be considered .
- (xxiii) The competent authority for issuing Road tax exemption certificate for tractor ,mini tractor and trailer will be The Assistant Director (Agriculture Engineering) of this Directorate.
- (xxiv) Individual beneficiary shall be eligible for subsidy for any one of the machine amongst tractor or mini tractor and power tiller or mini tiller .
- (xxv) Tractor/Mini tractor/Trailer or any other road-worthy agriculture machinery purchased through department subsidy shall be compulsorily registered with the state government registering authority(Transport department).
- (xxvi) The list of revised Annexures (I to VI) are enclosed.
5. **Relaxation :-** The Government shall be empowered to relax any or all clauses or conditions of the scheme in genuine cases. However in such cases , release of financial assistance will be considered only with the approval of Finance (Exp.) Department.
6. **Interpretation.-** If any question arises regarding interpretation of any clause, word, expression of the scheme, the decision shall lie with the Government, which shall be final and binding on all concerned.
7. **Redressal of grievances and disputes.-** Grievances if any, arising out of the implementation of this scheme, shall be heard and decided by the Minister for Agriculture and the decision of the Minister for Agriculture in this regard shall be final and binding on all concerned.

This Notification will be effective from immediate effect. This issues with the concurrence of the Finance (Expenditure) Department vide their U.O No.957 dated 04/07/2017.

By order and in the name
of Governor of Goa


(Ulhas B. Pai Kakode)

**Director of Agriculture &
Ex -officio Joint Secretary to
Government of Goa**

ANNEXURE - I

1. Application form as prescribed by the department

ANNEXURE - II

Documents required for Assistance under scheme sub component "Assistance for purchase of Agriculture Machinery & Equipments".

1. Quotation from the dealer for machinery/equipment/attachment proposed to be purchased.
2. Abstract of Krishi Card.
3. Certificate of not having purchase tractor, mini tractor, combine harvester, paddy transplanter (ridging type) for last ten years & other machinery/equipment/attachment for last six years by respective individual applicant (Annexure -III).
4. Self declaration as enclosed in Annexure- IV.
5. In case the machine is purchased from outside Goa, than Undertaking from the dealer that service shall be provided in Goa and also quotation from the dealer in Goa and outside Goa for comparison. In case if the machine is not available in Goa than the machine may be purchased from outside state from the authorised dealer provided the dealer gives service after sales and the certificate stating that there is no authorised dealer in Goa.
6. The registered agricultural Co-operative societies/panchayat/registered group/NGOs etc desires of providing tractor, mini tractor, power tiller service in village should provide a copy of registration certificate of society, copy of Articles of Association, transaction in bank account, quotation, resolution of the board/organization/governing committee, authorised signatory for doing the transactions, an self declaration(Undertaking) of providing service to the farmer of corresponding village /villages.
7. Tractor/Mini tractor/combine harvester purchases to have valid driving license.
8. Registration certificate for tractor/mini tractor from the concerned transport authority.

ANNEXURE - III

CERTIFICATE BY ZONAL AGRICULTURE OFFICER

It is certified that the applicant Shri/Smt.....having Krishi Card no.....has not purchased.....(Name of machine/attachment/equipment) for last six / ten years.

It is certified that the applicant belongs to SC/ST/Women/General category.

Certified that the applicant is a bonafide farmer / Societies engaged in agriculture work.

(Zonal Agriculture Officer)
(seal)

ANNEXURE - IV
Self Declaration

I/We _____ resident of _____ represented by _____ (in case of organization) here by state and affirm that the _____ (Type of machinery) being purchased by me and for which the subsidy is requested by me from the Department of Agriculture, Government of Goa, shall be used exclusively for agriculture purpose by me in my property located at _____ and / or for hiring out to farmer's in _____ Villages.

I hereby agree to use the machinery in my field and to hire to needy farmers for at least next 6 years / 10 year from the date of purchase of machinery for Agricultural use. In the default of same, I undertake that the subsidy paid to me/us by the Department of Agriculture shall be repaid back to the Government failing which I authorize the Director of Agriculture or his representative to recover the subsidy paid to me as recovery of Government revenue.

Photo of
farmer

Dated:-

Signature of Farmer:- _____

Place:-

Name of farmer:- _____

Address:- _____

ANNEXURE - VI

INSPECTION REPORT

This is to certify that the beneficiary Shri. / Smt. _____ resident of _____ has purchased below mentioned machineries/equipments/attachments during the year _____ & is duly registered in this zonal office.

Sr. No	Details of Agriculture machinery/Equipment/Attachment (Including Engine No. ,Chassis No. & Model No.)	Quantity	Office Registration number	Name of Dealer

The above machinery is found to be working satisfactorily during the time of inspection .

Inspected by

(Signature of Asst. Agriculture Officer)

(Signature of Zonal Agriculture Officer)