NOTIFICATION

Short title and commencement. – The scheme shall be called “Modified scheme for Custom Hiring Service in Agriculture”.

(i) The scheme shall cover all talukas of the State of Goa.

(ii) The scheme shall come into force with immediate effect and shall remain in force till it is withdrawn or as amended.

1. Objectives:-

(i) Promote agricultural mechanization to overcome shortage and high cost of manual labour.

(ii) To encourage optimum tillage through custom service facility.

(iii) Enable completion of agricultural operations in time.

(iv) To bring in mechanization within reach of common farmer.

2. Eligibility :-

(i) All the farmers in Goa venturing for Ploughing/ transplanting /weeding/harvesting shall be eligible for subsidy on hire charges of agricultural machineries.

(ii) Machinery should be hired from Government Departments or Government approved agencies.

3. Pattern of Assistance :-

(i) 50% subsidy on standard hire charges will be provided to farmers at source while booking agriculture machineries on hire from Department of Agriculture. Whenever a government approved agencies hire the machine, farmer has to pay full cost of hire charges and thereafter 50% subsidy shall be released to farmer after the work is completed and on due application.

(ii) 50% subsidy on standard hire charges shall also be provided for agriculture machineries hired by following agencies:- (a) Sanjivani Sahakari Sakhar Karkhana Ltd. (b) Command Area Development Authority (CADA). (c) Goa Tillari Irrigation Corporation. (d) Department approved Farmers Club, NGO, Village Agro Service Centre. (e) Co-operative Societies. (f) Department approved individuals hiring out machinery at approved rates.(g) manufacturing Companies custom hiring centres .

(iii) 60% subsidy for transplanting would be provided in case of collective farming for more than 04 nos. of farmers having less than 1hectare area of each individual farmers & combined to do transplanting collectively.

(iv) The present rate of standard hire charges are as shown below:-

a. Tractor (30 HP and above) :- Rs. 500/hour

b. Mini Tractor (Upto 29 HP) :- Rs. 200/hour

c. Power tiller (Upto 18HP) :- Rs. 200/hour

d. Paddy combine harvester :- Rs. 2000/hour

(1)
e. Paddy Transplanting:

(i) The subsidy for raising nursery & transplanting will be maximum of Rs 15,000/- per hectare for individual farmers as shown at 3 (i) & 3 (ii) in Pattern of Assistance above and subsidy for raising nursery and transplanting will be maximum of Rs 18,000/- per hectare for collective farming as shown in Pattern of Assistance at 3 (iii) above.

(ii) Increase of individual farmers, there will be a subsidy cap of maximum 2 hectare area & for collective farming, individuals should be having maximum 1 hectare area. However higher area can be part of collective farming but benefit will be restricted to 1 hectare area only.

(v) The subsidy shall be released based on standard hire charges per hour fixed by Department of Agriculture for each type of machine except for transplanter. The standard hire charges would be fixed by a committee nominated by Director of Agriculture with approval of Finance department & Government. The committee will determine the cost of hire charges. However in case of transplanter, committee will determine raising of nursery & transplanting cost separately.

(vi) The subsidy for tilling soil shall be provided for cultivation of all crops.

(vii) No subsidy shall be provided to the farmer who has been provided with the appropriate machine for ploughing, transplanting, weeding and harvesting.

(viii) Wherever the subsidy is provided at source to the farmers at the time of payment of hire charges by Government, the subsidy will be book adjusted.

4. Procedure and guidelines for claim of subsidy:-

a) The agencies who are registered for providing custom hiring to the farmers will have a cap on the number of hours the machine would work in a season/year. The following machines would work as follows:-

(i) Tractor :- 600 Hours per year
(ii) Mini tractor :- 500 Hours per year
(iii) Power tiller/Mini tiller :- 500 Hours per year
(iv) Transplanting machine :- 250 Hours per season (Kharif & Rabi)
(v) Weeding machine :- 250 Hours per season (Kharif & Rabi)
(vi) Harvesting Machine :- 350 Hours per season (Kharif & Rabi)

Any agency willing to do additional hours would be free to do so, however his bill will not be considered for subsidy.

b) The agency would be given the requisition for carrying out the work by the concerned taluka level officer (i.e. Mechanical Cultivation Officer or Zonal Agricultural Officer) against which the agency will carry out the work of the farmer.

c) In case of departmental tractors, subsidy to farmers will be provided at source while accepting advance payment towards standard hire charges.

d) In case of machinery provided by agencies like Sanjivani Sahakari Sakhar Karkhana, Goa Tillari Irrigation Development Corporation, C.A.D.A etc., subsidy will be paid to the agency if machinery is provided to farmers at subsidised rates.

e) In case of farmer, subsidy will be reimbursed to the farmer upon receipt of claim from farmer and after verification of work and receipts towards work done.

f) The farmer shall apply for subsidy within a period of three months from the date of execution of ploughing/harvesting/transplanting work.
g) The formats of self declaration, acknowledgement, letter of authority to be furnished along with claims is enclosed.

h) Annexures forming Annexure-I & Annexure-II for claiming reimbursement of custom service enclosed.

i) Annexure-III as format of register to be maintained by the custom service provider to ascertain the number of working hours of machinery per season/year.

5. Interpretation:-

Issues, if any, arising with regards to interpretation of any clause, word(s), expression(s) or the entire scheme, the decision in this respect shall vest with the Government.

6. Redressal of grievances and disputes:-

Grievances or disputes, if any, arising out of implementation of the scheme shall be submitted to and decided by the Minister of Agriculture and the decision taken in this respect shall be final and binding on all concerned.

7. Relaxation:-

The Government shall, with prior consultation with the Finance Department relax any or all conditions specified above to meet the objectives of the scheme.

This Notification shall be effective from immediate effect.

This is issued in supersession to earlier Notification No. 3/1/WS/Mech/13-14/D.Agri/224 dated 18th July,2013 and issues with the concurrence of Finance (Expenditure) Department under U. O. No.944, dated 04/07/2017.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

(Ulhas B. Pai Kakode)
Director of Agriculture & Ex-officio Joint Secretary to Government of Goa
Self Declaration

I the undersigned ........................................ r/o.......................... do hereby state & undertake that I have cultivated paddy/ pulses/ cereals/ sugarcane in an area of ............ Ha during year (20.....to 20.....) Kharif / Rabi season by way of mutual verbal agreement with the owner/occupant of the property figuring in the enclosed land index under Survey No..................

The information provided above is correct and I shall be solely responsible if any of the information furnished above is proved false. Further, I hereby also indemnify the Directorate of Agriculture or their representative from any damage on legal issues that may arise in case the above information is proved to be false.

Dated:-

Place:-

Signature of Farmer:- ..............................

Name of farmer:- .................................

Address:- ........................................
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Subsidy for Custom Service for hiring Agricultural Machinery

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I, .............................................................................. (Name of farmer) hereby acknowledge that the work requisitioned by me for Harvesting/ Ploughing/ Transplanting from ........................................................................... (Name of service provider) has been satisfactorily completed.

Signature of Farmer: ........................................

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LETTER OF AUTHORITY

I, .............................................................................. (Name of Farmer) resident of ...................................................... hereby state that I have availed custom service for Harvesting/Ploughing/ Transplanting at subsidized hire charges and paid an amount of Rs. ....................... for ..................... Hours / Minutes of work OR ................................ Sq.mts area (Incise of transplanting) vide receipt no.................. dated..............

In view of the services obtained, I hereby authorize the Director of Agriculture to pay the subsidy on custom service due to me, be paid to ............................................

Date:-.................................................. Sign of Farmer: ..........................................

Place:- .................................................. Name of Farmer: ...........................................
ANNEXURE – I (To be submitted by the service provider)
Statement of claim for reimbursement of Custom Service for the year ..............

Name of Service Provider:- ..........................................
Season:- Kharif / Rabi
Nature of Work:- Ploughing / Harvesting / Transplanting
Type of Agriculture Machinery:- Tractor / Mini tractor / Power Tiller / Paddy Transplanter / Combine Harvester

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CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, Shri/Smt. ________________________________ (Name of authorised person), on behalf of ________________________________ (Name of organisation/Society/Club) hereby state that the harvesting / Ploughing / transplanting work of the farmers have been carried out to their full satisfaction and the time/area shown in the Annexure is the actual time used for harvesting / ploughing / transplanting work of the respective farmer.

In case the said hours or the actual claim is found to be false, the excess amount shall be deducted from the claims submitted by us.

Date:-

Seal and Signature of the service provider
ANNEXURE – II (To be submitted by the Zonal Agriculture Officer / Mechanical Cultivation Officer)

Statement of claim for reimbursement of Custom Service for the year ...............

Name of Service Provider:- ........................................

Season:- Kharif / Rabi

Nature of Work:- Ploughing / Harvesting / Transplanting

Type of Agriculture Machinery:- Tractor / Mini tractor / Power Tiller / Paddy Transplanter / Combine Harvester

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CERTIFICATE

1. Certified that the work in respect of above farmers have been satisfactorily completed by the service provider and an amount of Rs. ........................................ (Rs................................in words) is recommended for sanction towards the ploughing / transplanting / harvesting work to be paid to the farmers/service provider.

2. It is certified that the original bills / receipts of the farmers and related documents are duly verified, certified and are retained in this office for records.

Signature of the ZAO / MCO :-.................................
ANNEXURE - III

Register to be maintained by Custom Service Providers

Name of the Custom Service Provider : .................................................................

Registration No. Of Machine (Alloted by ZAO): ....................................................

Registration No. Of Machine (Alloted by RTO): ....................................................

Month and Year : .................................................................................................

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Signature of Service Provider : ........................................................................