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This issue with the concurrence of the Finance Department under their U. O. No. 1400067180 dated 22-10-2019.

By order and in the name of Governor of Goa.

Madhav Kelkar, Director (Agriculture) & ex officio Joint Secretary

Tonca, Caranzalem, 11th December, 2019.

Notification

3/Crops & PP/27&31/SCP-TSP Scheme File/
2019-20/D.Agri/302

Scheduled Tribe farmers are financially weak and do not use the required inputs as recommended for cultivation, to provide financial boost to these farmers and to encourage youths from the communities for self employment and to build confidence among the ST farmers against the price inflation of the inputs and follow recommended package of practices. It is therefore proposed to support these communities with financial assistance on the purchase of the inputs.

Government is therefore pleased to notify the scheme as under:—

(1) *Short title and commencement.*— (i) This scheme shall be called as "Assistance for Purchase of Agriculture Inputs".

(ii) This scheme shall come into force from the date of its notification in the Official Government Gazette and shall be in force a duration of 5 years.

(2) *Aims and Objectives of the Schemes*

Objectives.— The main objectives of the schemes are:—

1. To provide financial boost to ST farmers for taking up agriculture for their economic upliftment.
2. To encourage youths from ST for self employment in agriculture.

3. To build up the confidence among the farmers against the price inflation of the inputs by assisting them, thereby motivating farmers to use recommended Package of Practices.

A. Pattern of Assistance Proposed:— ST farmers are financially weak and do not use the required inputs as recommended for cultivation. It is proposed to provide assistance to the extent of 75% of the cost on inputs such as seed, planting material, pesticides, soil conditioners bio-fertilizer etc. with a maximum subsidy limit of Rs. 12000/- Ha. The quantity of the inputs will be ascertained based on area of crops cultivated and recommended dosage. The maximum area to be considered for subsidy for an individual farmer is 2.00 Ha. for one crop season limited to subsidy of Rs. 24000/-

B. Eligibility/criteria for selection of the farmer to provide the benefit.— The applicant farmer belonging to Scheduled Tribe should possess cultivable land. The land should be in his own name or on lease, or other written agreement.

C. Documents required to be attached alongwith the application.

1. Latest copy of the Form I and XIV of the land index.
2. Bill/original cash receipts towards purchase of inputs.
3. Copy of the Caste certificate issued by the competent authority.
4. Mandate form duly filled in for ECS transfer.
5. Form GAR 32 duly signed by the farmer.

D. Guidelines and procedure adopted for sanction.

1. The scheme shall be implemented & monitored by Plant Protection Section under control of Dy. Director of Agriculture (PP).
2. The applicant farmer shall purchase the required inputs like seed, planting material, fertilizer & pesticide.

3. Farmer shall submit the claims to the Zonal Agriculture Officer with all the documents listed for attachment alongwith application.
4. The Zonal Agriculture Officer shall verify the case and recommend the subsidy as per the pattern of assistance to the Directorate.
5. The cases shall scrutinized by Plant Protection Section at Directorate of Agriculture, and eligible cases shall be sanctioned for subsidy.
7. The subsidy shall be drawn and disbursed by Zonal Agriculture Officer, and paid by ECS.

(3) *Relaxation*:— The Government shall be empowered to relax any or all clause or conditions of the scheme in genuine cases. However for release of financial assistance in such case will be considered only with the approval of Finance (Exp.) Department.

(4) *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.

(5) *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 of Agriculture in this regard shall be final and binding on all concerned.

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Department of Environment

Notification

7/17/2019-20/GSBB/BHS/037/960

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 37 of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002 (Central Act No. 18 of 2003) and in consultation with the Village Panchayat of Surla conveyed vide letter No. VPS/Bich/NOC (heritage site)/2019-20/1030 dated 09-10-2019, the Government of Goa hereby notifies the land admeasuring an area of 7300 sq. mts. surveyed under Survey No. 57, sub-division No. 1 of village Surla, Taluka Bicholim, District North Goa, State of Goa, locally known as "Purvatali Rai" located at Joshibhat Khadapwada, Ward No. 2 of Village Surla and shown in the survey plan appended hereto, being area of biodiversity importance as biodiversity heritage site for the purposes of the said Act, with immediate effect.

The said land, "Purvatali Rai" is bounded as under:—

On the East: By the property surveyed under Survey No. 56/1;

On the West: By the property surveyed under Survey No. 58;

On the North: By the property surveyed under Survey No. 53/1 and

On the South: By the property surveyed under Survey No. 57/2.

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

Sd/-, Principal Secretary (Environment).

Porvorim, 13th December, 2019.