

Annexure-8.40.

Assistance to Indebted Dairy Farmers - Circular of Directorate of Dairy Development

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The Deputy Directors of Dairy Development Department
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Sir,

Sub : Dairy Development – Plan Scheme 2016-17 – Declaration in revised Budget speech – Assistance for Indebted Dairy Farmers – Generating Date Base regarding Indebted Dairy Farmers - Reg

Ref : 01. Budget Provisions 2016-17 of Government of Kerala.

02. Provisions included in revised budget speech 2016-17 dated 08.07.2016

03. Minutes of the Working Group Meeting held on

As per the ref 01 cited above, a total amount of Rs 8617.02 lakh has been sanctioned under plan fund for the Year 2016-17 for the Departmental Level schemes of Dairy Development Department. As ref 02 cited above, as a part of revised budget speech the Hon. Minister for Finance had declared that Rs 500 lakh will be allotted for "***Assisting farmers who have fallen into debt trap due to the death of cattle provided by local self-government institutions or due to lower milk yields and thereby facing legal confiscation steps***".

As an extension to the same, **Rs 1000** was included in the revised budget estimate as TOKEN PROVISION under the **Head of Account: 2404-00-800-76 (Scheme : Assistance to indebted farmers)**. Further the subject committee at the Legislative assembly, Thiruvananthapuram chaired by Hon. Minister for Dairy Development Adv. K. Raju directed the Department to place the Detailed Project Report for Administrative sanction and sanction of declared fund (Rs 5 crore) with a modification so as to include all farmers of the state (other than from LSG institutions as stated in the budget speech) who availed loan from banks for purchase of milch animals and have become bankrupt and facing legal actions from bank.

As per ref 03 cited above, the Working Group Meeting held on and chaired by The Government Secretary, AH & Dairy has recommended for issuing Administrative Sanction for the implementation of the said scheme. The Department either through Additional Authorisation or through SDG (Last SDG of 2016-17) has already applied for the allocation and sanction of Rs 5 crore for implementation of the programme

The draft of the Detailed Project Report Submitted to Government is attached herewith for your information and perusal.

This scheme envisages to provide financial and social security to those category of farmers who have fallen into debt trap due to death of the cattle or low milk yields and are thereby facing legal confiscation steps

TECHNICAL PARAMETERS

01. Preference shall be given to farmers who are beneficiaries / beneficiary groups of **LSGD Schemes** and who have availed loan and have become bankrupt due to loss / death of animals or due to reduced milk production

02. Those **beneficiaries of Department level schemes** who have availed loan from financial institutions and who have become bankrupt for being defaulting in repayment of loan amount and interest amount.
03. In case of availability of fund, those farmers who are **not beneficiaries of either department level schemes or LSGD schemes** and who have directly availed loan from financial institution and are facing legal actions from bank for being a defaulter in repayment of loan availed from bank
04. Maximum permissible compensation per milch animal shall be Rs 20,000 and upper ceiling for a particular beneficiary shall be Rs 1,00,000 lakh.
05. Those beneficiaries who have received compensation from other Government agencies (like contingency fund from Dairy Dept, AH dept) shall not be eligible under this scheme.
06. The beneficiaries who pour milk to DCS of his district shall be given preference during the selection criteria
07. Those beneficiaries who have received compensation by mode of insurance claim for the same animal is not eligible for applying under this scheme.
08. The Dairy Development Department will notify the period (min 45 days) demanding the prospective beneficiaries of this scheme to submit the formal and duly filled application forms
09. The application forms shall be submitted at DESU level offices
10. The application shall be complete in all respect and shall contain original of bank certificate showing the overdue amount as on date and details of loan amount sanctioned, terms and condition, details of repayment scheduled, interest rates, amount repayed. Overdue amount, One time settlement criteria
11. Preliminary scrutiny of application and checking the genuinely of documents attached shall be done at DESU level
12. The Dairy Extension Officer shall prepare a rank list in the order of genuinely and shall forward the list along with original application to the concerned Deputy Director
13. The Deputy Director shall be the final authority for selecting the district beneficiaries. A district level selection committee shall be constituted (see para).
14. The final list of beneficiaries (DESU wise listed) shall be submitted to The Director, Dairy Development for final approval
15. The final assistance sanctioned and released for a particular beneficiary shall be credited against the concerned loan account of the particular beneficiary who have turned bankrupt

DISTRICT LEVEL SELECTION COMMITTEE

District Level selection committee shall be constituted with following members. This committee shall be responsible for the final selection of district level beneficiaries for the said project.

01. The Deputy Director (Convenor)
02. Assistant Directors (Technical Assistant)
03. Assistant Director (Quality Control Officer)
04. Veterinary Doctor (not below the rank of Sr. Vet. Surgeon as nominated by District Veterinary Offices)
05. Selected Dairy Extension Officers (2 No.s nominated by The Deputy Director)
06. Dairy Farm Instructor (1 No. nominated by The Deputy Director)

The Govt. Secretary has directed the Dairy Development Department to generate and submit the **DETAILED DATA BASE OF INDEBTED FARMERS** who are eligible to be funded under the proposed scheme.

In regard to the same, it is instructed that

1. A proper propaganda for the proposed scheme shall be made at state level, district level and block level. Media coverage and other means of propaganda shall be ensured. The state level propaganda shall be the responsibility of the Directorate, while the Concerned Deputy Directors shall be responsible for the District level coverage while The Dairy Extension Officers need to ensure the propaganda of this

2. The details of the schemes shall be communicated to the DCS of the district/DESU. Effort shall be made to collect the details of Indebted Dairy Farmers through the concerned DCS
3. The Dairy Extension Officers are directed to communicate the details of the said scheme with all the Nationalised, Scheduled and Co-operative banks under their jurisdiction. The Deputy Directors shall ensure that the same is performed by their subordinate officers of the district. The Officers at various level shall ensure that the scheme is taken as an agenda for detailed discussion during the upcoming SLBC meeting (Action - Directorate), DLBC meeting (Action - Deputy Director) and BLBC meetings (Action – The Dairy Extension Officer)
4. The District Officers and The Dairy Extension Officers shall ensure that the details and working of the scheme is communicated properly to the LSGD under their jurisdiction.
5. The duly filled application form shall be accompanied by supporting documents like proof of residence, copy of pass book of loan account, certificate from concerned bank that the applicant is an indebted farmer who has defaulted in loan repayment and is at present facing legal confiscation steps.
6. The Dairy Extension Officers shall submit the detailed list of such farmers to The Deputy Director concerned **before 06.02.2017** and district list of prospective beneficiaries of the said scheme tabulated in the ***format attached*** shall reach the Directorate **before 10.02.2017**. ***Application form of individual farmers shall be collected after allocation and sanction of fund by the State Government***

Yours Faithfully,


DIRECTOR (I/C)

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