



#### **GOVERNMENT OF KERALA**

#### **Abstract**

Agriculture Department- Annual Plan 2024-25-Administrative Sanction for releasing an amount of Rs.3314.00 lakh under "State Crop Insurance Scheme" - Sanctioned- Orders Issued.

# AGRICULTURE (AGRI) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.362/2024/AGRI Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 16-04-2024

1 GO (Ms) No. 37/2017/Agri dated 22.03.2017.

# Read

- 2 GO (Rt) No. 764/2023/Agri dated 02.08.2023.
- 3 Proposal No. ADFW/4731/2024-TP2 dated 09.04.2024 from the Director, Agriculture Development and Farmers Welfare Department.

# **ORDER**

The implementation of the restructured State Crop Insurance Scheme in the State was sanctioned as per GO read as 1st paper above with inclusions and revisions to the details of crops and issues covered, eligibility criteria for membership, rate of premium, rate of compensation, procedure for claiming assistance and sanction of compensation, made as per various Government orders in this regard. During the financial year 2023-24, Government accorded Administrative Sanction for the Scheme as per GO read as 2nd paper above for an amount of Rs.3000.00 lakh.

2. The Director, Agriculture Development and Farmers Welfare Department vide letter read as 3rd paper above informed that an amount of Rs. 3314.00 lakh (Rupees Thirty Three Crore Fourteen Lakh Only) has been earmarked for the Scheme in the Annual Plan 2024-25 under the Head of Account 2401-00-110-82 Plan. Also informed that the State Crop Insurance Scheme is proposed to be implemented in the FY 2024-25 as in the previous financial year, without any modifications from the mode it was implemented during 2023-24, for the payment of insurance compensation to farmers in the state and requested sanction

for an amount of Rs.3314.00 lakh. It was also informed that this amount is inclusive of the pending dues eligible for payment from 2022 onwards and treasury queue bills of FY 2023-24 and that the Scheme will be monitored by the Additional Director of Agriculture (Crop Production) at the state level.

- 3. Having examined the matter in detail and as the State Crop Insurance Scheme is proposed to be continued during the Financial year 2024-25 also, Government are pleased to accord Administrative Sanction for releasing an amount of Rs.3314.00 lakh (Rupees Thirty Three Crore Fourteen Lakh Only) under the Scheme for insurance compensation for crop loss including previous years pending dues under the Head of Account 2401-00-110-82 Plan, subject to following conditions.
- 1.The Additional Director (CP) of Agriculture should be the Project Manager and the project should be completed by 31.03.2025
- 2. All rules, formalities and procedures shall be strictly followed for the implementation of the Scheme. The norms of financial propriety shall be adhered to.
- 3. The expenditure will be met only from the provision available under the appropriate Head of Account.
- 4. The fund release shall be based on actual requirement, and the fund released should not be parked in banks.
- 5. Store Purchase Rules shall be strictly adhered to for all kinds of purchases.
- 6. Tender/ e-tender and other stipulated formalities shall be followed wherever necessary.
- 7. Post Creation and purchase of vehicles are not admissible under the Scheme.
- 8. The Head of Department shall monitor the implementation of the Scheme and ensure that the implementation is as per the existing procedures, rules and regulations.

- 9. The implementing agencies/ department also shall prepare an implementation schedule to complete the project in time and send regular progress report on financial and physical progress on a quarterly basis.
- 10. The Director should hold monitoring meetings to review the progress and send report to Government regarding the progress of implementation of the Scheme.
- 11. The Director, Agriculture shall sign an MoU with the concerned implementing agencies of the Scheme before releasing the funds. It should also be ensured that the Utilization Certificates pertaining to all schemes are submitted by the agencies in time.
- 12. AIMS portal registration and Digital Soil Health Card is mandatory.
- 13. Geo fencing & Geo tagging is mandatory. It shall be ensured in every Scheme wherever beneficiaries exist.
- 14. Plan review will be conducted every month.

(By order of the Governor)

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The Information & Public Relations (Web & New media) Department.

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