



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Agriculture Department- Annual Plan 2025-26 - Scheme "International Research and Training Centre for Below Sea level Farming (IRTCBSF)" - Administrative Sanction accorded - Orders issued

AGRICULTURE (AGRI) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.523/2025/AGRI Dated,Thiruvananthapuram, 30-05-2025

Read 1 Letter no. ADFW/3854/2025-TP2 dated 14.05.2025 from the Director of Agriculture Development and Farmers' Welfare Department, Thiruvananthapuram.

2 Minutes of the Working Group Meeting held on 19.05.2025

ORDER

The Director of Agriculture Development and Farmers' Welfare Department as per the letter read as Ist paper above has forwarded project proposal for getting Administrative Sanction for the following components for the scheme "IRTCBSF" (International Research and Training Centre for Below Sea Level Farming) for an amount of Rs.30 lakhs under the head of account 2415- 01-004-88 Plan. It is reported that in the annual plan 2025-26, an amount of Rs. 30.00 lakhs is set apart for the scheme under the Head of Account 2415-01-004-88-Plan.

SI no.	Particulars	Financial (In lakhs)
A	Technology Dissemination & On Farm Demonstrations	4.00
	Recurring expenses (Rent for Office premises, Electricity, Water charges, telephone,	

B	Vehicle/POL/ Hiring of Boats for cruises & Logistics, Salary/ Wages of Staff & other office expenses.	26.00
	Total	30.00

2. The working group meeting held on 19.05.2025 approved the project proposal.

3. Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to accord Administrative Sanction to the Director of Agriculture Development and Farmers' Welfare Department for releasing an amount of Rs.30 lakhs (Rupees Thirty Lakhs only) to International Research and Training Centre for Below Sea Level Farming, Kuttanad from the budget provision of Rs.30.00 lakh available in the Annual Plan 2025-26 for the scheme "IRTCBSF" under head of account 2415-01-004-88 Plan.

Other general conditions given below should be followed, wherever applicable:

- 1) All rules, formalities and procedures shall be strictly followed for the implementation of the scheme. The norms of financial propriety shall be adhered to.
- (2) The expenditure shall be met only from the provision available under the appropriate head of account.
- (3) The fund release will be based on actual requirement and the fund released should not be parked in banks.
- (4) Store Purchase Rules shall be strictly adhered to for all kinds of purchases.
- (5) Tender/e-Tender and other stipulated formalities will be followed wherever necessary.
- (6) Post creation and purchase of vehicles are not admissible under the

scheme.

(7) The Head of Departments shall monitor the implementation of the scheme and ensure that the implementation is as per the existing procedures, rules and regulations.

(8) The implementing agencies / Departments 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.

(9) The Director shall hold monitoring meetings to review the progress and send report to Government regarding the progress of implementation of the approved scheme.

(10) The Director of Agriculture / Director of Soil Survey & Soil Conservation Department shall sign an MoU with the concerned implementing agencies of the scheme before releasing the funds. It should also be ensured that the Utilization Certificate pertain to all schemes are submitted by the agencies in time.

(11) AIMS portal registration and Digital Soil Health Card is mandatory.

(12) Geo fencing & Geo tagging is mandatory. It shall be ensured in every scheme wherever beneficiaries exist.

(13) Plan review will be conducted on every month.

4. The Project will be implemented by the Director of IRTCBSF (International Research and Training Centre for Below Sea Level Farming) and the Additional Director of Agriculture (Planning) is the Project Manager and the project completion date is 31.03.2026.

(By order of the Governor)
K SURESHKUMAR
ADDITIONAL SECRETARY

To:

The Director of Agriculture Development and Farmers' Welfare
Department, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Director, IRTCBSF (International Research and Training Centre
for Below Sea Level Farming), Kuttanad

The Chief (Agriculture), State Planning Board, Pattom,
Thiruvananthapuram.

The District Treasury Officer, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Principal Accountant General (A&E/Audit), Kerala, Tvpm. Finance
Department.

Planning and Economic Affairs Department.

I & PR (Web & New Media) Department.

Agriculture (PB) Department

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