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AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

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No. 1429—AP-II-20/2014-Ag.—Whereas the State Government had formulated the State Agriculture Policy, 2013 vide Resolution No. 6833/Ag., dated the 22nd April 2013 for the well-being of the farmers by enhancing the pattern of assistance under different schemes including, *inter alia*, the pattern of assistance under the State Plan Scheme Jananidhi Funded under RIDF ;

And whereas the State Government have formulated another scheme namely, “Sustainable harnessing of groundwater in water deficit areas” also known as “Biju Krushak Vikash Yojana” (BKVY) wherein cluster approach has been adopted with maximum per beneficiary contribution of Rs. 20,000 for a Micro RLP and STW Project. In case of SC/ST beneficiaries belonging to BPL category, 50% of beneficiary’s contribution is provided by ST & SC Development Department and the balance is borne by the beneficiaries.

Now, therefore, in order to increase crop productivity and to augment farmers’ income as well as to attract more number of farmers under the Jananidhi Scheme, the Government after careful consideration, have been pleased to modify the existing Jananidhi Scheme by splitting it into Jananidhi-I (Individual) and Jananidhi-II (Cluster) as follows :—

(i) Jananidhi-I (Individual) :—It will provide benefits to the individual farmers. The Director, Agriculture and Food Production will continue to implement Jananidhi-I by availing funds from RIDF. The pattern of assistance to the beneficiaries for installation of individual owned Private Shallow Tube Well, Dug Well, Bore Well and River Lift/Surface Lift Project under Jananidhi-I Scheme as given in Annexure-I of State Agriculture Policy, 2013 shall remain unchanged. Further, in order to improve water use efficiency the micro irrigation system shall be provided to the interested farmers in order to have better convergence with National Mission on Micro Irrigation (NMMI).

(ii) Jananidhi-II (Cluster) :—It will provide benefit to the groups of farmers. The funds can be availed from RIDF for cluster Shallow Tube Wells (STWs) and cluster River Lift Projects (RLPs)

under the scheme. The norms of Water Resources Department shall be adopted for the projects to be taken up under Jalanidhi-II. The pattern of assistance under both BKVY and Jalanidhi-II shall be identical. The mode of implementation of Jalanidhi-II shall be as follows :—

- (a) The cluster STWs will be executed by the OLIC within the norms of Water Resources Department.
- (b) The cluster RLPs will be executed by OLIC and OAIC within the norms of Water Resources Department.
- (c) There shall be convergence of micro irrigation system under National Mission on Micro Irrigation (NMMI).
- (d) The OLIC and OAIC shall submit the detailed project reports to the Agriculture Department which will be placed before the HPC on RIDF for recommendation to NABARD. Funds will be released to OLIC and OAIC after sanction of the DPRs by NABARD.

Under both the streams of Jalanidhi applications shall be invited by the implementing agencies after according due publicity and mass awareness through electronic/print media.

Item No. 2 of Annexure-I of State Agriculture Policy, 2013 published vide Resolution No. 6833, dated the 22nd April 2013 shall stand modified as follows :—

2. Private Lift Irrigation Projects

(A) Jalanidhi-I (Individual)

Scheme	Pattern of Assistance
(i) Shallow Tube Well	50% of the project cost subject to a limit of Rs. 20,000.
(ii) Dug Well	75% of the project cost subject to a limit of Rs. 75,000.
(iii) Deep Bore Well	75% of the project cost subject to a limit of Rs. 50,000 (excluding cost of electrification). In addition 75% of Genset/electrification cost subject to a limit of Rs. 50,000 (for energisation).
(iv) River Lift/Surface Lift Project	75% of the project cost subject to a limit of Rs. 60,000.

NOTE : The micro irrigation system shall be provided to the interested farmers in convergence with NMMI.

(B) Jalanidhi-II (Cluster)

Scheme	Pattern of Assistance
(i) Cluster Shallow Tube Wells	The cluster STWs will be executed by the OLIC within the norms of Water Resources Department.
(ii) Cluster River Lift Projects	The cluster RLPs will be executed by the OLIC and OAIC within the norms of Water Resources Department.

NOTE : The micro irrigation system shall be provided in convergence with NMMI

The guidelines of Jalanidhi Scheme approved and communicated to the Director of Agriculture and Food Production, Odisha vide Letter No. 19593, dated the 20th November 2013 shall also stand modified accordingly.

ORDER—Ordered that the Notification may be published in the extraordinary issue of the *Odisha Gazette* and copies of same forwarded to all Department of Government/all Heads of Department/ Accountant General, Odisha.

By order of the Governor
RAJESH VERMA
Principal Secretary