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AGRICULTURE & FARMERS' EMPOWERMENT DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 30th November, 2019

No.22660-COL-18/2019/A& FE.—The State Cabinet in their 6th meeting held on 15th November, 2019 have approved the proposal for modification of “Farmers’ Welfare-Krushak Assistance for Livelihood and Income Augmentation (KALIA)” scheme.

Introduction The State had launched the Package for Farmers’ Welfare – Krushak Assistance for Livelihood and Income Augmentation (KALIA) scheme during December, 2018. Similarly, a Central Sector Scheme namely, "Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN)" was launched during February, 2019, wherein income support as assistance is provided to all eligible landholding farmers' families in the Country.

Modification of the scheme The operational guidelines of both the schemes were examined and it was decided that all the eligible farmers shall get assistance from PM-KISAN during 2019-20.

The beneficiaries who have not yet received financial assistance during 2018-19 under KALIA scheme, will also be provided assistance for Rabi 2018-19.

As all the eligible farmers shall get assistance from PM-KISAN from 2019-20, no assistance for Rabi, 2019 will be given under KALIA scheme to these farmers.

Keeping parity of both the schemes, the small farmers/ marginal farmers may be given with Rs. 5,000/- for 2019-20 and Rs. 4,000/- per year from 2020-21, so that they will get Rs. 10,000/- annually i.e. Rs. 6,000/- from PM-KISAN and Rs. 4,000/- from KALIA.

Applications from big/large farmers shall be collected through online as the big/large farmers are eligible to get assistance from PM-KISAN scheme i.e. Rs. 6,000/- annually.

The actual cultivators (share croppers) who are landless, if any, will continue to get assistance from KALIA scheme i.e. Rs. 10,000/- annually, since they are not considered under PM-KISAN.

Former and present holders of constitutional posts and former & present Ministers/ State Ministers and former/present Members of Lok Sabha/ Rajya Sabha/ State Legislative Assemblies/ State Legislative Councils, former and present Mayors of Municipal Corporations, former and present Chairpersons of District Panchayats and Professionals like Doctors, Engineers, Lawyers, Chartered Accountants, and Architects registered with Professional bodies and carrying out profession by undertaking practices shall also be excluded from KALIA scheme as per PM-KISAN scheme so that PM-KISAN and KALIA scheme will have common exclusion.

The farmers coming under Urban Local Bodies shall not be considered for both the schemes.

As the Cooperation Department has decided to provide interest free crop loan up to Rs. 1.00 lakh to all farmers, so the component i.e. "Interest free crop loans" under KALIA which had a provision to provide interest free crop loan up to Rs. 0.50 lakh to all farmers has been subsumed and need not be further considered under KALIA.

Since number of beneficiaries under KALIA has been increased so that no one will be left out, the component "Financial Assistance to Vulnerable Agricultural Households" is dropped from KALIA.

The scheme KALIA is gaining wide adaptability day by day among the farming community, for which the scheme shall be extended till the scheme PM-KISAN continues.

Financial
Implications

The additional funds required for 2019-20 & 2020-21 is Rs. 4587.584 crore & Rs. 3404.0224 crore respectively excluding the funds required for other components of KALIA scheme and administrative cost. Funds required after 2020-21 shall be calculated based on the actual eligible beneficiaries.

ORDER : Ordered that the notification be published in the Extraordinary issue of *Odisha Gazette*.

By Order of the Governor

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