

ABSTRACT

Agriculture - National Agriculture Development Programme (Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana – RKVY) - Implementation of project proposals approved by State Level Sanctioning Committee in the meeting held on 15.12.2007 - Detailed project proposal submitted by Tamil Nadu Agricultural University for implementation of e-Agriculture through TNAUAGRITTECH Portal in Tamil Nadu - Orders - issued.

AGRICULTURE (AP 1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.88

Dated:3.3.2008

Read:

1. G.O.Ms. No. 424, Agriculture (AP IV) Dated 23.10.2007.
2. From the Joint Secretary to Government of India, M.O.A, New Delhi D.O.No.2-12/2007-PC (PT) dated 06.11.2007.
3. From the Government of India, MOA, DOAC, Lr.No.8(1)/2007–Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) dated 23.11.2007.
4. From the Executive Director, TAWDEVA, Lr.No.3231/ TAWDEVA/ 2007 dated 28.01.2008.
5. From the Executive Director, TAWDEVA, Lr.No.3231/ TAWDEVA/NADP/2007 dated 7.2.2008.
6. From the Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Agriculture & Co-operation, New Delhi Letter No.1-2/2007 (RKVY) dated 1.2.2008

The Government of India have introduced a new Additional Central Assistance scheme to incentivise States to draw up plans for their agriculture sector more comprehensively, taking agro – climatic conditions, natural resource issues and technology into account, and integrating livestock, poultry and fisheries. The National Agriculture Development Programme (RKVY) aims at achieving 4% annual growth in agriculture sector during XI Plan period by ensuring holistic development of Agriculture and allied sectors.

2. The Government of India have allocated an amount of Rs. 185.31 crores under National Agriculture Development Programme (RKVY) to this state and released an amount of Rs. 150.70 crores for implementation of projects under Stream-I of National Agriculture Development Programme (RKVY) for Agriculture and allied sectors for the year 2007-2008. This is 100% grant by the Government of India for the programme.

3. The State Level Sanctioning Committee (SLSC) for National Agriculture Development Programme (RKVY) was constituted under the Chairmanship of Chief Secretary to sanction project proposal under Stream-I vide G.O. first read above as per the guidelines of RKVY. In the above said G.O. the TAWDEVA has also been nominated as State Nodal Agency.

4. The first meeting of SLSC was held on 15.12.2007 to consider and sanction the project proposals under Stream-I in respect of Agriculture and allied sectors as submitted by Executive Director, TAWDEVA, and the committee accorded approval for the proposals of Agriculture and allied sectors with its observations. In accordance with the observations of the State Level Sanctioning Committee, the TNAU has submitted its detailed projects reports through TAWDEVA for approval and the project proposal relates to implementation of e-Agriculture Service through TNAUAGRITECH Portal at a cost of Rs.631.20 lakhs. Under this scheme, it is proposed to link all the blocks, district Agricultural Extension hubs, Heads of line Departments and Secretariat with knowledge source centres of Tamil Nadu Agricultural University. The Tamil Nadu Agricultural University has proposed to establish e-connectivity in all the 60 centres of Tamil Nadu Agricultural University with all blocks, districts and Heads of line Departments and Video Conferencing at a cost of Rs.4.96 crores. The Department of Agriculture has proposed Rs.1.352 crores for purchase of 252 Computers and accessories at one per block and 40 Computers and accessories for 20 district offices and 8 Computers and accessories for Seed Certification Department. The SLSC observed that the programme of the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University may be integrated with common e-Service Centres and connectivity through TN-SWAN. Accordingly, the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University has proposed to use TN-SWAN Network wherever available till the connectivity to TNAU Centres facilitated by TNAU is achieved. The TNAU has sought approval for the Project proposal at a cost of Rs.631.20 lakhs.

5. The Government, after careful examination, accord approval for the detailed project proposal of the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University implementation of e-Agriculture Service through TNAUAGRITECH Portal at a cost of Rs.631.20 lakhs as indicated in the Annexure I and II to this order. Accordingly, they sanction funds to the implementing agencies viz., Department of Agriculture and Tamil Nadu Agricultural University as given below:

1. Department of Agriculture (Rupees One crore thirty five lakhs and twenty thousand only)	Rs.135.20 lakhs
2. Tamil Nadu Agricultural University (Rupees Four crores ninety six lakhs only)	Rs,496.00 lakhs
Total	Rs.631.20 lakhs

The amount sanctioned to Tamil Nadu Agricultural University is grants-in-aid for 2007-08 under this programme.

6. The expenditure sanctioned in para 5 above, shall be debited under the following head of account

(Rs. in Thousands)

1.	2401 00 Crop Husbandry 800 Other Expenditure Schemes in the Eleventh Five Year Plan III Centrally Sponsored SB National Agriculture Development Programme Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) Agriculture Department 76 Computer and Accessories 01 Purchase (DPC 2401 00 800 SB 7615)	13520
2.	2415 Agricultural Research and Education 01 Crop Husbandry 120 Assistance to other Institutions Schemes in the Eleventh Five Year Plan SA Grants Tamil Nadu Agricultural University Schemes under National Agriculture Development Programme Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) 09 Grants in aid 03 Grants for specific schemes (DPC 2415 01 120 SA 0931)	49600
	Total	----- 63120 -----

7. The Director of Agriculture is the estimating, reconciling and controlling authority for the above new sub-head of account. The Pay and Accounts of Officer / Treasury Officer concerned is requested to open the new sub-head of account in their accounts.

8. The expenditure sanctioned in para 5 above shall be constituted an item of New Service for which the approval of the Legislature will be obtained in due course. Pending approval of Legislature, the expenditure shall initially be met by an advance from the Contingency Fund of Tamil Nadu. The sanction of which will be made by Finance (BG-I) Department, separately based on application in the prescribed format from the Director of Agriculture along with the copy of the order. He is also instructed to send necessary explanatory notes to include the above expenditure in the Final supplementary estimates 2007-08 at the appropriate time without fail.

9. The duration of the project is one year from the date of issue of Government Order. The Project shall be implemented by Tamil Nadu Agricultural University and the Department of Agriculture. The Tamil Nadu Agricultural University shall be responsible for the technical aspects of the

Project and monitor the implementation of the Project. Under no circumstances, any deviation from the decision of SLSC shall be permitted.

10. TAWDEVA – the Nodal Agency, shall prescribe benchmarks for outcomes, milestones with time lines and monitor the outcomes to ensure that implementing agencies adhere to them.

11. The Executive Director, TAWDEVA, is requested to send the monthly progress report to Government of India, in the prescribed format by 10th of the subsequent month under intimation to this Government without fail.

12. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O. No.57/SS/PK/08, dated 27.02.2008 and ASL No.1920 (One thousand nine hundred and twenty only)

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

SURJIT K. CHAUDHARY,
Agricultural Production Commissioner and
Secretary to Government

To

The Commissioner of Agriculture, Chennai – 5.

The Commissioner of Horticulture and Plantation Crops, Chennai-5

The Chief Engineer, (Agricultural Engineering), Chennai-35

The Executive Director, TAWDEVA, Chennai – 32.

The Vice Chancellor, TNAU, Coimbatore.

Vice Chancellor, Tamil Nadu Veterinary and Animal Science University,
Chennai – 52.

Director of Animal Husbandry, Chennai - 6

Director of Fisheries, Chennai – 6

The Joint Director of Agriculture, Coimbatore

The Joint Secretary to Government of India, MOA, Dept, of Agriculture and
Co-operation, Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi – 110 001.

The Member-Secretary, State Planning Commission, Chennai – 5.

The Pay and Accounts officer, Chennai – 5 / Chennai – 35.

The Treasury Officer / Sub-Treasury Officer, Coimbatore

The Treasury Officer / Sub-Treasury Officer concerned

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The Principal Accountant General, Chennai – 35 / By Name

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ANNEXURE I

A. TNAUAGRITTECH Portal

Sl. No.	Particulars	Rs. lakhs
1	Media streaming, Web casting, product / blogging, Conference gateway / control, forecasting clusters, information portal facility including power backup with UPS/Generators	120.00
2	Workstations –25, Mobile workstations-5, PCs with Printers / Imaging systems	35.00
3	Software tools /tape/CD/DVD media per year	30.00
4	Domain Experts consultancy charges for transforming knowledge to information	20.00
5	Content programming consultancy services outsourced– technical scholars with domain expertise / software programming – @ Rs.1.8 lakhs /man year for 20 man yrs	36.00
6	20 MBPS server bandwidth charges per year	60.00
7	Video Conferencing MCU for connecting 60 centers	50.00
8	Operational and miscellaneous costs	25.00
B. Connectivity to 60 TNAU locations		
9	Workstations with PC, scanner, printer, webcam , UPS-60 @ 1.00	60.00
10	512 KBPS broadband with fixed IP per year*	60.00
	Total	496.00

ANNEXURE II

Purchase of Computers and accessories by the Department of Agriculture

(Rs. in lakhs)

S. No.	District	No. of computers per blocks	No. of computers per district	Total	Cost of one PC+one laser printer + one UPS + one set of table& chair
1	Kancheepuram	13	2	15	6.760
2	Thiruvallur	14	2	16	7.210
3	Cuddalore	13	2	15	6.760
4	Villupuram	21	2	23	10.365
5	Thiruvannamalai	17	2	19	8.562
6	Namakkal	15	2	17	7.661
7	Coimbatore	20	2	22	9.914
8	Tiruchirappali	14	2	16	7.210
9	Karur	8	2	10	4.506
10	Perambalur	10	2	12	5.408
11	Thanjavur	14	2	16	7.210
12	Thiruvarur	10	2	12	5.408
13	Nagapattinam	11	2	13	5.858
14	Madurai	13	2	15	6.760
15	Theni	8	2	10	4.506
16	Dindigul	13	2	15	6.760
17	Ramnad	11	2	13	5.858
18	Sivagangai	11	2	13	5.858
19	Kanyakumari	10	2	12	5.408
20	Ooty	6	2	8	3.605
	Director of Seed Certification			8	3.605
	Total (A)	252	40	300	135.192
					(Or) 135.20

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