



## **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 Watershed Development Agency for development of clusters of Horticulture crops / Bio-mass tree plantation on Dry lands (Punjai lands) by Production Groups – Sanctioned - Orders - issued.

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### AGRICULTURE (AP 1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.89

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

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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. 185.31crores under National Agricultural 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 TAWDEVA has submitted its detailed project for approval and the project proposal relates to development of clusters of Horticulture crops / Bio-mass tree plantation on Dry lands (Punjai lands) by Production Groups at a cost of Rs.469.90 lakhs. It has been stated in the Project proposal that the dry land farming occupies 44 per cent of the total cropped area, mostly cultivated by small and marginal farmers with poor infrastructure facilities and there is enough scope for development through cluster mode of approach. Under this scheme, Production Groups (Lift Irrigation Societies) are formed in a cluster of 50 acres and above of dry lands owned by small and marginal farmers and common infrastructure like Bore well, Micro Irrigation System will be developed and plantation of high income generating Horticulture crops will be planted wherever ground water is available and Bio-mass tree crops like Pongamia, Casuarina, Eucalyptus, Neem, Tamarind etc. will be planted where ground water is not available. The Guidelines and cost norms will be followed in accordance with the existing scheme G.Os: 1)G.O.Ms.No.241, Agriculture (WD 1) Department, dated 12.9.2006,2)G.O.Ms.No.319,Agriculture(WD 2) Department, dated 2.11.2006 and 3) G.O.Ms.No.464, Agriculture (WD 2) Department, dated 7.11.2007 and 10% of the cost will be borne by the beneficiaries in cash or kind including labour. The scheme will be implemented in a project mode by duly conducting reconnaissance survey, Geo-physical survey, soil test etc., through joint inspection by the field level officers of the allied Departments. Project Mode proposals will be prepared by the District Watershed Development Agencies and sanctioned by TAWDEVA. During 2007-08, the TAWDEVA has proposed to develop 35 Nos. of Horticulture / Bio-mass tree clusters with a financial outlay of Rs.521.00 lakhs (Rs.469.00 lakhs under NADP and Rs.51.10 lakhs – beneficiaries contribution).

5. The Government, after careful examination, accord approval for the detailed project proposal of the Tamil Nadu Watershed Development Agency for development of clusters of Horticulture crops / Bio-mass tree plantation on Dry lands (Punjai lands) by Production Groups at a cost of Rs.469.90 lakhs as indicated in the Annexure to this order. Accordingly, they sanction grants-in-aid

of Rs.469.90. lakhs (Rupees Four crores and sixty nine lakhs and ninety thousand only) to TAWDEVA for 2007-08 under this programme.

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

“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 - 09 Grants in aid – 03 Grants

for Specific schemes (DPC 2401 00 800 SB 0931).

Rs. 46990

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 amount sanctioned in para 5 above shall not be paid in cash but credited to the TAWDEVA PD Account by means of account payee cheque.

10. The duration of the project is one year from the date of issue of Government Order. The Project shall be implemented by Tamil Nadu Watershed Development Agency with the assistance of Tamil Nadu Agricultural University and the Department of Agricultural Engineering. Treatment of soil problems shall be assigned to the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University and Department of Agricultural Engineering. The Tamil Nadu Watershed Development Agency shall be responsible for monitoring the implementation of the Project. Under no circumstances, any deviation from the decision of SLSC shall be permitted.

11. The Executive Director, TAWDEVA, is requested to send the monthly progress report to Government of India, in the prescribed format by 10<sup>th</sup> 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. 66/SS/PK/08, dated 27.02.2008 and ASL No.1925 (One thousand nine hundred and twenty five).

(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 Principal Accountant General, Chennai – 18 / By Name

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/Forwarded /By Order/

SECTION OFFICER

**ANNEXURE****FINANCIAL OUTLAY**

( Rs. in lakhs )

Sl. No.	District	2007-08		Funding pattern	
		No.of clusters	Total Amount	90% (NADP)	10% (Contribution)
1	Coimbatore	3	43.80	39.42	4.38
2	Dharmapuri	5	73.00	65.70	7.30
3	Dindigul	4	58.40	52.56	5.84
4	Krishnagiri	4	58.40	52.56	5.84
5	Namakkal	4	58.40	52.56	5.84
6	Perambalur	4	58.40	52.56	5.84
7	Ramanathapuram	5	73.00	65.70	7.30
8	Salem	3	43.80	39.42	4.38
9	Villupuram	3	43.80	39.42	4.38
10	Reclamation of alkaline soil		10.00	10.00	-
	<b>Total</b>		<b>521.00</b>	<b>469.90</b>	<b>51.10</b>

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