



ABSTRACT

Agriculture – Cotton – Launching of Tamil Nadu Cotton Cultivation Mission during 2014-15 – Administrative and financial approval - sanctioned – Orders – Issued.

Agriculture (AP4) Department

திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு 2045, மார்ச்சு 29

G.O.(Ms.) No.11

Dated:13.01.2015

Read:

From the Director of Agriculture, Letter No.CDC.2/18793/ 2014, Dated 16.07.2014 and 21.10.2014.

ORDER:-

During Budget Speech, 2014-15, Hon'ble Minister for Finance on 13.02.2014 in the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly has made the following announcement:

"An ambitious Tamil Nadu Cotton Cultivation Mission will be launched in the State with an initial outlay of Rs.50.00 crore. This Mission will focus on higher productivity and production. Funds under the Cotton Technology Mission of the Government of India will also be dovetailed with the State Mission. It is proposed to bring at least 3.70 lakh acres under cotton crop by 2014-2015 and ultimately increase it to cover 6 lakh acres in the next five years through this Mission".

2. Based on the above announcement, the Director of Agriculture in his letters read above has sent proposals to Government for launching Tamil Nadu Cotton Cultivation Mission during 2014-15 by dovetailing funds from Government of India Schemes and State fund at an outlay of Rs.50.00 Crore.

3. The Director of Agriculture has informed that Cotton is one of the important commercial crops. As on date, more than 1900 mills are operating in Tamil Nadu with an annual consumption of 110 lakh bales as against the production level of around 4 lakh bales. There is a need to increase the cotton production to the maximum extent possible and narrow the gap between demand for cotton lint by the Tamil Nadu textile industry and supply available within the State.

4. The Director of Agriculture has stated that the South India Mills Association (SIMA) has proposed to take up contract farming with the most preferred extra long staple cotton varieties in 1000 hectares. This will be covered in five cotton growing districts viz., Salem, Namakkal, Erode, Villupuram and Virudhunagar. The inputs proposed in this programme will be supplied for 1000 Ha in the above five districts through SIMA and the end product will be procured according to the market rate by the member mills of SIMA.

5. The Director of Agriculture has further informed that the Mission will be implemented in all the districts except Kanchipuram, Tiruvallur, Karur, Pudukottai, Sivagangai and Kanyakumari. The Department of Agriculture, SIMA Cotton Development and Research Association, Coimbatore and Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore will be the implementing agencies in the Districts concerned. The fund proposed will be dovetailed from NMSA and NFSM – Commercial Crops as follows:-

Schemes	(Rs. in lakh)
NMSA – On Farm Water Management	3420.000
NFSM - Commercial Crops-Cotton	29.960
State fund	1550.040
Total	5000.000

6. The Government after careful examination, accord administrative approval for launching Tamil Nadu Cotton Cultivation Mission at a total cost of Rs.50.00 crore (Rupees fifty crore only) during 2014-15 as detailed in the Annexure to this order. The Government also accord sanction for a sum of Rs.1550.04 lakh (Rupees fifteen crore fifty lakh and four thousand only) and permit the Director of Agriculture to dovetail funds from National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA) and National Food Security Mission (NFSM) at the rate of Rs.3420.00 lakh and Rs.29.960 lakh, respectively.

7. The expenditure sanctioned in para 6 above shall be debited in to the following new Head of Account opened under Demand No.05-02:-

“2401-00-Crop Husbandry-108 Commercial Crops-Schemes in the twelfth five year plan-II State Plan-KZ Tamil Nadu Cotton Cultivation Mission-09 Grants-in-aid 03 Grants for Specific Schemes”.

(2401-00-108-KZ-0932)

8. The Director of Agriculture is the estimating, reconciling and controlling authority for the above sub-head of account. The pay and Accounts Officer/Treasury Officers concerned are requested to open the above new sub-head of account in their books.

9. The expenditure sanctioned in para 6 above shall constitute an item of "New Service" and the approval of the Legislature shall be obtained in due course. Pending approval of the Legislature, the expenditure shall initially be met by sanction of an advance from the Contingency Fund. Orders regarding this will be issued by Finance (BG-I) Department separately. The Director of Agriculture is requested to apply to Finance (BG-1) Department for this advance in the prescribed format in duplicate by enclosing copy of this sanction order. He is requested to send draft explanatory note to include this experience in the Supplementary Estimate for the year 2014-2015, without fail.

10. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O. No. 920/Agri./2015, dated 12.01.2015 and ASL No.2141 (Two Thousand one hundred and forty one).

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

RAJESH LAKHONI
Agricultural Production Commissioner
and Secretary to Government

To

The Director of Agriculture, Chennai-5.

The Principal Accountant General (AAD), Chennai-18.

The Principal Accountant General (G&SSA), Chennai-18.

The Principal Accountant General (E&RSA), Chennai-18.

The Accountant General, Chennai -18.

The Accountant General, Chennai-18 (by name)

The Accountant General (A&E), Chennai-18.

The Accountant General (Audit), Chennai-18.

The Residential Audit Officer, O/o. the Principal Accountant General (Social Sector Audit), Chennai-9.

The Pay and Accounts Officer, Chennai-8.

The Treasury Officers concerned.

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Annexure to G.O.(Ms.) No. 11, Agriculture (AP4) Department, Dated 13.01.2015
Technical Programme of Tamil Nadu Cotton Cultivation Mission – 2014-2015

S. No	Strategies	Unit.	Phy.	Unit Cost norms/Ha in Rs.	Subsidy pattern	Subsidy amount (Rs. per unit)	Finance (Rs. in lakh)	Source of fund
1	Area Expansion	Ha.	10000	0	Nil	0	0	
2	Promoting cotton cultivation through Integrated Crop Management practices in Irrigated areas							
a.	Precision Farming							
i	Drip and Fertigation system	Ha.	4000	90000	100% for SF/MF and 75% for OF	Rs.90000 for SF/MF -3200 Ha & Rs. 67500 for OF -800 ha.	3420.000	NMISA
ii	Distribution of Water Soluble fertilizer	Ha.	4000	17000	100% Subsidy	17000	680.000	State fund (Rs.840.00 lakh)
b.	Seed treatment with Trichoderma viride (4g/Kg for 15 Kg seed/Ha) and application of liquid biofertilizer	Ha.	4000	320	50% subsidy	160	6.400	
c.	Pre-emergence application of Pendimethalin 3.3 lit/ha	Ha.	4000	2000	50% subsidy	1000	40.000	
d.	Distribution of Micronutrient Mixture @ 12.5 Kg/Ha	Ha.	4000	880	50% subsidy	440	17.600	
e	Spraying growth regulator -Naphthalene Acetic Acid (NAA)	Ha.	4000	3000	50% back-ended subsidy	1500	60.000	
f	Topping of cotton	Ha.	4000	1000	50% back-ended subsidy	500	20.000	
g	Distribution of pheromone trap and lures	Ha.	4000	500	50% Subsidy	250	10.000	
h	Spraying of bio chemicals - Azadirachtin	Ha.	4000	300	50% Subsidy	150	6.000	

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3	Promoting cotton cultivation through Integrated Crop Management practices in rainfed areas							
a.	Summer Ploughing	Ha.	6000	3000	50% back -ended subsidy	1500	90.000	State fund (Rs.226.800 lakh)
b.	Seed treatment with Trichoderma viride and application of carrier based biofertilizer	Ha.	6000	180	50% subsidy	90	5.400	
c.	Pre-emergence application of Pendimethalin 3.3 lit/ha	Ha.	6000	2000	50% subsidy	1000	60.000	
d.	Intercropping in cotton with pulses	Ha.	6000	700	50% pulses seed cost for 10 Kg seed/Ha	350	21.000	
e	Distribution of Micronutrient Mixture @ 12.5 Kg/Ha	Ha.	6000	880	50% subsidy	440	26.400	
f	Distribution of pheromone traps and lures	Ha.	6000	500	50% subsidy amount	250	15.000	
g	Spraying of bio chemicals-Azadirachtin	Ha.	6000	300	50% subsidy amount for 1 lit/Ha	150	9.000	
4	Production and Distribution of quality varietal seed							
a.	Production of Foundation Seed	Quintal	1050	-	50% of the Procurement cost	Rs.50/Kg	52.500	State fund (Rs.80.250 lakh)
b.	Production of Certified Seed	Quintal	700	-	50% of the Procurement cost	Rs.20/Kg	14.000	
c.	Distribution of Certified Seed	Quintal	550	-	50% of the Sale price	Rs.25 /Kg	13.750	

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5	Distribution of machineries/equipments							
a.	Power weeder	Numbers	300	-	40% subsidy	25000	75.000	State Fund (Rs.168.00 lakh)
b.	Rotavator	Numbers	100	-	40% subsidy	60000 (SF/MF -80%) 50000 (OF -20%)	58.000	
c.	Distribution of power operated sprayers	Numbers	1000	-	50% subsidy	3500	35.000	
6	Efficient transfer of technology							
a.	Front line Demonstrations on Integrated crop Management	Ha.	400	7000	100%	7000	28.000	State fund Rs.21.00 lakh; NFSM- Commercial Crops- Rs.7 lakh
b.	Front line Demonstrations on Desi and ELS cotton	Ha.	70	8000	100%	8000	5.600	NFSM- Commercial Crops- Cotton Rs.22.960 lakh
c.	Front line Demonstrations on Inter cropping	Ha.	30	7000	100%	7000	2.060	
d.	Trials on High Density Planting System	Ha.	170	9000	100%	9000	15.300	
7	Contract farming	Ha.	1000 Ha.	Nil	Nil			
8	Development of compact genotypes suitable for High Density Planting system and mechanized harvest						198.640	State fund
9	Contingencies						15.350	
	Total						5000.000	

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