

F. No. 18-63/2015-MIDH (NHM)
Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture
Department of Agriculture & Cooperation
Horticulture Division

Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi
Dated the 21st August, 2015

To

1. Secretary, Agriculture/Horticulture, All the State Governments.
2. Mission Directors under MIDH, All the State Governments.

Subject: - Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) - Implementation of Interventions for saving Perennial Horticulture Crops on account of deficient rainfall as per IMD forecast of below average monsoon during 2015-16 - reg.

Sir,

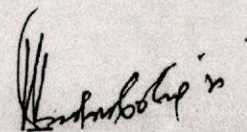
In continuation of this Department's letter No.18-25/2015-MIDH (NHM) dated 12/05/2015 conveying the administrative approval for implementation of MIDH during 2015-16, I am directed to convey administrative approval of Government of India for implementation of interventions to facilitate adoption of critical interventions and inputs for mitigating adverse impact of drought in perennial Horticulture Crops on account of deficient rainfall as per IMD forecast within MIDH with an additional outlay of ₹150.00 crore during 2015-16.

2. Assistance will be provided to States covered under National Horticulture Mission (NHM) and Horticulture Mission for North East and Himalayan States (HMNEH), based on approved Annual Action Plan to be submitted for the purpose. The Guidelines for preparing Annual Action Plan (AAP) is attached as **Annexure**. Assistance will be in the ratio of 50:50 by Central Government and State and Union Territories without legislature, the Central Assistance will be @ 100%.

3. The expenditure will be debited to the following Head of Accounts: -

		(₹ in crore)
MH - 3601	Grants-in-aid to State Government	
02	Grants for State Plan Schemes	
460	Crop Husbandry-Horticulture & Vegetable Crops	
04	Krishonnati Yojana - State Plan	
02	Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture	
040231	Grants-in-aid -General	102.33
789	Special Component Plan for Scheduled Castes	
02	Grants for State Plan Schemes	
63	Krishonnati Yojana - State Plan	
07	Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture	
630731	Grants-in-aid -General	21.87
796	Tribal Area Sub Plan	
02	Grants for State Plan Schemes	
64	Krishonnati Yojana - State Plan	
07	Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture	
640731	Grants-in-aid -General	10.80
	Total	135.00

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MH-2552	North Eastern Areas	
248	Crop Husbandry - Horticulture & Vegetable Crops	
10	Krishonnati Yojna	
01	Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (Centrally Sponsored Scheme)	
100131	Grants-in-aid - General	11.37
789	Special Component Plan for Scheduled Castes	
	Crop Husbandry-Horticulture & Vegetable Crops	
	Mission for Development of Horticulture (Centrally Sponsored Scheme)	
	Grants-in-aid - General	2.43
796	Tribal Area Sub Plan	
79	Krishonnati Yojna - State Plan	
05	Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (Centrally Sponsored Scheme)	
790531	Grants-in-aid - General	1.20
	Total	15.00

4. As per directives of Planning Commission, during the Financial Year 2015-16, all the State Horticulture Missions (SHMs), and implementing agencies implementing this scheme will ensure that -

- (i) 16.2% of Plan Allocation be earmarked for Scheduled Castes farmers/beneficiaries under Scheduled Caste Sub Plan (SCSP),
- (ii) 8% of Plan Allocation be earmarked for Scheduled Tribes farmers/beneficiaries under Tribal Sun Plan.
- (iii) 30% of Plan Allocation be earmarked for Women beneficiaries/farmers.

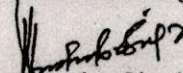
5. The Implementing Agencies may exceed these targets if SC/ST population in the respective states is more than the said percentages. The SHMs and Implementing Agencies should identify the SC/ST/Women beneficiaries first among other beneficiaries to achieve the prescribed targets and they should report the same in their monthly progress reports and post the data on the MIDH/NHM/HMNEH website.

6. Persons with Disabilities (PWD) applicants shall be accorded priority in the implementation of the Scheme.

7. The responsibility for ensuring flow of subsidy/benefits to the above targeted groups solely lies on the State Horticulture Missions and Implementing Agencies. However, progress in this regard will be monitored by DAC.

8. This Administrative approval issues under powers delegated to Ministries/Departments with the concurrence of Head of the Programme Division of this Department.

Yours faithfully,



(N. Sanatomba Singh)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

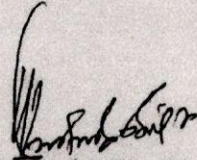
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Interventions for saving perennial horticulture crops under Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH)

Background

Horticulture crops are long-term income generating assets involving huge investments. Deficient and aberrant rainfall causes adverse impact on perennial horticulture crops including orchards. Appropriate input support measures (suitable INM/IPM measures, Life Saving irrigation etc.) will be necessary to rejuvenate water stressed horticulture crops which supports livelihood of farmers as well as significantly contributes to agriculture GDP.

Objective

To facilitate adoption of critical interventions and inputs for mitigating adverse impact of drought in perennial horticulture crops.

Coverage

The scheme is proposed to be implemented in all drought affected districts / blocks in the country which are covered under Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH), being implemented by Dept. of Agriculture & Cooperation.

Level of Assistance

Farmers in the drought affected districts/ blocks will be provided assistance @ Rs.3000/- per hectare as per cost norms for a maximum area of two ha per beneficiary for taking up appropriate combination of interventions.

Eligible interventions and rate of assistance

S.No.	Intervention	Approximate Cost(Rs./Ha)	Rate of assistance (Rs/ha)
1.	INM/IPM Measures, including application of foliar nutrients	4,000/-	2,000/- (Rs 1000 per hac by GOI and Rs 1000 per hac by State /UT Govt)
2.	Water retaining agents or Life saving irrigation	8,000/-	4,000/- (Rs 2000 per hac by GOI and Rs 2000 per hac by State /UT Govt)

GOI share of Rate of total assistance will be limited to Rs.3000/- per ha out of combination of above mentioned components.

In the event of declaration of drought by the District Administration, State Govt. will implement this scheme as a special intervention under MIDH.

It is estimated that about 5 lakh ha may have to be covered under the scheme during 2015-16. The total amount required for covering this area will be Rs.150 crores.