

COFFEE BOARD: BANGALORE

No. EXT/BAN/P&C CELL-26/2014-15/ 683

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CIRCULAR

Sub: Modalities for implementation of XII plan scheme – Clarifications – Reg.

Ref: 1) Review meeting on Extension and Development activities held on 24.02.2015 at Chikmagalur

2) Circular No. EXT/BAN/P&C CELL-26/2014-15/476 dated 23.12.2014

As per the discussions held during the review meeting on Extension and Development activities on 24.02,2015 at Chikmagalur, the competent authority has accorded approval for the clarification to the following points raised by the Extension Officers on the implementation modalities of XII plan scheme – "Integrated Coffee Development Project" circulated vide Circular cited under reference (2).

| Sl. No. | Points raised by the field units | Clarification |
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| 1. | Water Augmentation: Whether the unit cost of open well includes energizing with pump or not | The unit cost of Rs. 2400/- per feet is inclusive of the cost of pump set. Of which, 90% is for digging of open / ring well and 10% is for the pump set. |
| 2. | Quality Upgradation: Mechanical Dryer: Suggested to fix a minimum size of coffee holding as fixed in the case of Eco pulper (10 Ha) | Minimum size of coffee holding should be 4 Ha. to become eligible for claiming subsidy for mechanical dryer. |
| 3. | Combining Individual holdings of the family members. Few growers are requesting for creation of common infrastructure such as water tank, sprinkler unit, drying yard, godown and eco-pulpers at one convenient by combining individual holdings, of the family (Husband, wife & children) under common management. Whether we can consider for extending the benefit under ICDP. | If the family members jointly apply for subsidy under any of the components of Integrated Coffee Development Project, they will be considered as a single unit for all the components and their total land holdings will be reckoned for determining their eligibility. |

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| 4. | Joint ownership holdings: In the modalities it is mentioned that only joint holdings of the family (husband, wife and dependent children) are eligible for subsidy. Whereas few growers having single possession certificate / revenue document (other than the family members mentioned above) whether such holdings can be considered as joint holdings under ICDP activities. | If joint ownership holdings are considered under any component of ICDP, such owners will be considered as single unit for all the components under ICDP and their total land holdings will be reckoned for determining their eligibility. |
| 5. | Methodology for PV of vacancy filling – Joint Director (E) I/c, Hassan has requested to review the method of assessment of vacancy filled plants and suggested to adopt systematic random sampling method as done previously to avoid errors in the assessment of vacancy / gap filled plants. | Systematic random sampling method as was followed during the X plan shall be adopted while assessing the percentage of vacancy filled plants. |

The extension officers are advised to process the subsidy applications / claims accordingly.

Further, the field units shall note and ensure that the beneficiaries such as individual growers, SHG / Grower collectives availing subsidy from the Board under ICDP for creation of infrastructure / purchase of machinery are utilized on their own farm and are not sold or leased out. Any violation in this regard, the beneficiary will be liable for Legal Action. Coffee Board reserves the right to inspect the machinery at any time even after the settlement of subsidy claims. The subsidy sanctioning authority shall incorporate this clause in the subsidy sanction order.

To:

1) The Director of Research, CCRI, CRS

2) The Joint Director (Extn.), Hassan/Kalpetta/Guwahati/Visakhapatnam

3) The Deputy Directors (Extn.), Chikmagalur / Hassan / Madikeri / Virajpet / Coimbatore / Kalpetta / Jorhat / Silchar / Paderu

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- 5) The Deputy Director (A/cs.), HO, Bangalore
- The Asst. Secretary, Plan Fund A/cs, HO, Bangalore.