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GOVERNMENT OF GOA

Department of Agriculture

Directorate of Agriculture

Notification

3/5/EXT/25/2022-23/D.Agr/27

Read: Notification Nos:

- a) 3/5/EXT/25-Part/2010-11/D. Agri/45
dated 30-4-2015.

b) 3/5/EXT/25/2019-20/D. Agri/257
dated 18-07-2016.

Government of Goa is pleased to introduce the revised State Sector Scheme "SHETKARI ADHAR NIDHI" for grant of compensation to the farmers who suffer losses in agriculture due to various factors as mentioned below in supersession to the notifications referred above.

This revised scheme shall come in force with immediate effect and shall remain in force till it is withdrawn to provide assistance as compensation to the farmers who suffer losses in agriculture due to natural calamities.

The guidelines of the scheme are as under:

1. *Coverage of Shetkari Adhar Nidhi.*— The scheme would cover the damage to field crops, horticulture crops spices, medicinal plants, floriculture, losses to infrastructure like farm retaining wall, fencing, well, irrigation system and pipeline, pump and green houses. Similarly, losses to agriculture produce ready for sale, inputs required for agricultural production, agriculture machinery and equipments shall be covered under the scheme. Similarly, natural calamities that prevent the farmer from economic crop cultivation would also be covered under the scheme. The expenditure incurred for removal of debris caused due to siltation shall also be covered under the Shetkari Adhar Nidhi.

2. *Causes of damages.*— Damages that are caused due to following reasons will be considered for compensation.

- a) Floods
- b) Drought
- c) Cyclonic rains
- d) Landslide and siltation
- e) Epidemic of pest and diseases
- f) Unseasonal rains
- g) Accidental fire
- h) Lightening
- i) Cloud burst
- j) Earthquake
- k) Wild Animals

3. *Eligibility under Shetkari Adhar Nidhi.*— The farmer who has suffered losses shall be eligible for the benefit under Shetkari Adhar Nidhi Scheme. Farmer shall be the one, cultivating the land with valid Krishi Card. NGO's/Self Help Groups/Farmers Clubs/Institutes and Organizations engaged in agricultural activities with valid Krishi Card issued by the Government shall be covered under the scheme.

4. *Standard cost for evaluation of damage/losses under Shetkari Adhar Nidhi.*—

1. Crop Loss (Maximum Compensation)

(a) Crops like Paddy, Vegetables, Pulses, Flowers, Ragi (Nachni), including seasonal fruits like watermelons, tuber crops, turmeric etc. Rs. 40,000/- per ha. per season, per crop.

(b) *Banana:*

- (i) Maindoli Rs. 700/- per bearing plant for total loss.
- (ii) Saldatti and others: Rs. 500/- per bearing plant for total loss.
- (iii) Non bearing plant Rs. 200/- per plant for total loss.

(c) *Coconut Palms:*

- (i) Coconut palms upto 3 years Rs. 600/- per palm for total loss.
- (ii) Coconut palms from 3 years to 7 years Rs.1500/- per palm for total loss.
- (iii) Coconut palms yielding and above 7 years Rs. 5000/- per palm for total loss.

(d) *Cashew:*

- (i) Yielding tree: Rs. 1000/- per tree for total loss.
- (ii) Non yielding Cashew graft Rs. 200/- per grafts for total loss.

(e) *Arecanut:*

- (i) Fully grown yielding tree Rs. 1500/- per tree for total loss.
- (ii) Seedling: Rs. 300/- each for total loss.

(f) *Sugarcane:*

- (i) Ready to harvest i.e. nine months and above: Maximum compensation Rs. 60,000/-per ha.
- (ii) Four to nine months maximum compensation Rs. 30,000/- per ha.

(g) *Other fruit crops:*

- (i) *Pineapple:* Rs. 50/- per plant for total loss.

(ii) *Papaya (yielding)*: Rs. 300/- per plant for total loss.

(h) *Chickoo*:

(i) Small tree upto 10 years Rs. 750/- per tree for total loss.

(ii) Yielding tree Rs.1500/- per tree for total loss.

(i) *Mango*:

(i) Tree upto 10 years Rs. 2,000/- per tree for total loss.

(ii) Yielding tree above 10 years Rs. 8,000/- per tree for total loss.

(j) Any other crops like jackfruit, aonla, cocum, spices crops like nutmeg, cinnamon etc. or any other horticultural crops not specified above.

(i) Tree upto 10 years Rs. 600/- per plant for total loss.

(ii) Yielding tree above 10 years Rs. 1200/- per tree for total loss.

The compensation will be evaluated as per actual damages/actual evaluation done by the Concerned Zonal Agriculture Officer, limited to maximum compensation shown above.

Losses to Agriculture Produce and Agricultural Inputs

Compensation to Agriculture produce for crops mentioned at No. 4, except 4 (f) shall Rs. 40,000/- per ha. whereas case of 4 (f) will be Rs. 60,000/- per ha. Losses to the agricultural inputs like seed, fertilizer, pesticides etc. for causes mentioned at Sr. No. 2 shall be as per actual and limited to maximum Rs. 40,000/- per ha. on production of proof of purchase of inputs.

The compensation for agriculture produce shall be limited to one time per year, per season, per farmer.

Agriculture produce shall be considered as matured crop produce only.

5. *Limits for compensation under Shetkari Adhar Nidhi*.— (a) Maximum compensation per farmer will be limited to Rs. 1.60 lakhs

for maximum 4 (four) ha. or as per actual evaluation of the losses whichever is less. In case of sugarcane crop also the maximum assistance will be Rs. 1.60 lakhs @ Rs. 60,000/- per ha. or as per actual evaluation whichever is less.

(b) The standard loss for various crops is calculated in consideration of total crop loss. However, wherever partial loss of the crop occurs the compensation shall be restricted to actual loss, evaluated by the officer.

(c) The loss for seasonal crops shall be calculated area wise however for perennial crops the losses shall be calculated as per actual evaluation of losses given at point No. 4, standard cost of evaluation of damage/losses maximum Rs. 1.60 lakhs per farmer.

(d) In case of epidemic of disease/pest the Committee constituted as below will recommend to the Government the details about the type of pest and disease, type of crop, area affected in a village, extent of the damage, number of the farmers affected, area affected in a Taluka etc. Based on recommendation of the Committee, the same will be submitted to Government for decision in the matter.

Name of the Official and Designation	
Dy. Director of Agriculture (Crops & PP)	Chairman
Dy. Director of Agriculture (Ext)	Member Secretary
Zonal Agriculture Officer (Concerned)	Member

The committee if required may take the help of the Officials from ICAR-CCARI, Old Goa, CIPMC, Mormugoa or Scientists from KVK.

The losses to the seasonal crops due to pest and disease will be considered as per actual loss or maximum Rs 40,000 per ha. whichever is less.

(a) In case of cashew crop, if the tree dies due to pest and diseases, even if it not epidemic in nature the compensation will be

evaluated by the concerned Zonal Agriculture Officer as per standard cost of evaluation mentioned at item No. 4.

(b) The total compensation from all the cases against any or all the crops, produce and/or infrastructure shall not be more than Rs. 1.60 lakhs per farmer and on prorata basis for NGO's/Self Help Groups/Farmers Clubs/Institutes and Organizations engaged in agricultural activities etc.

(c) The compensation provided under Natural Calamity Relief Fund or any other relief funds of the Government including payment from Agriculture Insurance Company shall be deducted from the amount eligible and balance will be paid from the Shetkari Adhar Nidhi Scheme.

The valuation of losses for infrastructure is proposed to be calculated as below:

Sr. No.	Type of Agriculture Infrastructure/ Equipments/machinery	Valuation	Remarks
1	Losses of water Pumpsets, Pipe line, Drip system, Sprinkler system, all types of fence except stone wall fence	As per actual valuation by Agriculture Officers of Dept. of Agriculture	25% of the losses to standard cost as per scheme guidelines or evaluated cost whichever is less, maximum upto Rs. 1.60 lakhs per farmer
2	Agriculture machinery/equipments covered under Mechanization Scheme	As per actual valuation by Mechanical Cultivation Officers/Officers of Dept. of Agriculture	25% of the losses to standard cost as per scheme guidelines or evaluated cost whichever is less, maximum upto Rs. 1.60 lakhs per farmer
3	Collapse of Well, Bank/terraces/retaining wall and silt/Debris, Stone wall fence	As per actual valuation done by Officials from Soil Conservation Division (SCD) of Dept. of Agriculture.	25% of the losses to standard cost as per scheme guidelines or evaluated cost whichever is less, maximum upto Rs. 1.60 lakhs per farmer

6. *Procedure for assistance under Shetkari Adhar Nidhi Scheme.*— (a) The farmer shall apply to taluka level Zonal Agricultural Officer as early as possible or within 15 working days of the calamity giving details of estimated amount of loss in prescribed proforma appended at Annexure-I along with photograph of damages (representative one or two photographs per damage) with the applicant or the representative of the applicant.

(b) Inspection shall be done by Zonal Agricultural Officer or his representative immediately after receipt of application for assessment of actual losses and within 15 working days in the proforma appended at Annexure-II. The compensation case should be uploaded for sanction within 30 days. 10 working days relaxation is permissible in genuine cases.

(c) Krishi Card is mandatory for all cases to avail assistance under Shetkari Adhar Nidhi Scheme.

(d) Losses evaluated by Zonal Agriculture Officer shall be computed in terms of prescribed Standard Cost as at point No. 4 of this notification or as per actual whichever is less and shall be settled at Zonal Level as per sanction orders issued by District Agricultural Officer (North) and (South).

(e) Claims will be verified within the guidelines of Shetkari Adhar Nidhi Scheme at Zonal Agricultural Office and will be submitted to the Directorate of Accounts for disbursement.

(f) The claims which requires Government approval shall be submitted to Director of Agriculture within 30 days of the calamity.

7. *Financial requirement.*— The various programmes as indicated in the preceding paras shall be implemented subject to availability of funds under the scheme for general category, Scheduled Tribe farmers and Scheduled Caste farmers.

8. *Relaxation.*— The Government shall be empowered to relax any or all clauses or conditions of the scheme in genuine cases. However for release of financial assistance in such case will be considered only with approval of Finance (Exp.) Department.

9. *Interpretation.*— If any question arises regarding interpretation of any clause, word, expression of the scheme, the decision shall lie with the Government, which shall be final and binding on all concerned.

10. *Redressal of grievances and disputes.*— Grievances if any, arising out of the implementation of this scheme, shall be heard and decided by the Minister for Agriculture and the decision of the Minister for Agriculture in this regard shall be final and binding on all concerned.

This supersedes all the notifications issued for the State Sector Scheme of Shetkari Adhar Nidhi.

This issued with the concurrence of the Finance Department vide their U.O. No. 1400082600 dated 10-12-2021.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

Nevil Alphonso, Director of Agriculture & ex officio Jt. Secretary.

Tonca-Caranzalem, April, 2022.



Directorate of Agriculture
Krishi Bhavan
Tonca, Caranzalem-Goa

Annexure-I

Application for the Grant of Relief under Shetkari Adhar Nidhi

Name of applicant: _____

Father's name: _____

Age of applicant: _____

Address: _____

Krishi Card No.

Date of calamity: _____

Details of loss:

a) Crops: _____

b) Area: _____

c) Cause: _____

d) Value of material lost: _____

e) Type of loss (Siltation, Horticulture, Infrastructure etc.)

f) Land details:

i) Survey No.: _____

ii) Ward: _____

iii) Village: _____

iv) Taluka: _____

I, _____ resident of _____ ward of _____ village of _____ taluka hereby solemnly declare that the particulars mentioned are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

- It is stated that I have received an amount of Rs. _____ from natural calamity relief fund or _____ any other relief fund of the Government including payment from Insurance Company.
- I have not received any compensation either in cash or kind towards the above calamity from any Government agency or Insurance Company.

Place: _____

(Signature or thumb impression of applicant)

Date: _____

Name of applicant _____

To,
The Zonal Agricultural Officer,
_____ Taluka

Annexure-II

Valuation/Panchanama

I, _____ working as _____ in the office of the _____ hereby state that the damage claimed by _____ of _____ Village of _____ Taluka has been inspected by me on _____ alongwith _____ Taluka/Panchayat Secretaty/Gramsevak of the Village and evaluated at Rs. _____ under the guidelines of Shetkari Adhar Nidhi of the Directorate of Agriculture towards the crops loss/infrastructure loss/loss due to siltation etc. as below.

Sr. No.	Crop/Item of loss	Area/No. of plants	Valuation as per standard	Maximum amount of loss to be compensated (in Rs.)
1	Cereal Crops (Specify)			
2	Banana			
3	Coconut			
4	Cashew			
5	Arecanut			
6	Sugarcane			
7	Other fruit crops (Specify)			
8	Other seasonal crops (Specify)			
9	Infrastructure			

Valuated by:

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Designation: _____

I, _____ Zonal Agricultural Officer of _____ hereby state that Shri _____ is a Registered farmer under Krishi No. _____ and above claim for assistance under Shetkari Adhar Nidhi is recommended for Rs. _____.

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Designation: Zonal Agricultural Officer
_____ (Taluka)

Department of Education, Art & Culture
Directorate of Technical Education

Directorate of Art & Culture

Order

DTE/Estt/Writ Pet-Instructor/2021/497

The issue of enhancement of age of retirement of Workshop Instructors was under consideration of the Government for quite some time.

Now, Government has decided to enhance the age of retirement on superannuation of Workshop Instructors under the Common Cadre of Directorate of Technical Education, working at Goa College of Engineering and Government Polytechnics, as well as Workshop Instructors in aided Polytechnics under Directorate of Technical Education, from 60 to 62 years.

Accordingly, all the Workshop Instructors under the Directorate of Technical Education, as above, shall superannuate/retire from service upon attaining the age of 62 years.

This issues with the approval of the Government vide U.O. No. 917/F dated 05-05-2022.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

Dr. Vivek B. Kamat, Director of Technical Education & ex officio Addl. Secretary.

Porvorim, 23rd May, 2022.

Notification

DAC/COMPCELL/10-SCHEMES/2022-23/785

Sub: Amendment to the Scheme.

1. Read:- “Scheme to provide Special Financial Grants for organizing Cultural Events” published in Official Gazette Series I No. 22 dated 31-08-2006, Series I No.13 dated 28-06-2012, Series I No. 18 dated 31-07-2014, Series I No. 15 dated 09-07-2015, Series I No. 3 dated 21-04-2016 & Series I No. 2 dated 13-04-2017.

Whereas the Government has notified a “Scheme to provide Special Financial Grants for organizing Cultural Events” vide notification dated 25-08-2006 & 08-06-2012, and published in the Government Gazette Series I No. 22 dated 31-08-2006, Series I No. 13 dated 28-06-2012, Series I No. 18 dated 31-07-2014, Series I No. 15 dated 09-07-2015, Series I No. 3 dated 21-04-2016 & Series I No. 2 dated 13-04-2017.

And whereas Government desires to amend Clause 1 (ii) of the “Scheme to provide Special Financial Grants for organizing Cultural Events” in public interest.

Now therefore the Clause 1 (ii) of the “Scheme to provide Special Financial Grants for organizing Cultural Events” is amended to read as under:

“1 (ii) This scheme shall come into force from the date of its publication in the Official