

PROMOTIONAL SCHEMES FOR INDIAN AGRICULTURE



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(SPECIAL AGRICULTURE AND VILLAGE INDUSTRY SCHEME)

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| Objective | The objective of the scheme is to promote export of fruits, vegetables, flowers, minor forest produce, and their value added products, by incentivising exporters of such products. |
| Entitlement | <p>Exporters of such products shall be entitled for duty credit scrip equivalent to 5% of the FOB value of exports for each licencing year commencing from 1st April, 2004 . The scrip and the items imported against it would be freely transferable. However, for exports made w.e.f. 1.4.2008, Flowers, Fruits and Vegetables, shall be entitled to an additional duty credit scrip equivalent to 2.5% of FOB value of exports; over and above the 5% / 3.5% VKGUY entitlement.</p> <p>However, New additional products shall be entitled for Duty Credit Scrip on exports, w.e.f 1.4.2008, unless otherwise specified. Exports made by EOUs / BTPs who do not avail direct tax benefits/ exemption shall be eligible.</p> <p>Following exports shall not be taken into account for Duty Credit scrip entitlement.</p> <p>(a) (i) Export of imported goods covered under Para 2.35 of FTP; (ii) Exports through transshipment, meaning thereby that exports originating in third country but transshipped through India;</p> <p>(b) Deemed Exports;</p> <p>(c) Exports made by SEZ units; and</p> <p>(d) Items, which are restricted or prohibited for export under Schedule-2 of Export Policy in ITC (HS).</p> |

For exports during 2008-09, all Status Holders (having status recognition w.e.f 1.4.2008) exporting products covered under ITC HS Chapters 1 to 24, shall be incentivized with duty credit scrip equal to 10% of FOB value of agricultural exports (including benefits entitled under paragraph 3.8.2) provided that the total benefits for all status holders put together does not exceed Rs 100 Cr (i.e. Rs 50 Cr for each half year) shall be the licensing office for grant of the benefit to all status holders.

**Imports
allowed**

The following capital goods / equipments shall be permitted for import:-

- (i) Cold storage units including Controlled Atmosphere (CA) and Modified Atmosphere (MA) Stores, pre-cooling Units and mother storage for onions etc.;
- (ii) Pack Houses (including facilities for handling, grading, sorting and packaging etc.);
- (iii) Reefer Van / Containers; and
- (iv) Other Capital Goods / Equipments as may be notified in Appendix 37F. Imported capital goods/equipment shall be utilized for storage, packing etc. (as in (ii) above) and transportation of agricultural products (including agro-processed perishable products).

This additional benefit shall be subject to actual user condition and hence non-transferable.

Imports from a port other than the port of export shall be allowed under TRA facility as per the terms and conditions of the notification issued by Department of Revenue.

**Cenvat/
Drawback**

Additional customs duty/excise duty paid in cash or through debit under Vishesh Krishi Upaj Yojana shall be adjusted as CENVAT Credit or Duty Drawback as per rules framed by the Department of Revenue.

**Special
Provision**

Government reserves the right in public interest, to specify from time to time the export products which shall not be eligible for calculation of entitlement.

OTHER SCHEMES UNDER FTP

- (a) Funds shall be earmarked under ASIDE for development of Agri Export Zones (AEZ).
- (b) Capital goods imported under EPCG shall be permitted to be installed anywhere in AEZ.
- (c) Import of restricted items, such as panels, shall be allowed under various export promotion schemes.
- (d) Import of inputs such as pesticides shall be permitted under Advance Authorisation for agro exports.
- (e) New towns of export excellence with a threshold limit of Rs 250 crore shall be notified.
- (f) Certain specified flowers, fruits and vegetables will be entitled to a special duty credit scrip, in addition to the normal benefit under VKGUY.

The main strategies for this sector include establishing Agri.Export Zones, establishing a supply chain management and export certification programme for basmati rice, cold chain system and innovative packaging for floriculture exports, packhouses/value added centres for mangoes, market oriented approach for tea and shift in focus from bulk tea exports to value-added packaged tea exports, focus on export of value added forms of natural rubber and export of rubber wood, judicious mix of strategy relating to export of Arabica coffee vis-à-vis Robusta depending on market preference, promoting use of better handling techniques on fishing vessels and adoption of food safety and quality systems in the case of marine exports, etc.

EOU SCHEME SPECIFIC TO AGRICULTURE

- ❖ In the case of EOUs engaged in agriculture, animal husbandry, floriculture, horticulture, pisciculture, viticulture, poultry, sericulture and granite quarrying, only specified categories of goods mentioned in the relevant notification have been permitted to be imported duty-free.
- ❖ Further the waste of fish or crustaceans, mollusks or other aquatic invertebrates falling in chapter heading 05.01, castor oil cake manufactured from the indigenous castor oil seeds on indigenous plant and machinery falling under chapter heading 23.02, guar meal manufactured wholly from indigenous guar seeds falling under chapter heading 23.01 are fully exempt from payment of duty if manufactured by EOUs and cleared into DTA.
- ❖ The EOUs are allowed to sell surplus/unutilized goods, imported or procured duty free in DTA on payment of duty on the value at the time of import/procurement and at rates in force on the date of payment of such duty, in case the unit is unable for valid reasons to utilize the goods. The permission for such DTA sale is given by the jurisdictional Assistant Commissioner /Deputy Commissioner of Customs/ Central Excise as the case may be. Likewise, obsolete/surplus capital goods and spares can either be exported or disposed of in the DTA on payment of applicable duties. The benefit of depreciation, as applicable, is allowed in such cases. Duty is not charged if the goods are destroyed with the permission of Customs.
- ❖ Flowers, vegetables and agricultural products have a very short shelf life and are prone to malformation, injury, damage, infection etc. These products cannot be preserved for a longer period. There are circumstances (especially in case of floriculture units) when the units do not find the goods exportable/marketable for various reasons such as malformation, injury, damage, infection by pest and diseases etc. and the units have to resort to forced destruction of flowers, vegetables etc. In such cases, duty is not charged from the EOUs.

- ❖ At times, the flowers and floriculture products deposited in the warehouse of the airlines at the international airports for the purpose of exports are not exported owing to various reasons, such as, delay in flights, cancellation of flights etc. In such cases, the units are allowed to sell such flowers and floriculture products in DTA on payment of applicable duty. For such DTA sales, the unit must have DTA sale entitlement under the scheme. The unit is required to bring permission from the concerned Development Commissioner for such DTA sale and shall clear the goods on payment of duty assessed by the concerned Assistant Commissioner/ Deputy Commissioner in charge of the cargo. The DTA sale is allowed against documents as are used for DTA sale by EOUs in the manner as if the goods cleared from the unit itself.

| AGRICULTURAL EXPORT ZONES | |
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| Objective | In a fast changing international trade environment and with a view to providing remunerative returns to the farming community in a sustained manner, efforts will be made to provide improved access to the produce/ products of the Agriculture and Allied sectors in the international market. |
| Agri Export Zone | <p>State Governments may identify product specific Agri export zone for end to end development for export of specific products from a geographically contiguous area. State Government may evolve a comprehensive package of services provided by all State Government Agencies, State Agricultural Universities and all institutions and agencies of the Union Government for intensive delivery in these zones.</p> <p>Such services which would be managed and co-ordinated by State Government would include provision of pre/post harvest treatment and operations, plant protection, processing, packaging, storage and related research & development, etc. APEDA will supplement, within its schemes and provisions, efforts of State Governments for facilitating such exports.</p> |
| EPCG Scheme | Agriculture exporters shall be eligible for the facility of EPCG scheme as described in Chapter-6 of the Policy. The export obligation shall be determined in accordance with paragraph 6.2 of the Policy but the licence holder shall not be required to maintain the average level of exports as specified in sub paragraph 6.5(v) of the Policy. |

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| | Such exporter shall have the facility to move or to shift the capital goods within the zone provided he maintains accurate record of such movements. However such equipments shall not be sold or leased by the licence holder. This facility shall also be available to service providers, setting up common infrastructural facilities such as sorting, grading, polishing, packaging, cold storage, transport equipment/ refrigerated vans, vapour treatment heat treatment plant, X-ray screening facility etc. | | | |
| | The units setup in the notified Agri Export Zone shall be entitled to the benefits available under the scheme. A service provider in the Agri Export Zone may import equipment under the EPCG scheme for supplying services to agri exports. The export obligation may be offset by the service provider by earning foreign exchange in lieu of services rendered. | | | |
| Duty Exemption/ Remission Scheme | The agriculture exporter shall be entitled to the facility for import of inputs like fertilizers, pesticides, insecticides, packing material etc. under Advance Licence/DFRC/DEPB scheme as given in Chapter-7 of the Policy subject to the eligibility criteria and conditions enumerated under the scheme. | | | |
| Status | The agri exporter shall be eligible for recognition as Export House/Trading House/Star Trading House/ Super Star Trading House on achieving the performance level as mentioned below | | | |
| Category | Average FOB value during the preceding three licensing years, in Rupees | FOB value during the preceding licensing year, in Rupees | Average NFE earnings made during the preceding three licensing years, in Rupees | NFE earned during the preceding licensing year, in Rupees |
| (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
| EXPORT HOUSE | 4 crores | 6 crores | 3 crores | 5 crores |
| TRADING HOUSE | 20 crores | 30 crores | 15 crores | 25 crores |
| STAR TRADING HOUSE | 100 crores | 150 crores | 75 crores | 125 crores |
| SUPER STAR TRADING HOUSE | 300 crores | 450 crores | 225 crores | 375 crores |

In addition to the double weightage available under paragraph 12.7, the double weightage on FOB or NFE on the export of agriculture product for recognition as status holders shall be available.

Information Requirements

A database on agricultural products and markets including aspects of commercial intelligence relevant to exports will be established. Assistance shall be provided to the exporters, growers' organisations, trade association for conducting surveys/ feasibility studies, market studies etc.

EXPORT PROMOTION SCHEME OF MIN OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

- Food processing industry is one of the thrust areas identified for exports. Free trade zones (FTZ) and export processing zones (EPZ) have been set up with all infrastructure. Also, setting up of 100% Export oriented units (EOU) is encouraged in other areas. They may import free of duty all types of goods, including capital goods.
- Capital goods, including spares upto 20% of the CIF value of the Capital goods may be imported at a concessional rate of Customs duty subject to certain export obligations under the EPCG scheme. Export linked duty free imports are also allowed.
- Units in EPZ/FTZ and 100% Export oriented units can retain 50% of foreign exchange receipts in foreign currency accounts.
- 50% of the production of EPZ/FTZ and 100% EOU units is saleable in domestic tariff area.
- All profits from export sales are completely free from corporate taxes. Profits from such exports are also exempt from Minimum Alternate Tax (MAT).

SCHEMES OF MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

3. Scheme for Quality Assurance, Codex Standards and Research & Development

The scheme will have following components

- i) Total Quality Management (TQM)
- ii) **Promotion of Quality Assurance and Safety Concept**
- iii) Bar Coding
- iv) Strengthening of Codex Cell
- v) **Setting up of Quality Control Laboratory**
- vi) R&D in Processed Food Sector

a) Total Quality Management

Objectives

- To motivate the food processing industries for adoption of food safety and quality assurance mechanisms such as Total Quality Management (TQM) including ISO-9000, ISO14000, Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points (HACCP), Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP), Good Hygienic Practices (GHP)
- To prepare them to face the global competition in International trade in post WTO
- To enable adherence to astringent quality in hygiene norms
- To enhance product acceptance by overseas buyers
- To keep Indian industry technologically abreast of international best practices.

Eligibility of Pattern of Assistance

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| Central/State Government Organisations, IITs and Universities. | 50% of the total cost of the project towards implementation of Total Quality Management including ISO 9000, ISO 14000, HACCP, GMP and GHP in general areas and 75% in difficult areas. The absolute ceiling will remain Rs. 10.00 lakhs and Rs.15.00 lakhs respectively. | Grant-in-aid |
| All other Implementing Agencies | 33% subject to a maximum of Rs. 10.00 lakhs for General Areas and 50% to a maximum of Rs. 15.00 lakhs for Difficult Areas | Grant-in-aid |

b) Promotion of Quality Assurance/Safety concept

Objectives

- To promote the concept of quality assurance and their adoption
To create awareness among the food processing industries as well as consumers about the advantage of Safe and Quality foods through Generic advertisement, Workshop/Seminars etc.,
- To Train various stake holders engaged in food business and preparation of quality assurance training modules/Guides/Manuals, development of sector specific Codes of Practices such as GMP, GHP, GAP etc. from farm to fork and their implementation

Eligible and Pattern of Assistance

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| Central/State Government Organisations, IITs and Universities. | 50% of the cost of the project subject to maximum Rs.3.00 lakhs. | Grant-in-aid |
| All other Implementing Agencies | 33% subject to a maximum of Rs. 3 lakhs for General Areas and 50% subject to a maximum of Rs. 3 lakhs for Difficult Areas. | Grant-in-aid |
| When the Ministry sponsors such activities as mentioned in this component, there would be no ceiling to financial assistance and the amount to be decided on case to case basis with the approval of Competent Financial Authority. | | |

e) Setting Up/ Upgradation of Quality Control Laboratory

Objectives:

- To ensure compliance with National food standards.
- To assist industries in the food sector to develop and implement quality management systems such as ISO9000, HACCP etc
- To analyse the samples received from food processing industries, and other stakeholders.
- To impart training in the areas relating to quality improvement through own expertise.
- To provide on information on quality standards and requirements of various markets on quality of products.
- To reduce the time of analysis of samples by reducing transportation time of samples.

- To generate scientific data on levels of contaminants, pesticide residue etc.

Eligible and Pattern of Assistance

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| Central/State Government Organisations, IITs and Universities. | Assistance will be limited to the entire cost of capital equipment required for setting up of such laboratories. The facilities thus created will be common and may be availed of by other food processing units in and around area. | Grant-in-aid |
| All other Implementing Agencies | 33% of the cost of capital equipment required for setting up of such laboratories for General Areas and 50% for Difficult Areas. | Grant-in-aid |

b) Forward Integration

The objective of the component of forward integration is to increase capacity utilisation of Food Processing Units by ensuring regular market for their products by establishing linkages with the market. Assistance under the scheme would be available for market survey, test marketing, brand building etc.

Eligibility & Pattern of Assistance:

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| Industry Associations and Representative Bodies | For market survey, test marketing and brand promotion etc. financial assistance of 50% of the cost of the campaign subject to a maximum of Rs. 50 lakhs will be provided. | Grant |
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Exhibitions / Fairs

The Ministry in close association with APEDA, CFTRI, Industry Associations etc. would participate in National/International exhibitions/ fairs.

Objectives:- To disseminate information regarding food processing industry, familiarizing the existing and prospective entrepreneurs with modern techniques of production and packaging, development of market and popularization of products.

Pattern of assistance:- Expenditure incurred in this connection would cover publication of literature, holding of seminars, space rentals and other miscellaneous expenses for setting up of theme pavilion etc. The quantum of financial assistance would be decided depending upon the merits

of the proposal.

For participation in fairs/exhibitions abroad, assistance of 25% of the actual rental for the space taken by state governments/state government organisations will be provided subject to maximum of Rs. 5 Lakhs in a year

i) Performance Award

Objective :

Provide encouragement/recognition to outstanding achievements of units in the food processing sectors and for augmenting efficiency through healthy competitive spirit through annual awards.

Pattern of Assistance :

The National Productivity Council (NPC) has been the designated Agency for the purpose of implementation of the scheme component. Assistance in the form of grant-in-aid will be provided to them

b) Packaging Centre

Objectives:

Cost of packaging material and packaging technology is the largest component of the cost of packaged food. Lack of access to superior packaging technology, which enhances shelf life, protects food, is internationally acceptable and has no deleterious effect on environment and health has been an inhibiting factor in the growth of food processing industry. The objectives of this scheme are:

- (1) To promote new technologies of packaging which may help in enhancement of shelf life of food products;
- (2) The high cost of packaging equipments discourages processing. This scheme is expected to help bridge the gap between requirement of packaging equipments and its easy accessibility;
- (3) To highlight the importance of packaging as an area of investment in the food park as well as outside

Eligibility and Pattern of Assistance :

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| All Implementing Agencies | 25% of the total cost of plant and machinery and technical civil work in General Areas and 33.33% in Difficult Areas subject to maximum of Rs. 2 crores for establishing packaging centre independently and in food parks if the packaging centre is not already a part of the common facilities | Grant-in-aid |
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c) Modernised Abattoirs

Objectives :

1. Scientific and hygienic slaughter
2. Stunning causing least pain to the cattle
3. By-product utilization

Eligibility and pattern of assistance :

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| Local Bodies | 25% of the cost of plant and machinery and technical civil works in General Areas and 33.33% in Difficult Areas subject to a maximum of Rs. 4 crores for modernizing the existing abattoirs. | Grant-in-aid |
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d) Integrated Cold Chain Facilities

Objectives:

The rate of growth in production of perishable produce is roughly twice as much as general agriculture. Accordingly, to keep pace with the need for storage of perishable produce so that there is no wastage and at the same time raw material supply to food processing industries is not adversely hit in the off-season, enhanced cold storage capacity is essential with a view to-

- (1) Improve viability of existing cold storages,
- (2) Enhance total cold store capacity, both stationary and mobile.

Consequent upon National Horticulture Board's Capital Subsidy Scheme for cold storages, the Ministry's assistance is limited to the following types of cold storages:

- a) Cold storage for non-horticulture produce;
- b) Where the cold storage is an integral part of the processing unit or of the common facilities in food park;
- c) Special type of cold storage with Controlled Atmosphere/Modified Atmosphere facility.

Eligibility and Pattern of Assistance :

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| All Implementing agencies | 25% of the cost of plant and machinery and technical civil works in General Areas and 33.33% in Difficult Areas with a common ceiling of 75 Lakhs | Grant-in-aid |
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6. Scheme for Infrastructure Development

a) Food Park

Objective :

- (1) Infrastructure and common facilities for use by small and medium enterprises which enhance valued addition.
- (2) Common processing, packaging, marketing intelligence platform facilitated by large industry and utilised by small and medium industry and farmers;
- (3) Quality assurance through input of quality control and food analysis laboratory

MFPI would also share the expenditure with promoters of food parks in the ratio of 70 : 30 for preparation of DPRs for food park in Difficult Areas provided the same is prepared by CFTRI. The Ministry would also provide 100% assistance to CFTRI for imparting training to the promoters of food parks for which CFTRI will draw a detailed training schedule. The amount of assistance will be determined on case to case basis depending upon the duration and the number of trainees.

Note:

- : Minimum area of food parks should be 30 acres with the provision that a special relaxation for Difficult Areas including North Eastern States may be considered subject to overall project viability.
- : A minimum of 20 units should come up in the food park. A special relaxation for Difficult Areas including North Eastern States may be considered subject to overall project viability.

Eligibility and Pattern of Assistance :

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| All Implementing Agencies | 25% of the project cost in General Areas and 33.33% in Difficult Areas subject to a maximum of Rs.4 crores for provision of common facilities like cold storage, food testing and analysis laboratory, effluent treatment plant, common processing facilities, power, water supply, etc. | Grant-in- |
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How to Apply

The promoters/organizers are required to send their proposals in the prescribed formats which are provided in this document in the following pages. There are separate application formats for assistance under different schemes.

All proposals, except when those are made by PSUs, R&D institutes, Universities, IITs, and IIMs and other reputed State/National level institutes, would require to be recommended by State Nodal Agencies or Autonomous authorities. The individual proposals would merit consideration only if those are accompanied with the following documents (wherever applicable):

1. Application form, duly filled in (given in the booklet issued by the Ministry)
2. Detailed Project Report
3. **Bank/Financial Institution's Appraisal Report**
4. Bank/Financial Institution's Term Loan Sanction Letter
5. Certificate of Incorporation, Articles and Memorandum of Association/Constitution of the Organization/By-laws/Partnership Deed etc., of the organization.
6. Bio-data of the Promoters/Directors
7. **Previous experience, if any, in running** such a project or any other type of project
8. Quotations from the suppliers of plant & machinery and equipments etc., required for the project.
9. Blue Print of the factory building plan
10. Audited Statement of Accounts for the last three years.
11. Sources of raw materials required for the project
12. Marketing Strategy
13. **Recommendation** of the State Nodal Agency
14. Technology
15. Manufacturing Process
16. Implementation Schedule should indicate among other things – (i) date of acquiring land (ii) date of start of construction of building (iii) date of completion of building (iv) date for placing orders for plant & machinery (v) date of installation/erection (vi) date of trial production and (vii) date of commercial production.
17. No Objection Certificate from State Pollution Control Board
18. Manufacturing Permission.
19. Notorised English version of Land Document (in case it is in any of the regional languages).
20. Financial Benchmarks duly certified by the concerned Bank.
21. Value addition calculations
22. Item-wise and cost-wise details of technical civil works envisaged
23. Item-wise and cost-wise details of plant & machinery envisaged
24. Whether commercial production has commenced? If yes, the date of commencement of commercial production.
25. Any other information/document.

All applications may be sent to the following address

Ministry of Food Processing Industries

Panchsheel Bhawan, August Kranti Marg New Dehi-110049

Tel: 011-26492216, 26492174, 26493227 Fax: 011-26493228, 26493012

E mail : mofpi@hub.nic.in

Web site : <http://www.nic.in/mofpi>

The schemes APEDA

| A. Packaging Development | |
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| * Activity for development of packaging standards and design | 100% for APEDA internal scheme |
| *Up-gradation of already developed packing standards | |
| Assistance to exporters for use of packaging material as per standards and specifications developed or adopted by APEDA | Assistance to registered exporters of fresh fruits & vegetables, flowers and eggs @ 25% of the total cost of packaging material subject to a ceiling of Rs 5 lakh |
| B. Feasibility Studies, Surveys, Consultancy and Database Up-gradation | |
| Development and dissemination of market information with base on products, infrastructure etc. | 100% to be implemented by APEDA |
| Assistance for conducting feasibility studies etc. | 50% of the total cost subject to a ceiling of Rs 5.00 lakh per beneficiary in accordance with MDA/MAI guidelines |
| Assistance for conducting surveys, feasibility studies etc. for the common benefit of a number of exporters who may be the members of the Associations/Boards/Apex Bodies etc/belonging to a group being assisted/serviced by Govt./Semi-Government Organisation | Assistance will be in line with the guidelines of MDA Scheme |
| Export Promotion and Market Development | |
| Supply of material, samples, product literature, development of website, advertisement etc. for publicity and market promotion for fairs/events organized /sponsored by APEDA | 100% to be implemented by APEDA |
| Publicity and promotion through preparation of product literature, publicity material, advertisement, film etc. by APEDA | 100% to be implemented by APEDA |
| Brand publicity (Product specific Indian Brands) through advertisement etc. Brand promotion for those brands which are of Indian origin , | 25% of the total cost subject to a ceiling of Rs 50.00 lakh in a year on reimbursement basis |

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| advertisement in international print/electronic media, website development etc. | subject to auditing of the accounts. Not to be extended to an exporter beyond 3 consecutive years. Norms for providing assistance would be framed by APEDA |
| Export promotion by APEDA for undertaking activities like buyer-seller meet, product promotion, exchange of delegations, participation in exhibitions/fairs/events etc. | 100% of the cost for APEDA For exporters, assistance would be provided in the pattern of MDA guidelines |
| Generic publicity of Indian agricultural and processed products | 100% of the cost for APEDA For exporters, assistance would be provided on the pattern of MDA guidelines. |
| B) Assistance to exporters//producers/growers/Cooperative organization and federations for horticulture and floriculture sector for | |
| i) Mechanisation of harvest operation of the produce. | 25% of the cost subject to a ceiling of Rs.5.00 lakh per beneficiary |
| ii) Setting up of sheds for intermediate storage and grading / storage / cleaning operation of produce. | 25% of the cost of equipment subject to a ceiling of Rs.5.00 lakh per beneficiary |
| iii) a) Setting up of mechanized handling facilities including sorting, grading, washing, waxing, ripening, packaging & palletisation etc. | 25% of the cost of equipment subject to a ceiling of Rs.10.00 lakh per beneficiary |
| b) Setting up of both pre cooling facilities with proper handling system as well as cold storage for storing | 25% of the cost of equipment subject to a ceiling of Rs.10.00 lakh per beneficiary |
| c) Providing facilities for preshipment treatment such as fumigation, X-ray screening, hot water dip treatment, Water softening Plant | 25% of the cost of equipment subject to a ceiling of Rs.10.00 lakh per beneficiary |
| d) Setting up of integrated post harvest-handling system (pack houses / green houses with any two or more of the above | 25% of the cost subject to a ceiling of Rs.25.00 lakh per |

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| e) Setting up of vapor heat (treatment, electronic beam processing or irradiation facilities | 50% of the cost subject to a ceiling of Rs.25 lakh per beneficiary |
| f) Assistance for setting up of environment control system e.g. pollution control, effluent treatment etc | 25% of the cost subject to a ceiling of Rs.25 lakh per beneficiary |
| g) Setting up of specialised storage facilities such as high humidity cold storage deep freezers, controlled atmosphere (CA) or modified atmosphere (MA) storage etc. | 25% of the cost subject to a ceiling of Rs.10 lakh per beneficiary |
| Activities related to standardization and quality control such as preparation of quality assurance manuals, guidelines, documents, standards, upgradation and recognition of labs for export testing, certifying exporters as premium quality exporters etc. pesticide management program, national and international standardization activities | 100% for APEDA |
| Upgradation and recognition of labs for export testing | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 50% of the cost for private labs; 2. 100% for the Central Government labs; and 3. 75% for State <p>Govt /University labs The above is subject to a ceiling of Rs 50 lakh</p> |
| Assistance programme for international study tour sponsored or organized by APEDA and association of exporters | 100% in case of APEDA sponsored activities only |
| Assistance to recognized exporters associations of APEDA to support relevant research and development for export enhancement through R & D organizations in co-operative/private sector | Upto 50% of the total cost of the project subject to a ceiling of Rs 20 lakh |

❖ **Transport Assistance for Export of identified Floriculture; Fresh Fruits & Vegetables; Fresh Medicinal Plants & Culinary Herbs; Dairy, Meat & Poultry products and Processed Food products for XI Plan Period from 2007-2008 to 2011-2012.**

Govt. of India vide its Order No. 1/2/2007-EP(Agri IV) dated May 15, 2008, has approved the Scheme for the grant of Transport Assistance for Export of identified Horticulture, Processed Food & Poultry Products as contained in Point No. 26 and 28. The benefit will be available for export made with effect from 01/04/2007 to 31/3/2012. The procedure and terms and conditions for claiming transport assistance will be as under and valid for exports shipment during 1st April 2007 up to 31st March 2012.

- 1) Exporters should claim transport assistance on shipment basis. One single application should be made for shipments made during one fortnight i.e. 1st to 15th and 16th to end of the calendar month. However, in exceptional cases two applications may be made for one fortnight.
- 2) It is mandatory for an applicant to enter the application in the APEDA web site (<http://www.apeda.com/exporters>) giving all the information about the shipment as per the prescribed format placed on the web site. The User ID and Password for entering the application shall be the same as already provided by APEDA for online applications.
- 3) An Application Tracking Number (ATN) will be generated and an acknowledgement summary of shipment and claim for transport assistance would be produced by the Web Site on completion of successful entry of application. The Exporter should print these documents and attach as the covering sheet of the application (Annexure 2) along with documents as detailed in clause 8 & 30 and submit to the appropriate office. In the summary sheet of shipment and claim for transport assistance, the page numbers are to be filled in by the exporter according to the physical documents attached. The list of appropriate offices is given in Annexure-I.
- 4) All claims for shipment made within a fortnight should be bunched together and submitted as a single application and attach the summary of shipment along with declaration and acknowledgement generated online along with them.
- 5) The HS Codes for eligible items are provided at the APEDA website. However, if the product that has been exported does not appear in the list of eligible products and exporter feels that the same is eligible, clarification may be sought from APEDA. The online system would not allow the application to be filed.

Note: In case of mismatch between APEDA codes and the codes used by the importing countries, APEDA may consider on case to case basis, subject to its sole discretion for determining the relevant code, provided the same product description exists in all documents submitted to APEDA by the exporter.

- 6) The applications received shall be considered on first come first served basis, based on the date of physical receipt of the document and subject to availability of funds.

- 7) The date of physical receipt of documents along with the application as per Annexure II in the APEDA office will be the date of claim for consideration. The date of actual shipment as per airway bill/bill of lading would be deemed to be the date of shipment. (Flight / Vessel Date is actual Flight Date on Air Way Bill in case of Air & Shipped on Board Date on Bill of Lading in case of Sea.)

Non-submission of all the documents as per clause 8 & 29 (FOB shipments) shall result in non-acceptance of claim application by APEDA and shall be rejected.

Physical Documents Required and Related Requirements

- 8) Applications should be accompanied with the following documents duly stamped and signed by the respective authorities:
 - a) Custom Certified export promotion copy of the Shipping Bill (EP Copy) in original. To facilitate the exporters to avail of other export benefits APEDA shall accept self-certified copy of the shipping bill along with indemnity bond as per format at Annexure VIII
 - b) Custom certified Short Shipment Certificate in original, if any. (However self certified copy can be accepted in case Xerox copy of SB along with Indemnity bond)
 - c) Bank / Custom certified copy of the commercial Invoice in original.
 - d) Self certified photocopy of the original Airway Bill / Bill of Lading.
 - e) Self certified photocopy of the original Freight Forwarder Bill/Receipt.
 - f) Certificate of Realization of Foreign Exchange by Bank (BRC) in original in Form No. 1 of Appendix 22 of Handbook of Procedures of Ministry of Commerce & Industry (specimen at Annexure-III). Applicant to obtain Bank Realization Certificate (BRC) evidencing value in equivalent Indian Rupees from the Bank as well as equivalent value in US\$. In case the realization is not in US Dollar then a CA certificate certifying the equivalent value in US dollar may be provided.
9. Alterations in the documents, if any, should be authenticated by Airlines / Shipping Lines / Customs Authorities / Other Authorities as the case may be. Any correction not authenticated by the issuing authority shall be considered as discrepancy.
10. In case of eligible and non eligible items if exported in the same shipping bill, the onus of proof of eligible items shall lie with the exporters. The exporters will provide a Chartered Accountants certificate in the required proforma.
11. In case of sea shipments, the basic freight and in case of air shipments total freight would be considered for calculation of Transport Assistance.
12. The items exported along with their respective quantities should be individually mentioned on the invoice and the shipping bills along with HS Code.

13. The Shipping Bill / Bill of Lading / Airway Bill as well as the Invoice must clearly indicate the description of items, number of their packages / cartons along with the net and gross weight of each item separately.
14. Flight details / Vessel details, with date must be mentioned on the export promotion copy of the shipping bills as well as the Airway bills / Bill of Lading copies.
15. The freight invoice must clearly indicate various components like basic freight BAF, CAF etc. otherwise it would be returned with discrepancy note.

Other Applicable Conditions

16. Transport assistance shall be paid only to the exporter effecting shipments and not to any other party i.e. the exporter whose name appears on the documents as the exporting party.

Application Dates and Related Procedures

17. Applications will be received by APEDA by following PRESCRIBED DATES:

For all shipments effected from 1st July 2008 onwards, shall be submitted on or before the end of 180 days from the last date of concerned fortnight. No request whatsoever for extension would be accepted.

Penalties on Late Submission and Rejection

- 18) In case of delay in submission of applications beyond the above prescribed dates, the following penalties shall be imposed:

| | Period of Delay | Penalty cut in % of Assistance admissible |
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| a) | Applications received after prescribed date but within 30 days from the prescribed date | 5 % |
| b) | Applications received from 31 days to 60 days of the prescribed date. | 10 % |
| c) | Applications received from 61 days to 90 days of the prescribed date. | 20 % |
| d) | Applications received after 90 days of the prescribed date shall not be accepted. | Total Rejection |

- 19) In case of export oriented units (EOUs) submission TAS claims has been allowed upto 365 days as per the Foreign Trade Policy (Para 6.12, chapter – 6) instead of 180 days. In such cases there would be no relaxation for late submission with penalty as

applicable in normal cases. The conditions of first and second re-submissions would be same as provided in the guidelines.

20) In case of any discrepancy advice has been sent, the re-submission of application shall be done at the same office of APEDA where the application was filed:

- a) A maximum of two re-submissions are permissible.
- b) First re-submission - 60 days from the date of issue of discrepancy advice.
- c) Second re-submission - 30 days from the date of issue of second discrepancy advice.
- d) If discrepancies are not rectified within the stipulated time as per b) & c) above then the cases shall be closed automatically by the online software.

For every resubmission due to discrepancies found, an additional penalty of 1% on the amount of Assistance pertaining to that submission, shall be levied over and above the penalty for delayed submission.

Miscellaneous

21) The processing charges as decided by the Govt. would be applicable. Currently the charges are 5% of the total amount paid to exporter by APEDA as Transport Assistance.

22) In case of any disputes the matters relating to interpretation of any of these clauses will be referred to Ministry of Commerce, Govt. of India, whose decision shall be final and binding.

23) In the event of any false claims being lodged, intending/attempting/succeeding in drawing subsidy without entitlement, APEDA shall refer the case to the Govt. for necessary penal action.

24) The transport assistance shall be released only after verification of the documents as contained in this letter and after verification of details and relevant documents/as may be required by APEDA. Exporters are advised to refer to the checklist on the website before submitting the documents.

25) APEDA reserves the right to cross check the facts submitted by exporter, directly with customs, airlines, shipping lines, freight forwarders and any other institution / office as it deems fit.

Applicability for Transport Assistance

26) The norms for TA calculation are as follows:

| TA Norms for Exports by Air | |
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| For Fresh Cut Flowers/ Bouquets- fresh | Other Eligible Items (except Fresh Cut Flowers) |
| Least of: | Least of: |
| * 20% of FOB value | * 10% of FOB value |
| * 25% of freight | * 25% of freight |
| * Specific rate (Rs. per kg) | * Specific rate (Rs. per kg) |

| TA Norms for Exports by Sea | |
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| For eligible products exported in non-reefer containers | For eligible products exported in reefer containers |
| Least of: | Least of: |
| * 10% of FOB value | * 10% of FOB value |

| TA Norms for Exports by Sea | |
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| For eligible products exported in non-reefer containers | For eligible products exported in reefer containers |
| * 25% of freight | * 33% of freight (inclusive of Inland freight in reefer containers) (see note below) |
| * Specific rate (Rs. per kg) | * Specific rate (Rs. per kg) |
| | * 50% of ocean freight |

Note:

- Inland freight by Reefer container (from factory to port) will be included in the freight norm used for TA calculations subject to the following conditions:
- The reefer container is factory stuffed (i.e. inland movement from factory to port is by reefer container truck).
- Copies of the excise and customs bonded seal (for inland movement) are included with the TA claim.
- The total quantum of TA does not exceed 50% of the ocean freight.

Transport Assistance shall be payable on the basis of net weight for sea shipments and gross weight in case of air shipments.

27) Eligible Items and Permissible Destinations for Air / Sea Transport Assistance are listed below:

Air

| Eligible Products/ Item | Destinations | Minimum FOB (Rs./kg) |
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| Floriculture | | |
| Fresh Cut Flowers/ Bouquets – see Note (1) below | All Destinations except neighbouring countries | 70 |
| Live Plants and Bulbs | | 70 |
| Tissue Culture Plants | | 1400 |
| Fresh Fruits | | |
| Litchis | All Destinations except neighbouring countries | 12 |
| Pineapples | | 15 |
| Other Fresh Fruits (excluding Mangoes and Grapes) with an FOB value of Rs.25/kg and above | | 25 |
| Mangoes and Grapes | Non-traditional destinations only – see Note (2) below | 25 |
| Fresh Vegetables | | |
| Fresh Vegetables (including organically grown vegetables and mixed vegetables but excluding Nendran Bananas and Fresh Mushrooms) with a min FOB realization of Rs. 25/kg and above | All Destinations except neighbouring countries | 25 |

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| Fresh Mushrooms | | 30 |
| Banana (Nendran variety) – see Note (3) below | Middle East only | 15 |
| Poultry Products | | |
| Hatching Eggs (including SPF eggs) | Middle East and Africa | 80 |
| Fresh Culinary Herbs – see Note (4) below | All Destinations except neighbouring countries | 50 |
| Animal Products | | |
| Sheep Casings | All Destinations except neighbouring countries | 1000 |

Note: (1) Fresh cut flowers/ Bouquet of fresh flowers include all types of flowers including roses, gerbera, chrysanthemum, eryngium, hypericum, fragrant indigenous flowers (champa, chamei, mogra etc.), summer flowers, gossipium, lizianthus, carnations, marigold, tubercose, heliconias, anthuriums, lilies, cut foilages, potted plants, decorative floral items/ bouquets etc.

(2) Non-traditional destinations for Mangoes and Grapes are limited to the following: Americas (North and South), Russia and CIS countries, Japan and Australia and New Zealand

(3) Only for Nendran Variety of Bananas from Kerala that are exported from airports in Kerala or Tamil Nadu

(4) Only for culinary herbs exported in fresh form and under APEDA's list of Scheduled products.

By SEA

| Eligible Products/ Item | Destinations | Minimum FOB (Rs./ kg.) |
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| Fresh/ Chilled Fruits | | |
| Litchis | All Destinations except neighbouring countries. For Mangoes and Grapes non-traditional markets only – see Note (1) below | 12 |
| Pineapples | | 15 |
| Banana | | 15 |
| All Other Fresh/ Chilled Fruits(including mangoes and grapes) with a FOB value of Rs. 25/ Kg and above | | 25 |
| Fresh/ Chilled Vegetables (including organically grown vegetables and mixed vegetables) with a FOB value of Rs. 25/ Kg and above | All Destinations except neighbouring countries | 25 |
| Processed Vegetables | | |
| (1) All Dried and Preserved Vegetables (Acetic Acid/ Vinegar/ Brine) (including Onions in Acetic Acid and Potato Flakes/ Powder but excluding Pulses) | All Destinations except neighbouring countries | 30 |
| (2) Gherkins and Cucumbers (Prepared / preserved) | | 15 |

| Eligible Products/ Item | Destinations | Minimum FOB (Rs./ kg.) |
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| (3) Dehydrated Onion & Garlic (Flakes/Powder) | All Destinations except neighbouring countries and Europe | 50 |
| (4) Pickles/ Chutneys (Of Fruits or of Vegetables or mixture of Fruits and Vegetables) | All Destinations except neighbouring countries | 50 |
| (5) Mushrooms Prepared/ Preserved | All Destinations except neighbouring countries | 50 |
| (6) Ready to Eat/ Cook Curries/ Meals and Snack Foods in Consumer Packs | All Destinations except neighbouring countries | 50 |
| (7) All processed Vegetables in Frozen/ IQF form | All Destinations except neighbouring countries | 50 |
| Processed Fruits | | |
| (1) All Processed Fruit Preparations (Excluding squashes, juices and pulps) | All Destinations except neighbouring countries | 40 |
| (2) Fruit Squash | | 60 |
| (3) Fruit Juices | | 45 |
| (4) Fruit Pulps in Frozen/ Aseptic Form | | 50 |
| Poultry Products | | |
| Table Eggs | All Destinations except neighbouring countries | 40 |
| Eggs not in Shell (Dried/Cooked)/ Whole Egg Powder | | 170 |
| Egg Yolk Dried/ Egg Yolk Powder | | 170 |
| Frozen Poultry Meat and Processed Poultry Products | | 45 |
| Animal Products | | |
| Frozen (Boneless) Buffalo meat | West African Countries only | 70 |
| Dairy products | | |
| Milk powder (Whole & Skimmed) | All Destinations except neighbouring countries | 100 |
| Cheese (in all forms) including in reefer containers | | 150 |
| UHT milk | | 20 |
| Ice-creams (including frozen desserts) | | 70 |
| Floriculture | | |
| Fresh Cut Flowers – see Note (2) below | All Destinations except neighbouring countries | 70 |
| Dried Flowers | | 40 |
| Medicinal Plants - see Note (3) below | All Destinations except neighbouring countries | 40 |

Note:

- (1) Non-traditional destinations for Mangoes and Grapes are limited to the following: Americas (North and South), Russia and CIS countries, Japan and Australia and New Zealand.
- (2) Fresh cut flowers/ Bouquet of fresh flowers include all types of flowers including roses, gerbera, chrysanthemum, eryngium, hypericum, fragrant indigenous flowers (champa, chameli, mogra etc.), summer flowers, gossypium, lizianthus,

carnations, marigold, tuberoses, heliconias, anthuriums, lilies, cut foiliages, potted plants, decorative items/ exotic flowers, etc..

- (3) Only for Medicinal Plants falling under APEDA's list of Scheduled products.

28) In the Shipping bill, the quantity endorsed by Customs in the reverse of the shipping bill, if present, will be accepted as the quantity of the shipping bill.

29) If the Export has been done on FOB Basis with the Transport cost paid on Delivery by the Importer, then the Cost Paid for Transport shall be considered for Transport Assistance Calculations, ONLY on submission of the following documents:

- a. Custom Certified export promotion copy of the Shipping bill (EP copy) in original. (To facilitate the exporters to avail of other export benefits APEDA shall accept self-certified copy of the shipping bill along with indemnity bond as per format at Annexure- VIII)
- b. Custom certified Short Shipment Certificate in original, if any
- c. Bank/custom certified copy of the commercial invoice in original
- d. Self-certified copy of the original airway bill /bill of lading
- e. Certificate of realization of foreign exchange by bank (BRC) in original in form no. 1 of Appendix 22 of Handbook of Procedures of Foreign Trade Policy (Specimen at Annexure III). Applicant to obtain BRC evidencing value in equivalent Indian Rupees from the bank as well as in USD. In case the realization is not in USD then a CA certificate certifying the equivalent value in USD may be provided.
- f. Copy of invoice /bill raised on the importer by the shipping company /agent based in the importing country mentioning the no. of airway bill /bill of lading /container for the freight paid on the said export consignment duly attested/certified by the importer with seal.
- g. Certificate from Importer in the prescribed form as to the amount of freight paid by Importer against the invoice of the shipping company as mentioned above (Annexure-IX).
- h. Indemnity bond (on Rs. 100/- stamp paper duly notarized) from exporter undertaking to indemnify APEDA against any loss suffered on account of claim filed on basis of false information (Annexure-VIII -A)
- i. CA certificate certifying the items exported along with HS code and co-relating it with shipping bill / bill of lading /invoice.

Applicability for Sea Transport Assistance

30) Eligible Items and Permissible Destinations for Sea Transport Assistance are listed in Point No. 26.

31) The Freight charges for surface transportation within India, (as well as within the destination country) for the items eligible for transport assistance under this scheme will not be eligible for transport assistance except in case of Transportation by reefer

container. Transport Assistance would be provided only on Port-to-Port Destination basis.

Miscellaneous

32. APEDA will have right to recover from export or beneficiary any payment made in excess of the eligible claim of the exporter or beneficiary.

❖ GRANT OF RECOGNITION CERTIFICATE

FOR HORTICULTURE PRODUCE PACKHOUSES

With a view to carving out a niche for Indian horticulture produce and for ensuring an appropriate standard in its exports, it has been decided to adopt the procedure outlined in this document for grant of packhouse recognition certificate. One of the objectives of this procedure is to encourage exporters of horticultural produce to come up to the international level of export standards. Expected benefits of this scheme include infrastructure development, encouragement to backward linkages, export of good quality produce, promotion of international recognition and publicity, encouraging adoption of internationally acceptable standards and practices, upgradation of standards for product quality and food safety, and creation of a healthy, competitive environment among exporters.

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| 01 | PROCEDURE FOR APPLICATION FOR RECOGNITION | <p>1.1 All applications will be made to APEDA in Form-I.</p> <p>1.2 The application should be accompanied with packhouse infrastructure data in Form-II.</p> <p>1.3 The application duly completed may be submitted either at the Head Office of APEDA at New Delhi or at any of its regional offices, who will forward the same to the Head office.</p> <p>1.4 The application should be accompanied by a fee of Rs. 5000/- by way of demand draft in favour of APEDA.</p> <p>1.5 The following documents should be submitted along with the application :</p> <p>a) Names and addresses of owners / partners / directors / trustees etc. along with documentary evidence.</p> |
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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> b) Copy of permission/licence from the local municipal body to run the packhouse/cold rooms. c) Copy of the lease agreement, in case the packhouse is being run on lease basis. d) Lay out of the premises. e) Copy of pollution control clearance (waste disposal, environment), if any. f) List of machinery and equipment including reefer/insulated vehicles. g) Copy of quality and maintenance manuals and procedures. h) Specific evidence to depict trace-back and product recall procedures. i) Copy of HACCP certificate, if any, along with food safety manuals and procedures. j) Summary of water analysis records for one year. k) List of farmers, if any, with whom farming arrangements have been made (attach copies of contracts etc). l) List of farmers, if any, following Good Agricultural / Horticultural Practices with whom farming arrangements have been made (attach evidence). m) Health record of workers. n) Record of training provided to workers, and plan during the year. o) Code of Conduct duly signed in Form-III. p) Confidential reports of the financial |
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| | | <p>institutions/banks mentioning the status of the manufacturer/exporter.</p> <p>1.6 The application should be signed by the owner / partner / director / managing trustee duly authorized for the purpose and a documentary evidence/power of attorney/copy of the resolution must accompany the application.</p> <p>1.7 Applications for grant of recognition certification for horticulture produce packhouse may be made to APEDA on a voluntary basis.</p> |
| 02 | PACKHOUSE RECOGNITION PROCEDURE | <p>2.1 Preliminary scrutiny of the application will be carried out by APEDA as per the checklists given in Appendix - I and Appendix - II. In case the application is in order, the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Division of APEDA at its headquarters will forward a copy of the documentation to the Packhouse Recognition Committee, authorized for the purpose, for carrying out inspection of the packhouse.</p> <p>2.2 The packhouse recognition shall be subject to signing of a Code of Conduct by the applicant in the format given in Form-III.</p> <p>2.3 The Packhouse Recognition Committee constituted by APEDA shall carry out physical inspection of the packhouse and its manual and procedures.</p> <p>2.4 The evaluation of the application and physical inspection will be carried out on a first-come-first-served basis.</p> <p>2.5 Preference shall be given to the applications that have implemented systems like trace-back/product-recall mechanism, Good Agricultural/ Horticultural Practices in their supporting farms/plots.</p> <p>2.6 APEDA shall inform the exporter one week in advance of the date of inspection so that by such time the packhouse should be ready with requisite</p> |

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| | | <p>records, as required for verification by the Packhouse Recognition Committee.</p> <p>2.7 The Packhouse Recognition Committee shall furnish the inspection report with its recommendations to APEDA as per format given in Appendix-IV within one week of the physical inspection.</p> |
| 03 | ISSUE OF PACKHOUSE RECOGNITION CERTIFICATE | <p>3.1 In case the Recognition Committee is satisfied that the pack house conforms to the levels stated in the scheme, it will recommend to APEDA to issue the packhouse recognition certificate. The same shall be issued by APEDA in Form-IV. The certificate will bear a unique number allotted by APEDA.</p> <p>3.2 The Packhouse Recognition Certificate may be prominently displayed in the packhouse.</p> <p>3.3 Any change in the layout, design, capacity, documentation, title, etc., of the packhouse shall be got approved by APEDA within 60 days of such change.</p> <p>3.4 The date of validity of the Recognition Certificate shall be specified on the certificate. In case no specific date is mentioned, the certificate shall be deemed to be valid up to 31st December of the year succeeding that year in which it is issued.</p> <p>3.5 The packhouse shall be re-inspected by the Packhouse Recognition Committee for the purpose of renewal of the certificate. The re-inspection shall be carried out before expiry of validity of the certificate.</p> <p>3.6 In case, the post harvest processing is carried out in a leased packhouse, the certificate shall be issued to the manufacturer-exporter who is the lessee and not to the owner of the packhouse. In case, the lease agreement expires before expiry of the certificate, then the validity of the certificate will be limited to the date of expiry of the lease agreement. In case of extension of the lease agreement, the same certificate shall be renewed</p> |

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| | | <p>for such period as appropriate.</p> <p>3.7 Notwithstanding the fact that the certificate once issued shall continue to be in force till the date specified in the certificate, APEDA may institute surprise checks through its officers in order to ensure that the packhouse has maintained the standard as required for issue of the recognition of certificate.</p> <p>3.8 The exporter shall also comply with such other instructions as may, from time to time, be issued by APEDA.</p> |
| 04 | REFUSAL/CANCELLATION/SUSPENSION OF PACKHOUSE RECOGNITION CERTIFICATE | <p>4.1 Issue of certificate may be refused or, if issued, may be cancelled or suspended :</p> <p>a) If the packhouse does not conform to the prescribed standards.</p> <p>b) If there are adverse reports from the financial institutions / banks against any of the owners / directors / partners / trustees.</p> <p>c) If the packhouse does not conform to availability of sufficient potable water.</p> <p>d) If technically qualified personnel are not available to manage the packhouse.</p> <p>e) In case of un-satisfactory arrangements for disposal of rejected, rotten, waste of horticulture produce.</p> <p>f) In the absence of a valid licence from the local bodies.</p> <p>g) In case of not holding valid captive power generation sanction from the respective authority if the packhouse does not have state/private run power connection.</p> <p>h) In the case of leased plants, if the lease expires or terminates or if the packhouse is used for purpose other than post harvest processing of</p> |

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| | | <p>horticulture produce.</p> <p>4.2 In the overall interest of exports, from India, APEDA reserves the right, at any stage, to withdraw / cancel / suspend recognition given to a packhouse.</p> <p>4.3 Refusal of application for certificate or its cancellation/suspension, as the case may be, shall be communicated to the applicant.</p> |
| 05 | APPEAL AGAINST REFUSAL/SUSPENSION/CANCELLATION OF THE PACKHOUSE RECOGNITION CERTIFICATE | <p>5.1 Appeal against refusal/cancellation or certificates may be submitted to Chairman, APEDA within 30 days of the receipt of such refusal / suspension / cancellation.</p> <p>5.2 In case of cancellation of certificates, the original certificate of packhouse registration shall accompany the appeal.</p> <p>5.3 Chairman, APEDA will consider the application on merits and, if considered necessary, order re-inspection of the packhouse during which time the anomalies pointed out by the Committee should be rectified.</p> <p>5.4 If approved, a fresh certificate shall be issued on payment of a fee of Rs. 5000. The intervening period between the cancellation of the certificate and issue of fresh certificate shall be deemed to imply that the packhouse is not registered during this period.</p> |
| 06 | ISSUE OF DUPLICATE RECOGNITION CERTIFICATE IN CASE OF LOSS OR MULTILATION | <p>6.1 In case of loss or mutilation of any certificate, a duplicate certificate may be issued on payment of Rs.1000/-. The validity of the duplicate certificate shall be the same as that of the original.</p> |

❖ **BASMATI EXPORT DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION (BEDF)**

Basmati Export Development Foundation (BEDF) was conceptualized and created with the initiative and efforts of APEDA and Basmati Export Trade in the year 2002-03, as a registered society with the and efforts of APEDA and Basmati Export Trade in the year 2002-03, as a registered society with the objective to promote and protect the authentic Basmati Rice. The Basmati DNA Testing and Quality Testing Laboratories of BEDF, signify an important and historic land-mark in progress of Basmati trade in India, being a successful unique Public – Private – Partnership (PPP) venture in public domain – providing world class facilities “to the Trade”, and “for the Trade” under the aegis of APEDA. These BEDF laboratories and Basmati Research Farm have got significance of national importance, for prosperity of trade in Basmati rice, which is a proud heritage of India. All the stakeholders accrue benefit from activities of BEDF.

❖ **GRANT OF CERTIFICATE OF AGMARK GRADING FOR EXPORT OF ONION TO THE EUROPEAN UNION**

Directorate General of Foreign Trade notified that all fresh fruits and vegetables exported to the European Union may be inspected and certified by the Directorate of Marketing and Inspection (AGMARK), Ministry of Agriculture and that the inspection and certification would be voluntary in nature. Thus it became necessary to draw up a procedure for grant of Certificate for Agmark Grading (CAG) for export of onion to the EU countries that would also meet the objectives and be consistent with the Fruits and Vegetables Grading and Marking Rules, 2004 (G.S.R. No. 220 dt. 14th June 2004) and the Grade Designation and Quality of Onion provided in Schedule XIX to the Rules.

Objective

To establish a procedure for inspection of lots of onion for the purposes of grant of Certificate for Agmark Grading (CAG) and for shipment of the inspected lots for export to the European Union. The process would involve:

- (a) analysis to determine compliance with maximum residue levels (MRLs) for the identified pesticides,
- (b) Assessment of Grade Designation and Quality parameters of Onion.

Scope

- All onion farms and plots, which produce onion for export to the European Union, APEDA/AGMARK recognized pack houses, APEDA/AGMARK recognised laboratories, and their personnel as well as their pre-requisites will get covered under these procedures.
- European Union includes Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Germany, Greece, Finland, France, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia,

Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, The Netherlands and U.K.

Procedure for issue of Certificate of AGMARK Grading

- The procedure laid down by AGMARK for grant of Certificate of Authorisation and the Certificate of Agmark Grading.
- All APEDA/AGMARK recognised exporters of onion shall apply to a APEDA/AGMARK approved laboratories for drawl, inspection for Agmark grading and testing of onion for the residue levels of pesticides and heavy metals. The onion consignments shall be presented in lots for sampling and inspection.
- The inspection for Agmark grading will be carried out by the authorised representative of the laboratory with respect to the onion standards laid down in the Fruits and Vegetables Grading and Marking Rules, 2004 (G.S.R. No. 220 dt. 14th June 2004) and the Grade Designation and Quality of Onion provided in Schedule XIX to the Rules referred to in para 1.0 above and an inspection report shall be sent directly to the concerned office of Agmark.
- After drawl of the samples, the authorised representative of the nominated laboratory shall label each bag/package/lot of onion in the lot with the help of one time use plastic wire locking seal.
- After sampling, the bags/lot shall not be shifted/relocated by the exporter to another location without the prior consent of the concerned laboratory.
- The approved laboratories shall test onion for pesticide residues and heavy metals as per the method of analysis prescribed by AOAC or any other validated method.
- On the basis of and after examination of the inspection reports for Agmark grading and residue analysis issued by a nominated laboratory, the concerned AGMARK office shall issue the Certificate of Agmark Grading in the prescribed format and shall be signed by the authorised official of AGMARK.
- The CAG for export of onion to the EU will be issued only if the Certificate of Residue Analysis indicates that the pesticide residue levels in the sample is within the prescribed MRLs. Agmark certificate shall not be issued to the exporter for export of onion to the EU, the samples of which lot have failed the laboratory test.

- The stuffing/loading of the containers can be carried out after issue of the CAG.
- The loading/stuffing of lab. cleared onion in the container for shipment purposes shall be done under supervision of the concerned laboratory at the same premises where the sampling was carried out.
- If the lot is stuffed and shipped at the instance and risk of the exporter/shipper and the residue analysis report states that the residue levels are above the MRL values of the EU or the importing country in the EU, the exporter/shipper will re-call the lot at his own cost and consequences. APEDA, AGMARK or the concerned laboratory will not be liable for any consequences adversely affecting the exporter/shipper.

SCHEMES OF NHB

MARKET INFORMATION SERVICE FOR HORTICULTURE CROPS

1. Objectives

- The generate information on wholesales prices, arrivals and trends in various markets of the country for important fruits, vegetables & flowers, etc.
- To establish a nation-wide communication network for speedy collection and dissemination of market information data for its efficient and timely utilization.
- To develop a sound marketing strategy especially by making use of statistics generated by various Marketing Boards/ APMCs for optimizing returns to the producers.
- To analyze the trends of arrivals, prices and other related factors of the fruit and vegetable markets all over the country.
- **To collect and disseminate information on international prices prevailing in potential foreign markets.**
- To establish Web-sites and internet connection through efficient channels/systems for dissemination of national & international data.

2. Manner of Implementation

- At present, all the 33 Market Information Centres are collecting the information on prices & arrivals in their respective markets and communicating to the Central Coordinating Cell of NHB H.q. at Gurgaon which is compiling and analyzing the prevailing prices and arrivals of selected horticultural commodities of commercial importance.
- The information is received by E-mail and fax from the centers and is also disseminated back

through the same means of communications on the very same day for further dissemination through mass media.

- Presently all the commercial and seasonal fruits & vegetables are covered for dissemination. Effort shall be made to cover more & more bulk varieties of fruits, vegetables and flowers of particular areas.
- Besides collecting the data on prices & arrivals of fruits and vegetables, Board is also forecasting the crop production for the coming year and compare the present data of different centers.
- A CD ROM namely Horti. Biz India shall be prepared in a professional way for the benefit of farmers, traders, exporters, scientists and professional etc. which would include information about the high quality production, packaging, post-harvest management, cool chain, domestic and export markets etc.
- All valuable data collected at different NHB centers are published through monthly, weekly and daily bulletin regularly. It is proposed to publish horticulture data as a whole through publication of different database, commodity bulletin, leaflets, books, journals, newsletters etc.
- The data compiled and analyzed would be transmitted through Internet, NICNET or Web-sites or other systems established under this scheme.
- The international prices of fruits, vegetables and flowers are also collected from ITC Geneva and disseminated through publications.
- List of publication is at Annexure-8

Important Fruits and Vegetables Covered

| | |
|-----------|----------------|
| 1. Mango | 1. Potato |
| 2. Apple | 2. Onion |
| 3. Citrus | 3. Tomato |
| 4. Banana | 4. Cabbage |
| 5. Grapes | 5. Cauliflower |

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|----------------|--------------------|
| 6. Sapota | 6. Brinjal |
| 7. Pomegranate | 7. Peas |
| 8. Papaya | 8. Okra |
| 9. Litchi | 9. Ginger |
| 10. Ber | 10. Garlic |
| | 11. Bittergourd |
| | 12. Green Chillies |

AGMARK INVESTMENT SUBSIDY SCHEME

State Eligible for Investment Subsidy under Market Infrastructure Scheme

| | |
|-------------------------------|------------------|
| ▪ Andaman and Nicobar Islands | ▪ Kerala |
| ▪ Andhra Pradesh | ▪ Lakshadweep |
| ▪ Arunachal Pradesh | ▪ Maharashtra |
| ▪ Assam | ▪ Madhya Pradesh |
| ▪ Bihar | ▪ Manipur |
| ▪ Chandigarh UT | ▪ Nagaland |
| ▪ Chattisgarh | ▪ Orissa |
| ▪ Daman & Diu | ▪ Punjab |
| ▪ Dadra & Nagar Haveli | ▪ Rajasthan |
| ▪ Goa | ▪ Sikkim |
| ▪ Gujarat | ▪ Tamil Nadu |
| ▪ Himachal Pradesh | ▪ Tripura |
| ▪ Karnataka | |

Directorate of Marketing and inspection

Promotion of Cold Storage

The Directorate provides consultancy and technical services to prospective entrepreneurs in construction, maintenance and operation of cold storages. It also trains managers and cold storage operators for efficient operation and management of cold storages / cool stores at farm level. It provides technical support in preparation of master plan for cold storage requirements at micro/macro level. Conducting seminars & problem oriented studies related to cold stores is a regular feature of the Directorate. The DMI acts as a nodal agency to promote cold storages in the country by co-ordinating Research & Development in cold storage.

PROMOTIONAL SCHEMES FOR AGRICULTURE BY BANKS

1. ALLAHABAD BANK

Kisan Shakti Yojana Scheme for Farm Investment Credits and Personal/Domestic Loans

A new scheme designed & launched by the Bank on 24.04.2004 (Bank's 140th Establishment Day), envisages to provide farm investment credits as well as personal/domestic loans including repayment of debt to money lenders. The details are as under:

Eligibility :

All existing Kisan Credit Card holders and all other farmers who are eligible for Kisan Credit Cards.

Loan Limit :

The permissible loan limit will be 50% of the value of land OR 5 times of net Farm Income whichever is lower, LESS outstanding amount, if any, in Agril. Term Loan account(s) subject to maximum Rs.5.00 lacs. Maximum 50% of the loan limit may be utilised for personal/domestic purposes.

Issuance of Card :

After fixation of the loan limit, a "Kisan Credit – cum – Kisan Shakti Card" along with a loan pass book is issued to the borrowers.

Margin : No margin is required.

Rate of interest:

| | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Upto Rs.50,000/- | 8.50% (fixed) |
| Above Rs.50,000/- & upto Rs.2.00 lacs | 1% below PLR (i.e 10.00% p.a) |
| Above Rs.2.00lacs & upto Rs.5.00lacs | 0.25% below PLR (i.e 10.75% p.a) |

Security :

- For aggregate limit under Kisan Credit Card, Kisan Shakti Yojana & existing Agril. Term Loan upto Rs.50,000/-: Hypothecation of farm as well as household assets to be purchased out of the loan amount.
- For aggregate limit under Kisan Credit Card, Kisan Shakti Yojana & existing Agril. Term Loan above Rs.50,000/-:
- Hypothecation of farm as well as household assets to be purchased out of the loan amount.
- Creation of charge/Mortgage of lands.

Repayment : 7 years.

Mode of Disbursement :

Loan amount is credited to Savings Bank account of the borrower maintained with the financing branch. A maximum period of one year will be allowed to the borrowers to avail the sanctioned loan under the scheme.

Restoration of Term Loan limit:

The borrowers under the scheme are allowed to deposit surplus fund in the loan accounts and to draw funds within the sanctioned limit to meet their urgent requirements after adjustment of loan instalment(s) & interest due, if any, upto the date of drawing.

Special features of the scheme :

- Farmers are free to utilize the loan under the scheme at their own choice/ options/discretion.
- No margin is required.
- Granting of loan under the scheme is simple and hassle free.
- 50% of the loan amount may be utilized for personal/domestic purposes including repayment of debt to money lenders.
- Facility of restoration of Term Loan limit is available on advance repayment of loans.

2. ANDHRA BANK

Salient features of Kisan Samraksha

Eligibility:

Individual farmers for storing Agricultural produce, Entrepreneurs and groups of persons engaged in storing and marketing of Agricultural commodities will be financed under the scheme for establishment of Rural Godowns. Persons who are engaged in storing of Agricultural produce with an idea of hoarding will not be considered under the scheme. Loans under tie up arrangements with Food Corporation of India (FCI), State Ware Housing Corporations (SWCs) and reputed corporations with suitable tripartite agreements will also be considered under the scheme.

Location:

Rural areas as per the definition of NABARD are to be included under the scheme provided there is sufficient production and availability of potentiality. The structure shall be located on a well-drained site not liable to flooding or inundations and it shall be away from a place likely to be affected by seepage water.

Capacity :

Godowns with capacity upto a maximum of 10000 MT capacity will be financed under the scheme.

Loan Amount :

2/3 rd of the cost of estimation will be allowed as a loan amount under the scheme. The cost of estimation should not include land cost. If the project is eligible for subsidy, the margin amount can be reduced to 25% of project cost.

For the godowns of different capacities, the maximum permissible loan amounts are indicated below.

| Size of the Godown | Estimated Cost (Max) | Margin | Bank Loan |
|--------------------|----------------------|---------------|---------------|
| 200 MT | Rs.2.00 Lakhs | Rs.0.65 Lakhs | Rs.1.35 Lakhs |
| 500 MT | Rs.5.00 Lakhs | Rs.1.65 Lakhs | Rs.3.35 Lakhs |
| 750 MT | Rs.7.50 Lakhs | Rs.2.50 Lakhs | Rs.5.00 Lakhs |
| 1000 MT | Rs.10.00 Lakhs | Rs.3.35 Lakhs | Rs.6.65 Lakhs |

Repayment Schedule :

12 to 15 years, including grace period of 12 months. Normally , the construction of godown should be completed within 6 months of disbursement of bank loan. Repayments are to be made in quarterly instalments.

Rate of Interest :

Interest at the rate of PTLR will be charged for loans up to Rs.2.00 lakhs and at PTLR + 1% for loans above Rs.2.00 lakhs. For the loans under tie-up arrangement with CWC/SWC/FCI , interest at PTLR will be charged.

Security :

Primary security of the site and the godowns constructed there on. Collateral security is to be obtained atleast 100% of loan amount.

Insurance :

The godowns including the stock there in, are to be fully insured against all possible risks.

Scheme for Financing Purchase of Land for Agricultural Purpose***Objectives***

- To make the small and marginal holdings economically viable.
- To bring fallow lands and waste lands under cultivation
- To step up agricultural production and productivity
- To finance the share croppers/tenant farmers to purchase land to enable them to increase their income

Purpose : To provide term finance to small and marginal farmers to purchase agricultural/fallow/ waste land.

Eligibility :

- small and marginal farmers based on pre-development income.
- Share croppers/tenant farmers

Quantum of finance : Maximum of Rs.2,00,000/-

Margin : 20% of the project cost

Repayment : In 7-10 years in half yearly/yearly installments

Security :

- Mortgage of land purchased out of the Bank loan.
- Loans above Rs.30,000/-, co-obligation/third party guarantee is to be obtained

Andhra Bank Kisan Green Card**The Scheme :**

The scheme will be referred to as the ' Scheme to cover term loans for agriculture & allied activities under Pattabhi Agri Card' and will be termed as ' Andhra Bank Kisan Green Card.'

Objectives :

The scheme aims at providing adequate and timely credit for the comprehensive credit requirements of the farmers under single window with flexible and simplified procedures. The schemes aims to provide the farmers both Short term as well as Medium term loan requirements and a reasonable component of consumption needs.

Loan eligibility :

Individual farmer beneficiary availing PAC facility with our bank having satisfactory track record for a period of three years. Only owner cultivators are eligible for loans.

Nature of financial accommodation :

The credit facility extended under the scheme will be in the nature of term loan for Agriculture/ Allied activity loans and revolving credit for short term loans & consumption credit.

Quantum of limit :

- The limit may be fixed based on value of the landed property owned by the beneficiary. For valuation of the land, our usual guidelines for valuing agricultural lands will be adopted.
- 50% of the valuation so arrived will be fixed as Green Card limit and this will include the limit sanctioned under PAC.
- The minimum card limit is Rs.25, 000 and the maximum Rs.5.00 lakhs.
- The quantum of loan will be fixed based on crop production as well as working capital for agriculture and allied activities. Within the overall credit limit sanctioned, the farmer is free to choose his own purpose like purchase of agricultural implements, land development, purchase of cart & bullocks, dairy animals, sheep etc, repair of farm machinery or any other need including domestic needs like sickness, children's education and family functions.

- The total limit would have a relationship with the projected net earnings and the repaying capacity of the borrower.

Validity period of the card : The card limit is valid for a period of one year and can be renewed year after year. No documentation is required for subsequent years except the renewal letter. However, fresh documents are to be obtained at the end of third year. Default in repayment of any of the installments / out standings will render the card holder ineligible for further withdrawals.

Operational procedure : The farmer should advise the branch manager of the purpose of drawl and the approximate cost thereof less a minimum margin of 15%. Drawls for consumption credit should not exceed 30% of the limit sanctioned. Drawls can be made in installments as and when required. A separate account will be opened for each purpose and a separate repayment programme drawn up in consultation with the farmer.

A farmer whose application is approved will be issued an identity card-cum-pass book with photo and other relevant details. He can take the required amount at different intervals by opening different accounts subject to a maximum of five accounts outstanding at any point of time. There will be no need to separate documentation and other formalities for these different accounts.

Discretionary powers : The discretion for sanction of Kisan Card facility and sanction of investment credit under the facility is vested with the branches/ controlling offices as per discretionary powers in force for sanction of agricultural loans.

Rate of interest : As applicable to Agricultural advances. Each facility has to be treated as a separate account and interest charged accordingly.

Registers to be maintained : A separate register suitably designed for noting down the details of Green Cards issued and loans sanctioned under the scheme will be maintained.

Classification of loans : Loans given are to be classified according to the purpose for which loans are allowed.

Insurance coverage :

- Coverage under Personal Accident Insurance Scheme (PAIS)
- Optional Rs. 1,00,000 accidental insurance coverage available to the Agri card scheme under ICD scheme
- Efforts will be made to provide Life Insurance Coverage of Rs. 1.00 lack by working out arrangements with LIC.

Prudential norms :

Prudential norms will be applicable as per RBI stipulations. Impairment of any loan facility is automatically detected Automatic stoppage of withdrawal under different loan facilities even if one of the loan facilities is impaired.

Repayment period :

Short term credit / crop loans as well as working capital for agriculture and allied activities would continue to be provided as revolving cash credit, repayable on or before 30th of June every year. The term loan component will be repayable depending on the type of activity/ investment, as per existing guidelines.

Farm Produce Marketing Loan

To provide finance to farmer against pledge of receipt issued by state, central govt. ware houses as well as receipt issued by owners of private regd. Warehouse, godown and cold storages.

Objective :

- To provide liquidity to the farmers.
- To enable farmers to hold on their produce during the period of bumper crop harvest when market price are ruling at the lowest.
- To facilitate agriculturist to realize remunerative price by selling their farm produce during off- season when market is ruling high.

Quantum of loan :

- The maximum quantum of loan is Rs 5 lac with a margin of 15 to 40%.
- Margin depend upon the volatility of price of agriculture produce.
- Valuation of the farm produce should be decided on the basis of market price or control price (if declared) which ever is lower.

Eligibility :

Farmer intending to avail farm produce marketing loan should be a farmer and farm produce to be stored must be the produce of his own farm.

Nature Of Facility : Demand loan

Repayment Schedule : Repayment period not exceeding 12 months.

Irrigation Potential

Agriculture being the back bone of the Indian Economy, Bank of Baroda has contributed significantly in accelerating the pace of rural development by providing finance to farmer. Bank provide finance to enhance irrigation potentials of farmers.

The mode of finance covers activities such as construction of surface well, deepening, renovation of existing wells, purchase of oil engine/electric motor and pump set, construction of shallow and deep tube wells, leveling of land for irrigation, construction of bandharas , sprinkler irrigation, drip irrigation and boring of well etc.

Eligibility :

Literate and illiterate farmers engaged in cultivation of crop as owner of land, cultivators, permanent tenants or leaseholders (for reasonably long period) or share croppers.

Nature Of Facility : Term loan

Repayment Schedule :Repayment period depend upon purpose of investment and economic life of the asset, maximum 9 years.

Dealers/Distributors/Traders of Agriculture Inputs/Livestock Inputs

Agriculture being the backbone of the Indian Economy, Bank of Baroda has contributed significantly in accelerating the pace of rural development by providing finance to farmer. Bank also finance to dealers engaged in distribution of agriculture inputs.

The mode of finance covers activities of distribution of agricultural inputs such as seeds, fertilizers, insecticides, cattle /poultry feed, fishing net, sprinkler/drip irrigation machinery, spare parts of oil engine/tractor/fishing boats, tools required for poultry/horticulture etc.

Eligibility :

Traders, firm or company or any institution or cooperative society engaged in distribution of agriculture inputs is eligible under this scheme to the extent of their credit needs.

Nature Of Facility : Cash credit/BD/BP/LC/Guarantee etc

Repayment Schedule : 12 month annual review.

Financing Agencies Providing Custom Services To Farmers

Agriculture being the backbone of the Indian Economy, Bank of Baroda has contributed significantly in accelerating the pace of rural development by providing finance to farmer. Bank also finance to Firms, individuals providing custom services to farmers.

The mode of finance covers activities of for purchase of tractor, bulldozer, fixed wing aircrafts and helicopter with accessories for aerial spraying, drill rig for boring wells, drilling tube wells, equipment for construction of wells, lift irrigation, purchase of combine harvester, thresher for hiring on custom basis, construction of godown, warehouse to provide storage facility on rental basis, purchase of truck for transporting agriculture produces to farmer on hiring basis, acquiring milk tankers for transporting milk, establishing curing barn for tobacco, working capital finance to organization/ institution providing such services etc.

Eligibility :

All individuals, entrepreneurs, organizations, institutions corporations such as agro industries corporations, market yard or authorized licensee in market yard, warehouse panchayats and agro service centers who are capable of carrying out such activities and have viable schemes for providing custom services to farmers.

Nature Of Facility :

Term loan for capital expenditures & Cash credit for working capital requirements.

Repayment Schedule :

12 month for cash credit and monthly/qtly/half yearly and annual installments for term loan maximum 7 years.

Development of Horticulture

Agriculture being the backbone of the Indian Economy, Bank of Baroda has contributed significantly in accelerating the pace of rural development by providing finance to farmer. Bank also finance to farmers for establishing new or for maintaining old orchards.

The mode of finance covers activities of establishing new or maintaining existing orchards, gardens, plantations and nurseries. All capital cost for development of horticulture and maintenance costs of plants, seedlings, grafts, fertilizer, insecticides, pesticides, wages salaries etc is financed.

Eligibility :

All persons engaged in raising fruit gardens, plantations and nursery crops as owners of land or permanent tenants or as lease holders (for reasonably long period).

Nature Of Facility :

Term loan for capital expenditures & Cash credit for working capital requirements.

Repayment Schedule: Maximum period of 5 to 7 years excluding gestation period when only interest should be recovered.

Subsidy : National Horticulture Board also provide Back Ended subsidy from time to time by formulating special schemes.

Land Development

Agriculture being the backbone of the Indian Economy, Bank of Baroda has contributed significantly in accelerating the pace of rural development by providing finance to farmer. Bank also finance to farmers for land development. The mode of finance covers activities of terracing, bunding, leveling, kyari preparation, drainage lay out and reclamation of saline, alkaline and ravine lands.

Eligibility : All persons engaged in raising crops, fruit gardens, plantations and nursery crops as owners of land or permanent tenants or as lease holders (for reasonably long period).

Nature Of Facility : Term loan.

Repayment Schedule : Maximum period of 7 years with one year holiday / moratorium.

Capital expenditure and working capital requirement of units engaged in dairy, piggery, poultry, sericulture etc.

Agriculture being the backbone of the Indian Economy, Bank of Baroda has contributed significantly in accelerating the pace of rural development by providing finance to farmer. Bank also finance to farmers for allied activities like dairy piggery , poultry etc.

The mode of finance covers to meet capital expenditure and working capital requirement of units engaged in dairy, piggery, poultry, sericulture and rearing of sheep, goat and camel, for construction of animal sheds, pig house, poultry sheds, purchase of milch animal, pig breeding ,chicks, layers, equipment/ machinery / transport vehicle for purchase of feed and to meet other expenditure etc .

Eligibility : All persons including small and marginal farmers and agricultural labourers engaged in agriculture and allied activities.

Nature Of Facility : Term loan for capital expenditure and cash credit for working capital requirements.

Repayment Schedule : Term loan: for purchase of milch cattle 4 years. For fishery, piggery, apiculture, sericulture, etc 3 to 7 years depending upon the economic viability of the scheme but not less than 36 months.

Other Agricultural Loans

- Dairy Loans
- Piggery Loans
- Farm Forestry Loans
- Bio-Gas Plant Loans
- Estate Purchase Loans
- Agricultural Crop Loans
- Agricultural Gold Loans
- Farmer's Benefit Scheme
- Sheep & Goat Rearing Loans
- Farmers Green Card Scheme
- Bee Keeping (Apiculture) Loans
- Loans for setting up Farm Houses
- Loans for setting up Market yards
- Loans for setting up Rural Godowns
- Loans for setting up Cold Storage Units
- Loans for Bio-Technology Development *
- Loans for Contract Farming for Corporates/Others *

*Other terms and conditions as applicable to General Export Credit will apply.

4. DENA BANK

Dena bank provides "Whole Farm Approach" in respect of farm loans under Kisan Gold Credit Card Scheme. this scheme ensures flexibility & choice in respect to the purpose, amount and timing of loans.

Dena Kisan Gold Credit Card Scheme (DKGCC)

Objective : The scheme aims at "Whole Farm Approach" in respect of farm loans. The scheme ensures flexibility and choice in respect to the purpose, amount and timing of loan.

Eligibility :

- Farmers, irrespective, of land holdings with
- Regular conduct of the existing loan accounts for last 3 years.

Quantum of loan :

Upto five times the average annual farm income or 50% of the value of land mortgaged as collateral security with a maximum of Rs. 5.00 lacs. Existing term loan outstandings, if any, would be deducted from the 50% value of the land or five average annual income so as to

arrive at net eligible amount. The facility would be over and above the existing or proposed production credit limits.

Purpose :Farmers is free to choose from various Investment Credit options like purchase of Milch animals, Bullock carts, digging of well, installation of electric motor, drip/sprinkler irrigation system, laying of pipe line, Purchase of Farm Machinery such as Tractors & Farm Equipment, farm buildings/houses.

Provision for domestic needs like medical treatment, children's education and family functions etc not exceeding 10% of the limit is there.

Nature of facility : Term Loans

Margins : The margins at a uniform rate of 15% is to be taken under the scheme

Permissible Loan Amount :Maximum loan amount available, under the scheme, is Rs. 5.00 lakh only.

Disbursement :On request, the loan amount would be transferred to the S.B. Account of the borrower and the borrower is allowed to draw the loan amount by way of either issuing cheques to the supplier or withdrawing the money in cash. Disbursement upto Rs. 50,000/- or a maximum of 10% of the limit sanctioned may not require any quotation / bill. However, disbursement beyond 50,000/- will be supported by production of Quotations, Bills and Receipts to ensure proper end use of the loan. In case of loans for purchase of tractor, Dena Bank's charge is to be registered with RTO as per the usual practise.

Rate of Interest :Interest rate, prevailing from time to time, will be applicable for the loans financed under the scheme. However, farmers loyal to Dena Bank would be rewarded with the concession in rate of interest to the extent of 0.5% p.a. than what is otherwise applicable to the agricultural loans subject to the condition that all loans of the particular farmer-borrower should remain under "Standard Category".

The concession in rate of interest would stand withdrawn once any of the loan accounts of the borrower turns into Non Performing Assets (NPA)

Process Fee :There is a concession of 50% in process fee available under the scheme and accordingly the process fee would be as under:

| Size of Loan | Process Fee |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| Upto Rs. 50,000/- | Nil |
| Above Rs. 50,000/- to Rs. 5.00 lakh | 0.5% of the limit sanctioned (one time). |

Beneficiaries belonging to SC/ST categories are totally exempted from levying of any process fee.

Supervision Charges :Regular farmers loyal to the Dena Bank would be rewarded with the concession in respect of levying of supervision charges which are proposed to be lowered down as per details given below:

| Size of Loan | Supervision Charges |
|------------------------------|----------------------|
| Upto Rs.50,000/- | Nil |
| Above Rs. 50,000/- to 2 lakh | Rs.25/ per quarter |
| Above Rs. 2 lakh to 5 lakh | Rs.50/- per quarter. |
| | |

Beneficiaries belonging to SC/ST categories are totally exempted from levying of any supervision charges.

Security :

- Primary- Hypothecation of the asset created out of Dena Bank finance.
- Collateral- Mortgage/simple charge on the agricultural land with Sub-Registrar Office. Whenever, agriculture land can be mortgaged, branches can take security of corresponding value of liquid assets like NSC, KVP, Term Deposit Receipt or assignment of LIC Policies. However security should be properly charged to the Bank and no guaranter is required.

Repayment : Each loan account under the scheme would have its own repayment period and maximum repayment available would be 7 years. However, maximum repayment period for tractor / farm equipment loans will be 9 years.

Penal Interest : Penal interest as per existing Dena Bank policy would be applicable in case of defaults.

Other Guidelines :

On sanction of the facility, the borrower would be provided with an Identity Card cum Pass Book with his photograph. The pass book will have separate folios for different accounts. The facility will be valid for three years subject to yearly reviews. Any default in sub-limit/limit will render the farmer-borrower ineligible for further withdrawal. The disbursement of the facility would be as per the request of the borrower. The borrower may avail various facilities, as mentioned earlier, in phases or in one go

5. PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK

Scheme for Financing Farmers Growing Potato/Fruits Against Pledge of Cold Storage Receipts:

Eligibility: Farmers who have grown potato and fruit crops from their own resources or with financial assistance from our Bank.

Extent of Loan: Maximum Rs.25,000/-

Security: Pledge of Cold Storage Receipts duly discharged in favour of the Bank.

Produce (Marketing) Loan Scheme:

Purpose: To meet short term credit requirement to adjust/repay the outstanding crop loan/KCC limit availed by farmers from the bank and to procure better price by storing farm produce and selling it at favourable price within a specified period

Eligibility: Loan will be available only to those farmers who have availed themselves of crop loan/KCC facility/composite cash credit limit from our Bank only for raising the concerned crops in that season which should not be overdue for repayment.

Nature & Extent of Facility:

Short term loan: Maximum upto Rs.5 lakh. The loan would be twice the amount of crop loan taken by farmer or 75 per cent of the value of the produce calculated at the Government announced procurement prices, whichever is lower.

Repayment of Loan: Produce (Marketing) Loan shall be repaid within a maximum period of twelve months from the date of its disbursement.

Scheme For Financing Development Of Horticulture (Fruits, Flowers & Vegetables) And Plantation Crops:

Purpose: Financial assistance will be made available mainly for establishment and development of new orchards or groves of fruit crops, plantation crops, ornamental crops, medicinal plants, essential oil/aromatic plants etc, rejuvenation of existing orchards or plantation, raising vegetables ,raising flower crops, inter-cropping in horticultural crops, Marketing loan to meet picking, grading, crating, forwarding and transportation costs etc..

Eligibility: Individual farmers or group of farmers with stipulated land holding , and Public Sector Undertakings or private firms desirous of seeking financial assistance for plantation of fruit trees or other economic plants on project basis.

Nature of Facility: Short term loan or cash credit facility is provided for production Purposes and Medium term loan for development of orchards or vegetable/flower gardens.

Extent of Loan: Need based. However, working Capital loan would depend upon scales of finance. In case marketing loan is also considered, it does not exceed 20 per cent of the estimated value of crop.

Gestation Period: Gestation period will vary with variety of plants/trees grown.

Crop Loan: Loan disbursed for raising vegetable crops, flower crops or other inter-cropping shall be recovered within 6-8 weeks of harvest of crop unless loans are given as composite loans taking into account both production and investment credit needs. In such cases, loan would be recovered in 4-5 years.

Marketing Loan: Repayment within 4 months from date of loan.

Medium Term Loan: Repayment period (inclusive of gestation) in respect of medium term loans shall be in the range of 4-15 years.

Scheme for Financing Dairy Development Programmes:

Dairy projects are financed for the following activities:

- Financing individuals for purchase of good quality high yielding milch animals, viz., cows/buffaloes or cross bred cows for milk production.
- Financing individuals for purchase and rearing of calves upto the stage of first lactation.
- Financing for other innovative animal husbandry activities, namely, cattle breeding, salvaging of dry pregnant cattle, milk-processing facilities, construction of milk houses, etc.
- Financing for Milk Production Activity I.E. Purchase and Maintenance of Milch Animals (Lactating Cows/Buffaloes) for Milk Production:

Purpose:

Bank provides loan for following Purposes:

- Purchase of good quality high milk cows/buffaloes.
- Construction of shed(s) for keeping the animals.
- Purchase of dairy machinery or other equipments of dairy business.
- Providing fodder for the animals.
- Cost of transportation of animal from cattle market.

- Composite loans are also given for purchase of milch cattle and one month concentrate feed requirements as also for cultivation of fodder crops in integrated manner.

Eligibility:

- Individuals undertaking dairying as subsidiary activity.
- Individuals undertaking commercial dairy as main activity.

Extent of Loan:

Need-based loan is provided. A unit of 2 milch animals is considered viable minimum size for such an activity for continuous production of milk.

Repayment of Loan: Loans for purchase of milch animals should be repaid as under: -

| S.No. | Type of Investment | Repayment period (including gestation period) | Loan Instalment period | Gestation period |
|-------|---------------------------|---|------------------------|---|
| 1 | Cross bred cow(s) | 5 years | Monthly/Quarterly | Repayment to be linked with lactation period. |
| 2 | Buffaloes | 4-5 years | -do- | -do - |
| 3. | 2 Graded Murrah buffaloes | 4-5 years | -do- | -do- |
| 4. | Cross bred calf rearing | 5-6 years | -do- | 30 months |

Scheme for Financing Rearing of Good Quality Female Calves:

Purpose: Rearing of female calves of about 4 months of age born of healthy parents upto the age of first calving.

Eligibility: Cattle breeders/ progressive farmers having female calves undertaking to retain them for milk production or sell them on first calving. Farmer should have land for raising adequate fodder.

Extent of Loan: Amount of loan shall depend upon the number of calves the borrower(s) intends to rear.

Reayment of Loan:If the calf is retained as lactating cow, loan and interest shall be recovered in maximum four years after first calving in suitable instalments. If the calf is sold as fresh calve, principal and interest should be recovered in lump sum from the sale proceeds of the

animal. Accordingly, maximum repayment period shall be 5-6 years in the former case while it shall be 2 years and 6 months in the latter case.

Dairy Vikas Card Scheme (Implemented in select States):

Purpose: Purchase of good quality high milk yielding cows/buffaloes or exotic cross bred cows; Construction of shed for keeping the animals; Purchase of working capital items like, dairy feeds, veterinary medicines, fodder, dairy machinery or other equipments, etc.

Eligibility: Landless agricultural labourers or farmers/ individuals having experience in maintaining milch animals.

Margin:Nil.

Type of Card: PNB Dairy Vikas Card.

Validity of Card:5 Years.

Extent of Loan:Rs.50,000/-

Fixation of Limit:

- Production Credit:Maximum 25% of the limit.
- Investment Credit:Minimum 75% of the limit.

Disbursement of Loan: Loan shall be disbursed in cash in stages as per requirement of the farmer. The limit shall be availed from the Card Issuing Branch only.

*Repayment of Loan: Investment credit will be repayable in 5 years with reducing composite cash credit limit on yearly basis. Installments in the account shall be repaid on monthly/quarterly basis.

Scheme for Financing Fisheries Development:

Scheme for Financing Inland Fisheries Development and Brackish Water Fish and Prawn Culture:

- ❖ Purpose: Financial assistance is extended for Construction/renovation of ponds/tanks., construction of sluices, purchase of fish prawn, fry and fingerlings/ fish seed/ prawn seed, purchase of inputs like oil cake, fertilizers, organic fertilizers and other feed materials upto the first harvest, purchase of nets, boxes, baskets, ropes, shovels, hooks and other accessories etc.
- ❖ Eligibility: Loan assistance is extended to farmers, individuals, co-operative societies, companies, association of persons who have adequate know-how and necessary infrastructural facilities for implementation of the scheme
Extent of Loan: Need based.

- ❖ Repayment of Loan: Loans need to be repaid within the period specified as under: -

Scheme for Financing Marine Fisheries

- ❖ Purpose: Loan can be considered for purchase of mechanized/non-mechanized boats/deep sea fishing vessels/trawlers, purchase of nets - travel net/purse-seine/grill nets, purchase of other deck equipments like travel, winch, wire rope, gallows, net-handler, navigational lights, life jackets, life boats, anchors, direction finders, fish finders, etc. purchase of marine engine. etc.
- ❖ Eligibility: Loan is extended to individual(s)/partnership firm(s), co-operative society(ies), limited company(ies) who are technically qualified and having adequate experience to undertake such venture.
- ❖ Extent of Loan: Amount of loan will be according to the requirements of project report submitted by intending borrower(s).

Repayment of Loan:

Medium Term Loan:

- Non-mechanized boats/vessels : 6-7 years.
- Mechanized boats : 8-12 years.

Cash Credit Limit: Cash Credit Limit for working capital requirements are renewed every year.

Scheme for Financing Sheep/Goat Breeding/Rearing Activities

- ❖ Purpose: Financial assistance is considered for Purchase of sheep/goat of recognized breed for the Purpose of breeding and/or rearing them for wool, meat and milk production, construction of sheds for sheep/goat, if considered necessary, and also for purchase of equipments/tools, purchase of concentrate feed, if considered necessary.
- ❖ Eligibility: Small and marginal farmer(s) and agricultural labourer(s) desirous of undertaking sheep/goat breeding/rearing as subsidiary activity or trained persons desirous of taking up the venture on commercial lines are eligible for financial assistance.
- ❖ Extent of Loan: Need based.
- ❖ Repayment of Loan: Medium Term Loan, Activity Minimum & maximum repayment period, including gestation period Mode of repayment (instalments)
 - Sheep Breeding 5-6 years Quarterly/ Half-yearly/ Yearly
 - Goat Rearing 5-6 years Quarterly/ Half-yearly/ Yearly

- ❖ Working Capital:

Working capital loan is to be repaid within maximum period of 1.5 years from the date of advance. If given as cash credit limit, the facilities shall be renewable every year.

Scheme for Financing Piggery Development

- ❖ Purpose: For breeding and/or rearing of pigs.
- ❖ Eligibility: Farmers/agricultural labourers and individuals desirous of undertaking piggery as subsidiary activity and the persons undertaking such activity on commercial lines as main activity.
- ❖ Extent of Loan: Need based.
- ❖ Production Credit: Working capital loan is to be repaid in a maximum period of one and half years from the date of advance.
- ❖ Investment Credit: Repayment of the medium term loan is to be made in yearly instalments within a period of 5-6 years including gestation period.

Scheme for Financing Apiculture (Bee-Keeping)

- ❖ Purpose: Financial assistance is made available for meeting:
Fixed cost such as Construction of honey houses; purchase of colonies; purchase of equipments like bee-boxes, honey extractors, smokers & bee veil, bee knife, hive tool, queen gate, feeder, solar wax extractor, plastic drums for storing honey, sting proof rubber gloves, etc.
Recurring Costs such as purchase of foundation sheets, sugar, medicines, gloves, etc.
- ❖ Eligibility: Small and marginal farmer(s)/ agricultural labourer(s) who are trained in bee keeping and individuals/Association of persons/Companies who possess adequate experience in bee-keeping and are desirous of taking up bee-keeping activity on commercial basis.
- ❖ Extent & Nature of Loan : Need based term loan. Provision for initial recurring costs also forms an integral part of term loan only.
- ❖ Repayment of Loan: Maximum 5 years including gestation period.

6. STATE BANK OF INDIA

Loan Against Warehouse Receipts / Cold Storage Receipts

- ❖ Purpose :The Bank extends financial assistance to farmers storing produce in private / government warehouse / cold storages against pledge of warehouse / cold storage receipt to prevent distress sale. The maximum repayment period of the loan is 6 months.
- ❖ Eligibility : All categories of farmers availing crop loan from us.
- ❖ Loan amount : The loan amount will be 60 % of the value (minimum support price) of the produce stored.

- ❖ Documents you need to produce :Only the warehouse receipt issued and signed by the authorized warehouse keeper. The warehouse receipt should be duly endorsed in favour of the Bank.
- ❖ Disbursement of loan : After liquidating the crop loan the surplus will be disbursed in cash.
- ❖ Security : Pledge of warehouse receipt.
- ❖ How to do Repay :The loan should be liquidated as and when the produce is sold during a interim period not exceeding 12 months.
- ❖ How to apply for this loan Contact your Branch Manager / Field Staff along with the warehouse receipt.
- ❖ **Agricultural Term Loans (ATL)**
 - ❖ Purpose : Agricultural term loans are provided for the purchase of assets (farm machinery Bullocks, sheep etc. / creation of assets (orchard development, poultry, dairy development etc.) connected with rural activities under agriculture, horticulture, plantation, sericulture, animal husbandry, fisheries etc., where the loan amount is repayable over a period of time exceeding 3 years.
 - ❖ Who are eligible for Term Loans :All categories of farmers and agricultural labourers are eligible.
 - ❖ Loan amount :Upto Rs.50, 000/- 100 % of the cost of the asset / project cost is provided as loan. Above Rs.50, 000/- upto 85 % of the cost of the asset/project is given as loan.
 - ❖ Documents you need to provide :For activities like purchase of bullocks etc there is no need for any documents. For larger amounts of loan, estimate/quotation/project report will be called for . For land based activities you need to produce the land records . For loans above Rs. 25, 000 no dues certificate from the banks operating in the area will be required.
 - ❖ Disbursement of loans :

Generally disbursements are made directly to the suppliers as per the schedule set in your proposal.

| Amount of Loan | Security to be furnished |
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| A. Where movable assets are not created(eg.Dugwells, development of land etc.) | |
| Upto Rs. 10, 000/- | a) Personal Guarantee |
| b) Above Rs.10, 000/- | b) i. Personal Guarantee ii Mortgage of land |
| B. Where movable assets are created (pumpset, pipeline etc.) | |
| a) Upto Rs.50, 000/- | a) Hypothecation of the asset created |
| b) Above Rs.50, 000/- to Rs. 1 lac | i. Hypothecation of the assets created ii. Mortgage of land or third party guarantee |
| c) Above Rs. 1 lac | c) i. Hypothecation of the assets created ii. Mortgage of land |

- ❖ Repayment : Repayment is linked to the income generation of the activity undertaken and varies from 5 to 15 years. How to apply for this loan :You may contact our nearest branch for the application or even talk to the marketing officers visiting your village and produce the land documents where required.

7. STATE BANK OF HYDERABAD

Finance To Horticulture

- ❖ Purpose : Loans for development of fruit orchards like mango, chikoo, Guava, Grapes, pomegranate, apple, lechee etc., as well as short term fruit crops(banana, pineapple etc.), flowers in open and green houses (roses, carnation, chrysanthemums, jasmine etc.) and vegetable crops (potato, tomato, brinjal, gourds, peas etc.) are financed.
- ❖ Eligibility : All farmers having cultivable lands
- ❖ Loan amount :

| Amount of Loan | Security to be furnished |
|---------------------|--|
| Upto Rs. 50, 000/- | 100 % of the cost of the asset / project cost is provided as loan. |
| Above Rs. 50, 000/- | upto 85 % of the cost of the asset / project is given as loan |

For short term loans the loans are given under our crop loan / Kisan Credit Card scheme and the terms applicable under these schemes are applicable for these loans. Other requirements for long term loans are given below.

- ❖ Documents you need to provide: For orchard development you need to submit the following
 - Water and soil test report.
 - A feasibility certificate from the local horticulture department.
 - Land records.
 - Quotation / estimates for the costs to be incurred.
 - If the project is large then a project report.
- ❖ Disbursement of loan :

Generally disbursements are made directly to the suppliers as per the schedule set in your proposal.

❖ Security :

| Amount of Loan | Security to be furnished |
|------------------------------------|--|
| a) Upto Rs. 50, 000/- | Hypothecation of assets created |
| b) Above Rs.50, 000/- to Rs. 1 lac | b. i) Hypothecation of assets created ii. Mortgage of land or third party guarantee |
| c) Above Rs. 1 lac | c) i. Hypothecation of the assets created ii. Mortgage of land |

- ❖ Repayment : The loan repayment starts after the completion of the gestation period varying from 4 to 7 years for different crops. Repayment commences from the time the crop gives economic yield and is linked to the income generation of each crop every year and varies between 7 years to 12 years.
- ❖ How to apply for this loan :You may contact our nearest branch for the application or even talk to the marketing officers visiting your village and produce the land documents.

Cold Storage Finance

The Capital Investment Subsidy Scheme is aimed at meeting construction and expansion expenditure on cold storage units to minimize post harvest losses of horticultural produce.

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| Eligibility | Co-operative societies, companies, corporations, partnerships, proprietorships, agri-produce marketing committees, boards, agri-industrial corporations, and growers associations |
| Project Cost | According to the design |
| Margin | 25% |
| Subsidy | 25% or maximum Rs.50 lakhs 33.33% or maximum Rs.60 lakhs in North Eastern states |
| Security | Primary: Hypothecation of machinery Collateral: Mortgage of immovable property |
| Repayment | Payable annually in nine years with a grace period of 2 years |

STATE LEVEL SCHEMES

ANDHRA PRADESH

| Name of the Section: | | Post Harvest Management | | | | | |
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| Name of the Scheme: | | Promotion of New Technology | | | | | |
| Objectives (s) | | 1.To create awareness on farming activity about post harvest management 2.To reduce post harvest losses 3.To improve quality of produce there by promotion of exports | | | | | |
| Intervention / components and assistance proposed | | | | | | | |
| S.No. | Name of the scheme / Component | Unit Cost (in Rs.) | Assistance per ha. (in Rs.) | Beneficiary contribution (in Rs.) | Max.limit | | Area of operation |
| | | | | | Phy | Fin (in Rs.) | |
| 1 | Mini Pack Houses | 250000/- | 25% not exceeding Rs. 62500/- | 187500/- | 1 | 62500/- | VZM, KRI (AEZ) |
| 2 | Mango Harvesters | 688/- | 50% Not exceeding Rs. 344/- | 344/- | 15 | 5160/- | KRI (AEZ) |
| 3 | Foot Sprayers | 2652/- | 50% Not exceeding Rs. 1326/- | 1326/- | 1 | 1326/- | VZM, VSP & E.G. |
| 4 | Thaiwan Sprayers | 12600/- | 50% Not exceeding Rs. 6300/- | 6300/- | 1 | 6300/- | VZM, VSP, E.G., KRI (R) & KRI (AEZ) |
| 5 | Knap Sack Sprayers | 2444/- | 50% Not exceeding Rs. 1222/- | 1222/- | 1 | 1222/- | VSP, E.G. & KRI (R) |
| 6 | Tractor Mounted Sprayers | 34320/- | 50% Not exceeding Rs. 17160/- | 17160/- | 1 | 17160/- | KRI (R) & KRI (AEZ) |
| 7 | Power Cultivator cum Weeder | 41600/- | 50% Not exceeding Rs. 20800/- | 20800/- | 1 | 20800/- | VZM, VSP, E.G. & KRI (R) |
| 8 | Imported Power Weeder Japan Engine CL261 | 27040/- | 50% Not exceeding Rs. 13520/- | 13520/- | 1 | 13520/- | E.G. |
| 9 | Poly Sheets | 1755/- | 33% Not exceeding Rs. 580/- | 580/- | 8 | 4640/- | VZM, VSP, & KRI (R) |
| 10 | Plastic Crates | 180/- | 50% Not exceeding Rs. 90/- | 90/- | 100 | 9000/- | E.G., KRI (R) & KRI (AEZ) |
| 11 | Mechanized Chain Saw | 35000/- | 50% Not exceeding Rs. 17500/- | 17500/- | 1 | 17500/- | VSP, & KRI (AEZ) |

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| 12 | Folding Hand Saw | 1512/- | 50% Not exceeding Rs. 756/- | 756/- | 4 | 3024/- | VSP, & E.G |
| 14 | Cashew Processing Unit | 1200000/- | 25% Not exceeding Rs. 300000/- | 900000/- | 1 | 300000/- | VZM, VSP, & E.G. |
| 15 | Roto Tillar | 45000/- | 50% Not exceeding Rs. 22500/- | 22500/- | 1 | 22500/- | E.G. |
| 16 | Hand operated tapioca chipping machine | 10000/- | 50% Not exceeding Rs. 5000/- | 5000/- | 1 | 5000/- | E.G. |
| 17 | Pedal operated tapioca chipping machine | 40000/- | 50% Not exceeding Rs. 20000/- | 20000/- | 1 | 20000/- | E.G. |
| 18 | Power operated tapio | 70000/- | 50% Not exceeding Rs. 35000/- | 35000/- | 1 | 35000/- | E.G. |
| 19 | Chillie Dryer | 114000/- | 50% Not exceeding Rs. 57000/- | 57000/- | 1 | 57000/- | E.G. & KRI (R) |

Harayana

Name of the Scheme: Scheme for Agriculture Engineering and Services

Financial Outlay : The scheme is being implemented by the State Govt.

Components of the scheme

| | Name of the scheme | Pattern of assistance |
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| | Installation of tube wells | Boring machines are provided to the farmers for boring work at nominal rates. |
| | Enforcement of Machines Act, 1983 | Help the victims of thresher accident in getting the compensation through Marketing Board |
| | To provide technical know How to the farmers | Regarding selection of tractors and its matching implements. |
| | Repair and maintenance of biogas plants | Provide technical know how regarding repair Maintenance and operation of biogas plants through departmental masons. |

Name of the scheme:- Scheme for Agriculture Engineering and Boring

Objectives:-

- 1) Tubewell boring and boring by Rock drilling
- 2) Development of old tubewells by means of compressed air.
- 3) Free advice to the farmers for boring of their tubewell installation and purchase of suitable pumping sets, agricultural machines and tractor.

Financial Outlay: The scheme is being implemented by the State Govt.

Components

| | the scheme | assistance |
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| | Installation of tubewells by various type of rig machines including Rock drilling machine. | Boring machines are provided to the farmers for boring work at nominal rates. |
| | Development of old tubewells | Compressor facilities are provided to the farmers to clean their old and new tubewells at minimum rates to increase the discharge of tubewells |
| | To provide technical know how to the farmers | Regarding selection of tractors and its matching Implements. |

Himanchal Pradesh

RASHTRIYA KRISHI BIMA YOJNA (RKBY): The State Government has adopted this Scheme from Rabi 1999-2000 season . Crops covered are Wheat, Barley , Maize, Paddy and Potato. Subsidy in premium is allowed to Small and Marginal Farmers. The scheme is compulsory for loanee farmers and optional for non-loanee farmers. The scheme provides comprehensive risks insurance against yield losses viz. Drought , Hailstorm, Floods, Pests.

PROMOTION AND STRENGTHENING OF AGRICULTURAL MECHNIZATION: This scheme was launched in the year 2003-2004. Under this scheme, the demonstrations of newly developed Agricultural Equipments are being conducted in the farmer's field every year. During 2006-2007, a sum of Rs.10.00 lacs has been released by the Government of India for conducting 904 No's demonstrations of newly developed equipments in the various Districts of State.

RESTRUCTURED SCHEME FOR DEVELOPMENT AND STRENGTHENING OF INFRASTRUCTURE FACILITIES FOR PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF QUALITY SEEDS: Under this scheme the Department of Agriculture started strengthening of Seed Testing Laboratories at Palampur and establishment of new Seed Testing Laboratory at Mandi, beside this four training camps for creating awareness amongst the farmers for the implementation of Seed Control Order, 1983 .

DEVELOPMENT AND STRENGTHENING OF INFRASTRUCTURE FACILITIES FOR PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF QUALITY SEEDS (SEED VILLAGE SCHEME): This central sector scheme was implemented from 2005-2006. Under this scheme 50% cost of foundation seed subsidized, funds for providing training @ Rs.15,000 per training camp and 25% subsidy on storage bins is provided by the Government.

RASHTRIYA KRISHI VIKAS YOJNA (R.K.V.Y): Concerned by the slow growth in Agriculture and allied sectors, the Government of India has launched Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojna (RKVY) during 2007-2008. The RKVY aims at achieving 4% annual growth in the agriculture sector during the XIth Plan period, by ensuring a holistic development of agriculture and allied sectors. The main objectives of the scheme are as under;

- (i) To incentivise the states as so as to increase public investment in agriculture and allied sectors.
- (ii) To provides flexibility and autonomy to states in the process of planning and executing agriculture and allied sector schemes.

MAHARASHTRA

| Scheme Name | Year | Contact |
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| Centrally Sponcered Integrated Cotten Development Programme 2008-09 | 2008-09 | Dy. Director,Add-Krishi Bhavan, Pune-5 Ph/Fax : 020/25518475 -020/25512825 Email :agridext.mah@nic.in |
| Guideline 2008-09 Soil Health Card Distribution | 2008-09 | Dy. Director Ext-13,Add-Krishi Bhavan, Pune-5 Ph/Fax : 020/25518475 -020/25512825 Email :agridext.mah@nic.in |
| Integrated Cereal Development Programme 2008-09 | 2008-09 | Dy. Director Ext-3,Add-Krishi Bhavan, Pune-5 Ph/Fax : 020/25518475 - 020/25512825 Email :agridext.mah@nic.in |
| Integrated Schemes of Oilseed,Pulses & Maize Development Programme 08-09 | 2008-09 | Dy. Director,Add-Krishi Bhavan, Pune-5 Ph/Fax : 020/25518475 -020/25512825 Email :agridext.mah@nic.in |
| Maize Development Programme 2008-09 | 2008-09 | Dy. Director Ext-3,Add-Krishi Bhavan, Pune-5 Ph/Fax : 020/25518475 -020/25512825 |

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| | | Email :agridext.mah@nic.in |
| National Food Security Mission -Rice & Wheat Development Programme 2008-09 | 2008-09 | Dy. Director Ext-3,Add-Krishi Bhavan, Pune-5 Ph/Fax : 020/25518475 -020/25512825 Email :agridext.mah@nic.in |
| Scheme Extension support to Information 2008-09 | 2008-09 | Dy. Director Ext-13,Add-Krishi Bhavan, Pune-5 Ph/Fax : 020/25518475 -020/25512825 Email :agridext.mah@nic.in |
| Seed Village Program 2008-09 | 2008-09 | Dy. Director Ext-3,Add-Krishi Bhavan, Pune-5 Ph/Fax : 020/25518475 -020/25512825 Email :agridext.mah@nic.in |
| Sugarcane Development Programme 2008-09 | 2008-09 | Dy. Director Ext-4,Add-Sugar Complex, Pune-5 Ph/Fax : 020/25512830 -020/25512825 Email :agridext.mah@nic.in |
| TSF & Polyclinic 2008-09 | 2008-09 | Dy. Director Ext-13,Add-Krishi Bhavan, Pune-5 Ph/Fax : 020/25518475 -020/25512825 Email :agridext.mah@nic.in |
| Women in agriculture 2008-09 | 2008-09 | Dy. Director Ext-13,Add-Krishi Bhavan, Pune-5 Ph/Fax : 020/25518475 -020/25512825 Email :agridext.mah@nic.in |

- (iii) To ensure the preparation of agriculture plans for the districts and the states based on agro-climatic conditions, availability of technology and natural resources.
- (iv) To maximize returns to the farmers in agriculture and allied sectors.
- (v) To bring about quantifiable changes in the production and productivity of various components in agriculture and allied sectors by addressing them in a holistic manner.

RAJASTHAN

RIICO Food Park & Bio Tech Park (For More Details : www.riico.com)

(a) RIICO Food Park

With the ushering in of the twenty first century; RIICO is all set to establish highly sophisticated Agro Good Parks at Ranpur near Kota and Boranada near Jodhpur. These eco-friendly areas will offer the most advanced amenities with state-of-the-art infrastructure to support entrepreneurs.

INCENTIVE AND BENEFITS TO UNITS

- ❖ Remission of stamp duty on sale and purchase of land and properties in Agro Food Parks.
- ❖ Remission of electricity duty to units in Agro Food Parts for five years.
- ❖ Set off of entry tax on raw material and capital goods.
- ❖ Set off of Rajasthan Sales Tax on capital goods.
- ❖ Interest subsidy, Wage subsidy and other incentive under the Rajasthan Investment Policy – 2003 to units as per the eligibility under this scheme.

Financial assistance under various schemes of Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Government of India (The Commissionerate of Industries, Department of Industries, Government of Rajasthan, Jaipur is the Nodal Agency of Government of Rajasthan for Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Government of India).

(b) RIICO Bio-Technology Park

Bio Tech Parks at three locations namely Sitapura-Jaipur; Boranada- Jodhpur and Sotanala on NH-8 near Behror (Alwar) has been set up by RIICO. The necessary common facilities such as incubators, R&D Centre etc. will be encouraged in private sector.

INCENTIVE FOR NEW INVESTMENT

The following concessions have been extended to Bio Tech units in designated Bio Tech Parks:

- (i) Exemption from Stamp duty for registration of land.
- (ii) 50% Exemption from electricity duty for 7 years.
- (iii) Labour laws relaxed (Women are allowed to work in night shift, self certification under various State enactment's etc.)

Gramin Bhandaran Yojna (Rural Godown Scheme) For More Details : <http://agmarknet.nic.in>

Under the scheme, the entrepreneur will be free to construct godown at any place and of any size as per his commercial judgment except for the restrictions that it would be outside the limits of Municipal Corporation area and be of a minimum capacity of 100 MT.