Government Of Tamil Nadu

Abstract

Tsunami 2004 - Reclamation for sand cast and saline Horticultural lands affected by Tsunami - sanction of Rs.83,72,750 from the Calamity Relief Fund - Orders - Issued.

Revenue (NC III) Department

G.O.Ms.No.203
Dated:12.4.2005

Read:-

1. G.O.Ms.No.124, Revenue, dated 23.2.2005


3. The Secretary, Agriculture Department, Chennai 600 009, Letter No.7401 / A15 / 2005-2 dated 22.3.2005.

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ORDER:

In the G.O. read above sanction was accorded for reclamation for sand cast and saline agricultural lands affected by Tsunami. The reclamation includes soil testing, removal of salt, lands surface levelling, gypsum application, sowing of seeds, ploughing and cultivation of crops, subsistence allowance to be paid to the farmers every season in the second and third year and payment of insurance premium for two years. A sum of Rs.1696.16 lakhs was sanctioned at the rate of Rs.12500/- per hectare to the saline agricultural lands. The Secretary, Agriculture department and the Commissioner of Horticulture and Plantation Crops have requested to extend the relief package to saline horticultural lands as given to saline agricultural lands. The district wise area affected by Tsunami as reported by the Commissioner of Horticulture and plantation crops are detailed below.

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<th>Districts</th>
<th>Area of the Crop affected (Ha)</th>
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<td>1. Cuddalore</td>
<td>196.51</td>
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<td>2. Kanniakumari</td>
<td>9.70</td>
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<td>3. Nagapattinam</td>
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<td>4. Villupuram</td>
<td>6.63</td>
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<td>Total</td>
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An extent of 669.82 hectares of Horticultural lands are affected due to Tsunami. The Commissioner of Horticulture and Plantation crops has stated in his proposal that a sum of Rs.83,72,750 (Rupees Eighty three lakhs seventy two thousand seven hundred and fifty only) is required for rendering compensation to the Horticultural Crops.

2. The proposal of the Secretary, Agriculture Department was placed before the State Level Committee on Calamity Relief Fund schemes. The committee decided to sanction an amount of Rs.83,72,750/- at the rate of Rs.12,500/- per hectare for the Horticultural lands for 669.82 hectares on the same pattern as for the affected agricultural lands.

3. The Government after careful consideration sanction to incur an expenditure of Rs.83,72,750/- (Rupees eighty three lakhs seventy two thousand and seven hundred and fifty only) at the rate of Rs.12,500/- per Hectare from the Calamity Relief Fund/National Calamity Contingency Fund to take up relief works for the lands affected by Tsunami.

4. The expenditure sanctioned in para 3 above shall be debited under the following head of account:-

“2245 Relief on account of Natural Calamities - 80 General 800, other Expenditure - I Non Plan AB. Assistance for undertaking relief works with Tsunami affected areas - 09 Grants in aid - 01 Grants for current expenditure (DPC 2245/80/800 AB 0918).

5. The State Relief Commissioner is authorised to draw and disburse the amount sanctioned in para 3 above to the Commissioner of Horticulture and plantation crops who will make necessary arrangements for depositing in the Bank in a Joint account of the beneficiary and the Joint Director or Assistant Director of Horticulture in the Districts concerned. The inputs will be provided by Agriculture/Horticulture Department, and the deposit amount adjusted against the inputs. The Commissioner of Horticulture and Plantation crops should issue guidelines in consultation with the Special Commissioner and Commissioner of Revenue Administration as to how the entire process should be gone through. The Commissioner of Horticulture and plantation crops should arrange to send an utilization certificate to the State Relief Commissioner and to the Accountant General/Government.


(By Order of the Governor)

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To

The Special Commissioner and Commissioner of Revenue Administration Chennai-5

The Secretary, Agriculture Department, Chennai-600 009
The Commissioner of Horticulture and Plantation Crops, Chennai -600 005

The District Collectors of Nagapattinam, Kanyakumari, Cuddalore and Villupuram

The Director of Treasuries and Accounts, Chennai-600 015

The Accountant General, Chennai 18/35

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