Abstract

Natural Calamities - North East Monsoon 2008 - Damages Caused due to cyclone "NISHA" and heavy rains in many districts in November 2008 - Sanction of funds to the sum of Rs.100 crores towards crop loss - Sanction of additional funds - Orders - Issued.

Revenue (NC.II) Department

G.O. Ms. No.2    Dated: 2.1.2009

Read:-

4. From the Principal Secretary/ Commissioner of Revenue Administration, Letter No. NC.I(2)/86414/08, Dated: 29.12.2008.

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ORDER:-

Due to the heavy rains and floods all over the State on account of cyclone 'NISHA' during November 2008 there has been widespread damage to life and property in many districts. The damaged to crops, roads and irrigation sources has been extensive.

2. In the G.O. second read above, the Government have enhanced the rate of relief assistance to the damaged paddy crops in the affected districts from Rs.4000/- to Rs.7500/- and also informed that the enhanced rate of relief assistance of Rs.7500/- per hectare be paid for damaged paddy crops, whereas for all other crops relief shall be paid as per Calamity Relief Fund norms irrespective of the size holding i.e. the limitation of existing ceiling area be removed.
3. The Government in the G.O. third read above, among other things, have sanctioned an amount of Rs.200/- Crores for providing compensation towards crop loss in the affected districts.

4. The Principal Secretary/ Commissioner of Revenue Administration has stated that as per reports of the Collectors of flood affected districts a total sum of Rs.387.85 crores is required for providing compensation towards crop loss. He has, therefore, requested to sanction an additional amount of Rs.187.85 crores for distribution of relief to affected farmers for the loss of crops.

5. The Government have examined the proposal of the Principal Secretary/ Commissioner of Revenue Administration and have decided to sanction an additional sum of Rs.100 Crores for providing compensation towards crop loss. The Government accordingly sanction a sum of Rs.100 Crores (Rupees One Hundred Crores only) for providing compensation towards crop loss suffered by the farmers in the districts affected by heavy rains and floods caused by cyclone "NISHA" during November 2008.

6. The expenditure sanctioned in paragraph 5 above shall be debited to the following head of account:

"2245 Relief on account of Natural Calamities - 02 - Floods, Cyclones, etc., 114 - Assistance to farmers for purchase of Agricultural inputs-I Non-Plan-AA Subsidy to small and marginal farmers to Agricultural inputs due to floods -11 subsidy of individuals based subsidy".

7. Necessary additional funds will be provided in RE/FMA 2008-2009. This item of expenditure shall be brought to the notice of the Legislature by specific inclusion in final supplementary estimates for 2008-2009. Pending provision of such funds in RE/FMA 2008-2009, the Principal Secretary/ Commissioner of Revenue Administration is permitted to draw and disburse the amount sanctioned in paragraph 5 above, as per the existing procedure, to the respective District Collectors and send the utilization certificate to the Accountant General/ Government.

8. The Principal Secretary/ Commissioner of Revenue Administration is requested to include this item of expenditure while sending proposal for RE/FMA 2008-2009 without fail.
9. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O. No.8/DS(B)/2009, dated 2-1-2009 and ASL.No.1504 (One Thousand Five hundred and four).

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

K. DEENABANDU,
Principal Secretary to Government.

To

The Principal Secretary / Commissioner Revenue Administration, Chepauk, Chennai-5.
The Director of Agriculture, Chennai-5.
The District Collectors concerned.
The Pay and Accounts Office (East, West, North), Chennai.
The Accountant General, Chennai 18/35.

Copy to:--
The Office of the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Chennai-9
The Agricultural Department, Chennai-9.
The Finance (Rev/ BG.I/BG.II/ B.Coord) Department, Chennai-9.
SF/ SC.

/ Forwarded by Order /

(T. Jayakumaran)
Under Secretary to Government