

DDHCPSB

300
01/07/20

From

Dr. Ajay

To

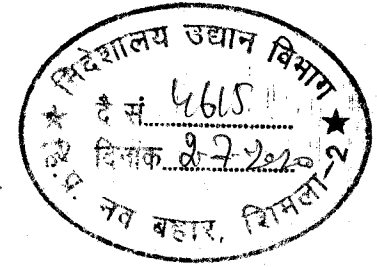
02/7/2020

No. HTC-F(5)-2/2020.
Government of Himachal Pradesh
Department of Horticulture.

The Secretary (Hort.) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh.

The Director of Horticulture,
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2.

Dated: Shimla-2, the



30-06-2020

Subject:

Proposal for providing assistance for the installation of permanent structure of Bamboo or steel for anti-hail nets under "Krishi Utpad Sarankshan (Anti hail nets) Yojna" (KUSHY).

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter no. 5-8/2019(BA)-Udyan-IV, dated 6th May, 2020 on the subject cited above and to convey the approval of the Government for the installation of permanent structure of Bamboo or steel for anti-hail nets under newly launched scheme "Krishi Utpad Sarankshan (Anti hail nets) Yojna" (KUSHY).

You are, therefore, requested to take further necessary action in the matter after completion of all codal formalities. Copy of approved guidelines is enclosed herewith for ready reference.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary (Hort.) to the
Govt. of Himachal Pradesh
☎: 0177-2621715.

Endst No: As above-

Dated: Shimla-2, the

Copy for information and necessary action to:-

1. The Secretary (GAD) to the Govt. of H.P. w.r.t. Item No. 33 discussed in CMM held on 25-06-2020.
2. The Adviser (Planning) H.P. w.r.t. their U.O. No. PLG (PI)1-2/92-XI-Adv-7/20, dated 2nd June, 2020.
3. Guard file.

Secretary (Hort.) to the
Govt. of Himachal Pradesh
☎: 0177-2621715.

Guidelines for the installation of Permanent Structure of Bamboo or Steel for Anti-Hail Nets under "Krishi Utpaad Sarankshan (Anti Hail net) Yojna" (KUSHY) 2020-21.

The weather vagaries like hail storms, frost, drought, heavy rains, fluctuating temperatures etc., act as limiting factors in fruit production. Hailstorm is one of the factor demoralizing the horticultural farmers of the State, as they result in less returns to them vis-à-vis the amount of labour and inputs invested in producing such high value crops otherwise suited for production in the hilly areas. Hailstorms in Himachal Pradesh are one of the major natural calamities resulting in substantial economic loss to the farmers by damaging the horticultural crops, particularly apple, cherry, plum, apricot & peaches and vegetable crops, both qualitatively and quantitatively.

Keeping in view the above mentioned factors, Government of Himachal Pradesh had launched a scheme "Installation of Anti Hail Nets" in which Government is providing 80% assistance to the farmers for the purchase of anti-hail nets. Every year, lot of labour is required for erection of bamboo poles and there is also shortage of skilled labour for this work.

A permanent structure consisting of GI tubular pipes or bamboo poles will reduce the human effort and save the time of farmer as well. The scheme will primarily benefit small & marginal and women farmers of the state, helping them to substantially reduce qualitative and quantitative losses to their horticulture produce. The monetary gains are expected to be approximately Rs. 200 crore with significant contribution to the state GDP.

At present, the Department of Horticulture, HP is providing back ended subsidy to the farmers for the purchase of Anti hail nets @ 50% of cost whichever is less, limited to 5000 sq mtr. per beneficiary under centrally sponsored scheme-Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH). In addition, State Government is providing 30% additional State share, thus a total of 80% subsidy is being provided to the farmers for procurement of anti-hail nets. There is no provision of assistance for the support structure on which the anti-hail net could be installed. Installation of support structure is cost intensive considering hilly terrain of

the State and there has been a strong demand from the farmers to provide assistance for installation of permanent support structures for anti-hail nets.

Keeping above in view, Government of Himachal Pradesh has launched a scheme for installation of permanent structure for anti-hail nets for farmers of Himachal Pradesh.

Modalities for implementation of the scheme

1. Under this scheme, assistance of 50% will be provided to all the categories of farmers.
2. Only bonafide farmers of Himachal Pradesh shall be eligible for availing assistance under the scheme.
3. The maximum limit for availing assistance under this scheme will be restricted to 1.0 ha area per beneficiary.
4. Any kind of practice which may lead to mis-utilization of the subsidy/government funds shall not be allowed. The beneficiary is also required to give a surety bond in this regard. If found so at any stage, beneficiary will be liable to face suitable legal action besides refund of the whole subsidy amount with prevailing rate of interest. The amount disbursed to such beneficiary will be liable to be recovered as arrear of land revenue.
5. The interested farmer will have to apply on the format prescribed under the scheme along with requisite estimates and latest revenue records. The complete application will be submitted to the concerned Horticulture Development/Extension Officer for further advice and necessary action.
6. Before undertaking the installation work, the farmer has to submit an affidavit on prescribed performa.
7. The subsidy claim should invariably comprise of the detailed inspection report of the concerned field officer of the Horticulture Department duly supported by the activity photographs.
8. The Department reserves the right to accept or reject the project proposals or restrict the approval of the project proposal subject to the availability of funds with the department. The decision of Director of Horticulture, H.P. shall be final in this regard.
9. The farmer has to submit the estimated cost of the project along with performa invoice before getting sanction from the departmental authorities:

Sr. No.	Component	Cost Norms (Full cost)	Rate of assistance	Assistance (Maximum Amount)	Remarks
1	Installation of permanent structure of Steel for Anti-hail net	Rs.2,40,000/- for 1.0 hac	50%	Rs. 1,20,000/- for 1.0 ha	Max. assistance up to area of 1 ha.
2	Installation of permanent structure of Bamboo for Anti-hail net	Rs.1,20,000/- for 1.0 hac.	50%	Rs.60,000/- for 1.0 ha	Max. assistance up to area of 1 ha.

Detail of cost norms for this scheme along with subcomponents for 1 ha for both **Steel and Bamboo structure** is attached as Annexure-I. If farmer has an area less than 1.0 hac assistance will be released proportionately. The total budget amounting to Rs. 50.00 Crores will be broadly bifurcated in 60:40 ratio i.e. 60% funds for Steel structure and 40% funds for Bamboo structure. The funds received under this scheme will be allocated to the districts as per field demand and subsidy will be disbursed to the eligible farmers accordingly.

Annexure-I

Construction of permanent structure for Anti Hail Net will be a new parameter in Apple Industry in H.P. and Financial Assistance required for covering approx.5833ha. of area is as under:-

Sr. No.	Component	Cost Norms (Full cost)	Rate of assistance	Pattern of assistance	Phy. (Ha.)	Financial (Rs. Lakhs) in	Remarks
1.	Installation of permanent structure of Steel for Anti-hail Net	Rs.2,40,000/- for 1.0 hac	50%	Rs. 1,20,000/- per 1.0 ha	2500	3000.00	Max. area upto 1.0 ha. only per beneficiary
2.	Installation of permanent structure of Bamboo for Anti-hail Net	Rs.1,20,000/- for 1.0 hac	50%	Rs.60,000/- per 1.0 ha	3333	2000.00	Max. area upto 1.0 ha. only per beneficiary
				Total Budget Outlay :	5833 Ha approx.	5000.00	