

No.1-2/2025-Udyan (M)-
Directorate of Horticulture,
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-02.

From

Director of Horticulture,
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-02.

To

The Managing Director, HPMC,
Nigam Vihar, Shimla- 171002, HP.

Dated: Shimla-2, the

01 NOV 2025

Subject: Market Intervention Scheme (MIS) for procurement of processing grade citrus fruits in Himachal Pradesh during the year 2025-26.

Sir,

Kindly refer to the Secretary (Hort.) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh letter No. HTC-F(1)-2/2022 dated 11.08.2025 on the subject cited above (copy enclosed at Annexure I).

In this context, it is intimated that Himachal Pradesh Government has decided to implement Market Intervention Scheme for procurement of processing grade citrus fruits, viz. Kinnow, Malta (*Sweet Orange*), Santra (*Mandarin Orange*), B & C grade (@ Rs. 12 per Kg), and Galgal (*Hill Lemon*) all grade (@ Rs. 10 per Kg) in Himachal Pradesh during the year 2025-26.

Under the scheme 54 procurement centres will be opened (*List of procurement centres enclosed at Annexure II*) which are to be manned by HPMC only by their own staff. These centres may be opened in phased manner, keeping in view the demand of farmers and availability of fruit in the locality. Guidelines regarding fruit quality parameters, quantity, farmer eligibility, requirement of land records, and operating procedure to be followed at the procurement centres, under the scheme (*enclosed at Annexure III*) may be strictly adhered to by all the in charges of the centres. The guidelines may be displayed at all prominent places, viz. respective Procurement Centres, notice boards and website of the agency.

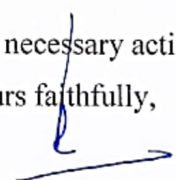
The scheme will be implemented in the State w.e.f. 21.11.2025 to 15.02.2026. Pursuant to this decision, the operations, eg. deployment of staff, packaging, transportation, handling, holding of fruit, etc may be carried out, as per the demand of the fruit growers and harvesting period of the fruit in the respective area. The **Daily procurement report** reflecting category wise no. of beneficiaries (Gen./SC/ST), quantity purchased, dispatched & sale proceed along with the no. of centres **may be shared through email to smohort.hp@gmail.com**.

The consolidated claim on prescribed format (at Annexure IV) duly certified by chartered Accountant may be furnished on the prescribed format **within 30 days after completion of the procurement period**. Further, the **training to the procurement staff** if required may be organized in collaboration with the horticulture department.

This is for favour of information and immediate necessary action, please.

Yours faithfully,

Enclosures: As above (through email only)

(Vinay Singh, IAS,) 
Director of Horticulture,
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla -2.
e mail- horticul-hp@nic.in

Endorsement No.: - as above (through email)

Dated:-

01 NOV 2025

Copy of the above is forwarded to :

1. The Secretary (Hort.) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla 171002 w.r.t. to above referred letter for favour of kind information please.
2. The Senior Private Secretary to the Hon'ble Revenue and Horticulture Minister, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171002 for favour of kind information of the Hon'ble Minister.

3. The Deputy Commissioner, Kangra, Mandi, Una, Hamirpur, Bilaspur, Sirmour, Kullu, Solan and Kullu, HP, for favour of information, please.
4. The Joint Director Horticulture, Central Zone, Mandi and Kangra at Dharamshala for favour of information and necessary action please.
5. Project Director, HPSHIVA, Directorate of Horticulture, Navbahar, Shimla for favour of information and necessary action please.
6. The Deputy Director Horticulture, Kangra, Mandi, Una, Hamirpur, Bilaspur, Sirmour, Solan and Kullu, HP;
7. The Deputy Director Horticulture (P&P) & Information, Directorate of Horticulture, HP, Navbahar, Shimla-171002;
8. The Fruit Technologist, Dhaulakuan, District Sirmour; Navbahar, Shimla; Shamshi, District Kullu; Nagrota Bagwan, District Kangra, HP;
9. The Subject Matter Specialist (Hort.), Fruit Canning Unit, Bilaspur at Nihal, Rajgarh, District Sirmour and Rajpura District Chamba, Himachal Pradesh;
10. SMS (Horti.) Anni, District Kullu; Rajgarh, District Sirmour; Himachal Pradesh for favour of information and necessary action.
11. The Administrative Officer, Directorate of Horticulture, Shimla-2;
12. The Incharge, Udyan-V, Directorate of Horticulture, Shimla-2; for information.
13. In charge IT Cell, Directorate of Horticulture, Himachal Pradesh with the request to upload the same on departmental web portal for wide publicity, please.
14. Private sector processing units established in Himachal Pradesh, for information.

Enclosures: As above (through emailonly)

 Director of Horticulture,
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla -2.

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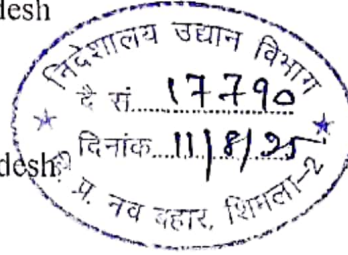
To

ITC-F (1)-2/2022

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

11-08-2025

Subject:

Market Intervention Scheme (MIS) for procurement of Processing Grade Citrus Fruits viz. Kinnow, Malta, Sangtra and Galgal in Himachal Pradesh for the year-2025-26.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter no. 8-4/2021-Udyan(M). dated 23-06-2025 on the subject cited above and to convey the approval of the Government for implementation of Market Intervention Scheme for procurement of processing grade citrus fruits viz. Kinnow, Malta, Sangtra and Galgal in Himachal Pradesh during the year 2025-26 in line with the revised guidelines of Market Intervention Scheme under the umbrella of PM-AASHA issued by Government of India during the year 2024 as under: -

- i. Under the scheme 500 M.T. fruits of Kinnow, Malta & Sangtra will be procured Rs. **12.00 per** Kg of Grade-B and Grade-C and 100 M.T. of Galgal will be procured Rs. 10.00 per Kg.
- ii. As per revised operational guidelines of Market Intervention Scheme, the overhead expenses will be up to a maximum of 25% of Market Intervention Price, which can be reduced as deemed appropriate depending upon nature of crop and prevailing market situation. Therefore, based upon the Market Intervention Price of Rs. 12 per kg, for Kinnow /Malta/Sangtra and Rs. 10 per Kg for galgal maximum permissible overhead expenses are Rs. 3 per kg for Kinnow /Malta/Sangtra and Rs. 2.5 per Kg for Galgal subject to condition that overhead expenses are to be supported by actual payment vouchers/receipts.
- iii. The Assumed Sale Realization has been fixed as Rs. 3.50 per Kg. for Kinnow, Malta, Sangtra and Rs. 2.5 per Kg. for Galgal.
- iv. Under the scheme, 54 fruit collection centers are proposed to be opened as per the demand and more procurement centers will be opened, if required. The procurement agency, i.e. HPMC shall coordinate for setting up of procurement centers on the basis of procurement data for the last 3 to 5 years. The procurement center shall be manned by the procurement agency with their own / outsourced staff, as and when needed according to the availability of fruit in the locality. Subject Matter Specialist (Horticulture) of the concerned jurisdiction or any officer deputed by them shall inspect procurement centers from time to time and check the operations to ensure transparency in the process, proper recordkeeping and real-time reporting. They may visit any of the centers in their jurisdiction at any time.

- v. The fruits under the scheme shall be procured and handled until final disposal in recyclable plastic crates & gunny bags (Kinnow malta/Sangtra in Plastic crate having capacity 15 kg each and for Galgal in Gunny bags having capacity of 40Kg). The fruit may be brought by the farmers up to the procurement center in any suitable packaging material which shall be returned to them.
- vi. Farmers shall be required to provide 2.5% extra fruit (by weight) as an overage to compensate for evaporation and respiration losses during the procurement and handling operations. In a plastic crate of 15 Kgs, 15.375 Kgs Kinnow/Malta/Sangtra fruits will be procured and for gunny bag of 40 Kgs for Galgal, 41 Kgs fruit will be procured, whereas receipt will be issued for 15 Kgs in case of Kinnow/Malta/Sangtra and 40 Kg in case of Galgal fruit.
- vii. This scheme will be implemented in the State from **21-11-2025 to 15-02-2026**.

You are, therefore, requested to give wide publicity to the mentioned decision of the Government through field offices/agencies and the media so that the fruit growers in the State could derive maximum benefit from the Scheme. The implementation report be sent to this Department immediately.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. Vikram Singh, HPAS)
Joint Secretary (Hort.) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh
Ph. No. : 0177-2628483

Endst No: As above-

Dated: Shimla-2, the

Copy for information and necessary action to: -

1. The Deputy Commissioner (MPS), Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.
2. The Special Secretary (Fin.) to the Govt. of H.P w.r.t. File No. Fin-IF © 10-19/2018 - L dated 11-07-2025.
3. The Secretary(GAD) to the Govt. of H.P. w.r.t. Item No. 11 approved in the meeting of CMM held on 29-07-2025.
4. The Managing Director, HPMC, Shimla.
5. The Director, I&PR, H.P., Shimla-02 for vide publicity.
6. The Sr.PS to Hon'ble Horticulture Minister, H.P.
7. Guard file.

Joint Secretary (Hort.) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh
Ph. No. 0177-2628483

Annexure II**List of Citrus Fruit Collection Centres under Market Intervention Scheme 2025**

Name of District	Sr. No.	Name of Collection Centre	Name of District	Sr. No.	Name of Collection Centre
Kangra	1	Baijnath	Mandi	7	Nalsar
	2	Bhogarwan		8	Rewalsar
	3	Bankhandi		9	Sarkaghat
	4	BheduMahadev		10	Shaulikhad
	5	Dhaliara		11	Suradi
	6	Dadasiba		12	Taliyar
	7	Indpur		13	Samrahan
	8	Jachh	Una	1	Amb
	9	Jawalamukhi		2	Bangana
	10	Jawali		3	Gagret
	11	Kandrori		4	Saloh
	12	Khundian		5	Una
	13	KasbaKotla	Hamirpur	1	Bijhri
	14	Lunj		2	Hamirpur
	15	Lambagaon		3	Nadaun
	16	NagrotaBagwan		4	Sujanpur
	17	NagrotaSurian		5	Tarkwari (Bhoranj)
	18	Panchrukhi	Bilaspur	1	Baroha
	19	Pragpur		2	Kalol
	20	Ranital		3	Nihari
	21	Shahpur		4	Nihal
				5	Swarghat
Mandi	1	Baryara	Sirmour	1	Bagthan
	2	Chailchowk		2	Dhaulakuan
	3	Dharampur	Solan	1	Nalagarh
	4	Jarol		2	Parwanoo
	5	Joginder Nagar	Kullu	1	Luri
	6	Kotli			
TOTAL				54	

Annexure III

Guidelines to be followed by farmers at the procurement centers while depositing fruit produce for processing grade citrus fruits under Market Intervention Scheme 2025

1. Fruit quality parameters:

- i. Kinnow /Malta/Sangtra fruit having diameter of above 51 mm and 40 to 50 MM will be consider for “B” and “C” grade respectively.
- ii. Mature ripe fruits of Kinnow /Malta/Sangtra and galgal, should be intact, clean and free from foreign smell/taste, free from fungal infections, insects / pests and other kinds of spoilage.
- iii. Fruits with punctured skin, bird eaten, wind fallen, dried or shrunk,withsevere attack of fungal diseases / insect / pests or rotten fruits would not be accepted.
- iv. Minor defects in shape, blemishes, slight hail damage,russetting etc. would be accepted, such that the fruit is generally fit for processing.

2. Quantity

- i. Kinnowmalta/Sangtrawould be procured in Plastic crate having capacity 15 kg each and for Galgal in Gunny bags having capacity of 40Kg.
- ii. The fruit may be brought by the farmers up to the procurement centerin any suitable packaging material which shall be returned to them.
- iii. Farmers shall be required to provide 2.5% extra fruit (by weight) as anoverage to compensate for evaporation and respiration losses during the procurement and handling operations. In a plastic crate of 15 Kgs, 15.375 Kgs Kinnow/Malta/Sangtra fruits will be procured and for gunny bag of 40 Kgs forGalgal, 41 Kgs fruit will be procured, whereas receipt will be issued for 15 Kgs in case of Kinnow/Malta/Sangtra and 40 Kg in case of Galgal fruit.
- iv. Only such quantity of fruit shall be accepted at the MIS collection centers that is proportionate to the land owned by the farmer and orchard area.

3. Farmer eligibility:

- i. Only those farmers are eligible to supply who belong to the area notified for that procurement center, as well as possess land and orchard area in proportion to the fruit brought to the procurement center.The proof of land (revenue record/Jamabandi) and Udyan Card shall be checked for this purpose.
 - ii. No fruit would be procured from contractors / traders / commission agents etc.
 - iii. In case of procurement from FPOs / FPCs/ Co-operative societies, the complete details of contributing individual farmers shall be provided by the concerned FPO / FPC/ Co-operative society along with their registration details.
4. The procurement price for fruits, as approved by the Government shall be paid to the farmers.

5. Farmers should transport fruits immediately after harvesting to notified MIS collection centers with due care so as not to damage the fruit, just as they would while sending to forwarding agents for retail sale in market yards (*Mandi*).
6. All the expenses for bringing the fruit up to the procurement center, including transportation and unloading of fruits at the procurement center would be borne by the fruit growers.
7. Expenses incurred after the procurement of fruit would be borne by the procurement agency.
8. Farmers are requested to bring the fruits of different varieties in separate crates / packages as far as possible.
9. Fruit procurement at the collection centers shall be done from 10.00 AM to 5.00 PM and centers will remain closed on Sundays. Farmers should bring the fruits to collection centers as per the date and time decided and communicated by the incharge, so that procured fruits can be further dispatched/transported at the earliest without spoilage.

Guidelines for Operating Procedures to be followed at Procurement Centers

1. Procurement personnel should weigh the fruits properly and ensure correct quantity.
2. The proof of land (revenue record/Jamabandi) and Udyan Card shall be uploaded by the procurement personnel, along with other farmer details, on MIS software or copy of same shall be retained by the incharge.
3. The name of procurement center and its code shall be marked with red paint near the tying area of the plastic crate at the time of collection.
4. The crates/gunny bags should be handled with proper care since the same material can be used for at least three years more.
5. The Incharge of the collection center shall issue receipt to the farmer only after thoroughly checking the fruits. Incharge of collection center reserves the right to reject the fruits if these do not fulfil the quality standards fixed for procurement under MIS.
6. Only the receipt issued by the Incharge of the collection center duly signed/stamped by the incharge in lieu of collected fruits shall be valid for any claims. The farmers shall not be entitled to any claims for a receipt issued by any other person or officer.

7. The number of crates as well as quantity of fruits shall be mentioned in figures as well as words on the receipt and the same shall be duly signed with date by both the incharge of the collection center as well as the farmer.
8. The incharge shall ensure to handover and take receipt for the stocks procured / stored at the center from the night duty security/watchman before leaving the collection center, and the same shall be cross checked the following morning before beginning procurement for the day.
9. The in-charge should hold fruits in such a way as to protect from sun and rain to avoid any spoilage till it is transported further. Normally, no fruit shall be stored at the procurement center and it should be disposed immediately. In case of likely chances of holiday (s), the produce received till that day shall be transported to the next destination, i.e. processing unit, CA/cold store or auction center.
10. For the temporary holding of fruits tarpaulin should be erected in such a way that there is gap of 5 feet between height of tarpaulin and plastic crates. This is required for proper ventilation and reduce the impact of heat during the holding time at centre.
11. The procurement agencies shall ensure to equip the collection centers with tarpaulin, weighing machine, and other materials required for procurement.
12. Incharges of the collection centers shall record the details of procurement in real time on Management Information System, and report daily (except on Sundays and gazetted holidays) the details of procured and transported fruits to sub office/ office of procurement agency and Directorate of Horticulture, HP.
13. Both farmers and the officers deputed for MIS are required to ensure transparency in the procurement process, in case of any irregularity both shall be held responsible jointly.
14. If any farmer/ antisocial element misbehaves with the incharge of the collection center, or pressurizes the incharge to accept fruits not meeting quality, quantity and eligibility criteria forcefully at the collection center, then the incharge is authorized to close the collection center and report the incident to the procurement agency as well as Directorate of Horticulture.
15. Subject Matter Specialist (Horticulture) of the concerned jurisdiction or any officer deputed by them shall inspect procurement centers and check the operations to ensure transparency in the process, proper recordkeeping and real-time reporting. They may visit any of the centers in their jurisdiction at any time.

Annexure IV**Abstract of claim document submitted in respect of implementation of Market Intervention Scheme - 2025 for procurement of Citrus****Annexure IV (A)****Profit/ Loss account (certified by Chartered Accountant)**

1. Name of fruit
 - i. Quantity procured (in Kgs)
 - ii. Value of procured fruit (in Rs.)
2. Overhead and handling expenses (in Rs.)
3. Total expenses including the value of fruits (in Rs.).
4. Quantity processed/sold for processing units/ plants (in Kgs).
5. Realization from processing (in Rs.).
6. Quantity sold in Markets (in Kgs)
7. Sale Proceeds obtained (in Rs.).
8. Total realization from processing/sale of citrus (in Rs.).
9. Loss (3-8) (in Rs.).

Annexure IV (B)**District-wise/ Centre-wise detail of procurement, dispatch and balance, if any with justification**

Name of District	Name of Centre	Quantity Procured (in Kgs)	Quantity Dispatched (in Kgs)	Quantity in Balance, if any (in Kgs)

Annexure IV (C)**Agency-wise fortnightly procurement of citrus**

S No	Fortnight Period/ Date	Quantity Procured (in M.T.)	Total Quantity (in M.T.)
1.	21.11.2025 to 30.11.2025		
2.	01.12.2025 to 15.12.2025		
3.	16.12.2025 to 31.12.2025		
4.	01.01.2026 to 14.01.2026		
5.	16.01.2024 to 31.01.2026		
6.	01.02.2026 to 15.02.2026		
GRAND TOTAL			

Annexure IV (D)**Detail of expenses incurred & amount realized in the sale of processing grade citrus fruits to the processing units**

Date	Name of Processing Plant/unit/firm to whom sold	Particulars of expenses	Amount incurred/ spent (in Rs.)	Quantity (in Kgs)	Sale obtained (in Rs.)

Annexure IV (E)**Details of expenses incurred & amount realized while selling citrus fruits in various markets**

Date	Name & address of traders to whom fruit consigned	Particulars of expenses incurred in marketing of fruits	Amount incurred/ spent (inRs.)	Quantity (in Kgs)	Sale realization obtained (inRs.)

Annexure IV (F)**Detail of farmers benefitted (as per instruction issued by Government)**

S No	Name & full address of the Beneficiaries benefitted under the scheme	Category (Gen / SC / ST)	Udyan Card No. of Beneficiaries	Land Holding (in Bigha)	Quantity (in kgs.)	Value of the fruits (inRs.)