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Government of India  
Ministry of Agriculture  
Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.  
Dated the 2<sup>nd</sup> July, 2015

To

The Secretary,  
Incharge of Fisheries,  
Government of \_\_\_\_\_  
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Subject:- Implementation of Centrally Sponsored Scheme on "Development of Inland Fisheries and Aquaculture" in States/UTs as Central Sector Scheme during 2015-16 - Administrative Approval - reg.

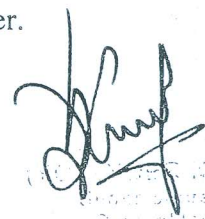
Sir,

I am directed to convey the administrative approval of the Government of India for implementation of the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on "Development of Inland Fisheries and Aquaculture" as Central Sector Scheme during financial year 2015-16 at an outlay of ₹36.65 crore (Rupees Thirty six crore and sixty five lakh only) Approved components under the Scheme are (i) Development of Freshwater Aquaculture; (ii) Development of Brackishwater Aquaculture; (iii) Coldwater Fisheries and Aquaculture; (iv) Development of Waterlogged Areas; (v) Productive Utilization of Inland Saline/Alkaline Soils for Aquaculture; and (vi) Integrated Development of Inland Capture Resources (reservoirs/rivers etc.); (vii) Innovative Projects(new component). Items of activities, unit costs as well as rates and extent of subsidies corresponding to each component are given in Annexures I to VII.

2. The expenditure on assistance for developmental activities will be shared on 75:25 basis by the Government of India and the State Governments in respect of all aforesaid components. In addition, States/UTs will be required to bear full cost of staff salary including any increase, maintenance of vehicle, office contingencies and acquisition of land etc. wherever necessary. The cost towards purchase of vehicles will however, be continued to be shared on 50:50 basis between the Government of India and the State/UT Governments. In case of UTs & FISHCOPFED, 100% funding will be allowed towards subsidies. It may be ensured that 16.2% and 8% of funds are targeted for SC and ST farmers/beneficiaries respectively under Scheduled Castes Special Plan (SCSP) and Tribal Sub Plan (TSP) as per directive of Planning Commission (Niti Aayog).

3. A ceiling of 40% of the capital cost of the project will be effective in all infrastructure projects in general areas and 55% in North-Eastern and hilly areas till further orders.

4. All components under the Scheme will be provided assistance in the form of subsidy for identified activities to individual beneficiary, self-help groups, women groups, fishery cooperative societies and the National Federation of Fishermen's Cooperative Limited (FISHCOPFED). Funds will be channelized to these entities through State Government and funds to FISHCOPFED will be sanctioned directly by the Department. Priority will be accorded to SHGs and Cooperatives to implement the Scheme and access funding there under.



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5. Subsidy on the approved items will be provided through outlays earmarked under Scheme and balance amounts for cost of the projects for these items may be obtained as loans, made available to beneficiary through FFDAs/BFDAs, States/UTs (Fisheries Department) or from lead banks/ participating banks. Subsidy for all approved items under this scheme can also be given to a beneficiary if the remaining cost of items is contributed by beneficiary from own resources and the same is duly certified by the FFDAs/BFDAs, States/UTs Fisheries Department.

6. State/UT Governments are requested to send their proposals, complete in all aspects for various components under the Scheme. The proposals must be accompanied by detailed progress reports of the central share released during the preceding years and reasons for shortfalls, if any, etc. The availability of budgetary provision in the State Budget should be specifically indicated in the proposal. In addition, the State/UT Governments and FISHCOPFED will have to furnish an undertaking that no funding has been accessed by the agency for the same project either from National Fisheries Development Board (NFDB) or any other agency/agencies. Besides, States would be urged to ensure effective extension services and technical guidance in collaboration with ICAR institutes. State Government should explore the possibility of convergence of this Scheme with the Scheme of the Ministry of Rural Development such as National Rural Employment Guarantee Programme (NREGP). Similarly, involvement of Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) should be explored to the extent feasible for effective implementation of the Scheme. Preference should be given to the fish farmers belonging to the Below Poverty Line (BPL) category in the implementation of the Scheme by the State Governments and UTs.

7. Quarterly/Annual progress reports indicating physical and financial achievements shall be furnished periodically in the prescribed proforma which have been earlier communicated to the State/UT Governments. Details of beneficiaries and area covered under the Scheme should be placed on the Department's web site and should also be mentioned the progress report.

8. The accounts of the Implementing agency shall be subject to audit by Chartered Accountants appointed by the agency and/or by such other officers of Government of India/State/UT Governments as required under the rules and report should be intimated to this Ministry.

9. This issues with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division vide their Dy No.300/AS&FA/2015 dated 30/06/2015 and approval of competent authority in this Department.

Yours faithfully,

(Yoginder Kumar)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

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Encl: As above

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3. Managing Director, National Federation of Fishermen's Cooperative Ltd., 7-A, Sarita Vihar Institutional Area, New Delhi-110076.
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## Development of Freshwater Aquaculture (FFDA's) Ongoing component

Sl. No.	Description of items	Rate (*)
1.	Construction of new ponds/tanks	₹.3 lakh per ha in the plain areas. Subsidy @ 20% with a ceiling of Rs. 60,000/-ha for all farmers except SCs/STs for whom it will be Rs.75,000/ha (25%).  ₹4 lakh/ha in the hill States/Districts and North-Eastern Region. Subsidy @ 20% with a ceiling of Rs.80000/ha for all farmers except SCs/STs for whom it will be Rs.1,00,000/ha (25%)
2.	Reclamation/Renovation of ponds/tanks	₹75,000/ha. Subsidy @ 20% with a ceiling of Rs.15,000/ha for all farmers except SCs/STs for whom it will be Rs.18,750/ha (25%)
3.	Cost of inputs	a)Finfish Culture Rs.50,000/ha. Subsidy @ 20% with a ceiling of Rs.10,000/ha for all farmers except SCs/STs for whom it will be Rs. 12,500/ha (25%)  b) Freshwater prawn/trout culture – Unit cost Rs.1.8 lakh/ha; Subsidy @ 20% with a ceiling of Rs.36,000/- per ha except for SC/ST for whom it will be Rs.45,000/ha @ 25%.
4.	Freshwater fish seed hatchery	Rs.12 lakh for a fish seed hatchery with 10 million (fry) capacity for the plain areas and Rs.16 lakh for same capacity in the hill States/Districts and North-Eastern Region . Subsidy @10% with a ceiling of Rs.1.2 lakh and Rs.1.6 lakh in the plain and hilly areas respectively to entrepreneurs only.
5.	Fish feed units	Small Units – Unit cost is Rs.7.5 lakh with a capacity of 1.2 quintals/day. The subsidy would be @ 20% with a ceiling of Rs.1.5 lakh per unit to entrepreneurs.
6.	Establishment of Trout and freshwater Prawn seed hatchery	(i)Unit cost of Rs.30 lakh for a large freshwater prawn hatchery with a minimum capacity of 25 million PL/year. This would be one time grant to the States for establishment of hatchery at State level.  (ii)Unit cost is Rs.12.00 lakh for a small hatchery of 5-10 million PL/year capacity. Subsidy @ 20% with a ceiling of Rs.2.40 lakh to entrepreneurs as one time grant.
7.	Provision of soil and water testing kits to each FFDA	Unit cost of each Soil and Water Testing Kit at Rs.40,000/-. The kits are sanctioned once to each FFDA as one time grant.
8.	Setting up of integrated units, including hatcheries for ornamental fishes	Unit cost is Rs.15 lakh, which include hatchery of 5-10 m (fry) capacity. Subsidy @10% with a maximum ceiling of Rs.1.50 lakh to all categories of fish farmers.

9.	Brood banks for ornamental fishes	Rs.25 lakh per unit including a farm; transport arrangements for dissemination. Available for the State Governments
10.	Ornamental/fish seed certification	Rs.25 lakh per unit including fish holding facilities and disease diagnostic laboratories. Available for the State Governments.
11.	Transportation of fish/prawn seed	This will be applicable only for the hill States/districts and North-Easter Region. Subsidy @ Rs.30/- for 1,000 fry transported to all FFDA's. Not applicable to individual fish farmers.
12.	Purchase of vehicle	50% cost of vehicle for each new FFDA and 50% cost for the replaced vehicle (second vehicle)

- Expenditure on all items above except purchase of vehicles (item No.12) will be shared on 75:25 basis between Government of India and State. In case of UTs. expenditure will be born to the extent of 100 per cent.
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- The above assistance under FFDA programme is available only one to a beneficiary.
- Subsidy for the construction of new ponds and tanks, reclamation/renovation of ponds/tanks and first year inputs to an individual beneficiary up to 5 ha is available with or without institutional finance in the plain area and 1.0 ha in the hill States/Districts on pro rata basis.



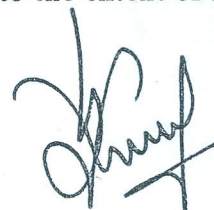


Annexure-II

**Development of Brackishwater Aquaculture – Ongoing Component**

Sl. No.	Description of Items	Rate
1.	Renovation or construction of brackishwater fish farms	Beneficiaries will be small shrimp farmers having Land holding of 2 ha or less. 25% cost subject to a maximum of Rs.60,000/- per ha as subsidy.
2.	Establishment of Demonstration –cum-Training Center	One time GOI's share of grants amounting to Rs.5.00 lakh.
3.	Network of Diagnostic Laboratories for Aquatic Animal Health	100% expenditure will be incurred by the Centre

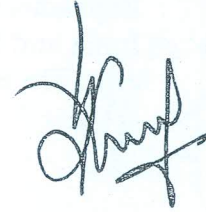
Expenditure on items 1 to 2 above will be shared on 75:25 basis between Govt. of India and States. In case of UTs, expenditure will be borne to the extent of 100 per cent. On item No. 3, 100% expenditure will be borne by GOI.



**Coldwater Fisheries and Aquaculture – On going Component**

Sl. No.	Description of Items	Rate
1.	Farming units for coldwater fish species.	Unit cost of Rs.50,000/- for a unit size – 15m x 2m x 1m. Subsidy to beneficiaries @ 20% with a maximum ceiling of Rs.10,000/- per unit.
2.	Units for running water fish culture	Unit cost of inputs Rs.60,000/-. Subsidy to beneficiaries @ 20% with a ceiling of Rs.12,000/- unit
3.	Feed units	Rs.15 lakh per unit as one time grant to State Governments
4.	Purchase of vehicle	Purchase of one vehicle under the scheme is allowed. Expenditure to be shared on 50:50 basis by the Centre and the States.

\* Expenditure on items from 1 to 3 above will be shared on 75:25 basis between Government of India and States. On item No.4 above will be shared on 50:50 basis.



**Development of Waterlogged Areas – On going Component**

Sl. No.	Description of Items	Rate
1.	Development of Waterlogged areas	Unit cost Rs.2.0 lakh/ha. Subsidy @ 20% to the beneficiary with a ceiling of Rs.40,000/- per ha.
2.	Inputs (fish/prawn) seed, feed, Manure, fertilizers, preventing measures for disease, transportation charges, etc.)	Unit cost Rs. 75,000/- per Subsidy @ 20% to the beneficiary Ceiling of Rs.15,000/- per ha.

Expenditure on items above will be shared on 75:25 basis between Government of India and States.

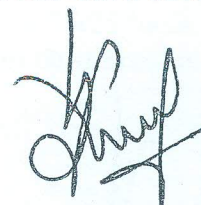


Annexure-V

**Productive Utilization of Inland Saline/Alkaline Waters for aquaculture – On going Component**

Sl. No.	Description of Items	Rate
1.	Cost for construction	Unit cost Rs.3.0 lakh/ha. Subsidy @20% with ceiling of Rs.60,000/- per ha.
2.	Input cost	Unit cost Rs 1 lakh/ha Subsidy @ 20% with a ceiling of Rs.20,000/- per ha.

Expenditure on items above will be shared on 75:25 basis between Govt. of India and States.





**Inland Capture Fisheries (Reservoirs/Rivers etc.) - On going component**

Sl. No.	Description of Items	Rate
1.	Fish Seed Rearing Units/Seed Rearing Units.  Cages/pens with inputs One cage (3x3x2) one	Unit cost Rs.3.0 lakh/ha Subsidy @ 20% to the beneficiary/State Government/ FISHCOPFED etc. with a ceiling of Rs.60,000/- per ha  Unit cost Rs.25,000/-. Subsidy @ 20% to the beneficiary/ State Government/FISHCOPFED etc. with a ceiling of Rs.5,000/- per unit.
2.	Input cost (seed, feed, manures, Fertilizers, preventive measures for disease etc.)	Unit cost Rs.30,000/- per ha (one time) Subsidy @ 20% to the beneficiaries/State Government/ FISHCOPFED with a ceiling of Rs.6000/- per ha
3.	Craft and gear (nets, boats etc.). This should be shared by Group of beneficiary.	Unit cost Rs.15,000/- Subsidy @ 20% with a ceiling of Rs. 3,000/- per unit.
4.	Construction of landing centers	Unit cost Rs. 1,00,000/- per landing center. Assistance to State Government.
5.	Riverine Fisheries Conservation And Awareness Programme	Financial assistance to State Government for conservation/river ranching etc. with a maximum ceiling of Rs.2 lakh in a year.

Expenditure on all above items will be shared on 75:25 basis by Centre or State.



Innovative Projects (New Component)

One new component has been added to the Scheme for the 11<sup>th</sup> Plan. This is called "Innovative Projects". Fisheries sector development necessitates setting up a number of projects or undertaking activities where standardized costs and specifications may not be a pragmatic way of tapping the resource potential. Most often these activities vary in size. Facilities being made available and their location specific requirements. For such projects/activities, a case by case approach is required where the standardized unit costs and level of assistance may somewhat deviate from the guideline. Such projects/activities are proposed to be covered under the innovative category. An indicative list is as follows:

- i) Integrated Fish Farming.
- ii) Training and capacity building in new technology in inland aquaculture.
- iii) Establishment of laboratories at State level for testing water and soil quality, fish health investigations etc.
- iv) Preparation of specific resource survey report/feasibility report etc.
- v) Construction, renovation extension for remodeling of existing fish farms.
- vi) Initiatives for restoring traditional migratory routes of fish in rivers and waterways through appropriate intervention etc.

Funding pattern will be in the ratio of 75:25 between Central & State Government towards subsidy of the unit cost.

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