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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Assistance to pastoralists under DAHD schemes- reg.

The undersigned is directed to enclose a note on different schemes of Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying, Government of India under which assistance can be provided to pastoralists for your kind information and necessary action please.

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A. Assistance to pastoralists under National Livestock Mission (NLM)

1. Trainings, Capacity Building, Awareness generation, IEC activities:

The State may avail central assistance for providing trainings on scientific livestock rearing to the pastoralists under Activity II of Sub-mission on Innovation and Extension of NLM.

Under this activity/component assistance is provided for IEC activities like seminar, training and capacity Building, Livestock Farmers Groups/Breeder's Association, Organization of various promotional activities related to Animal Husbandry, scheme promotion etc. at State, Central and Regional Level, Operationalization of Farmers Field Schools, Exposure Visit for Livestock Extension Facilitators (LEF), Exposure Visit of farmer, Staff component of livestock Extension, Demonstration Activities, Creating awareness through social media and audio visual support, extension education and creation of literature on livestock extension etc. The information can be disseminated through various platforms such as audio-visual aids (TV and radio shows and talks), social media, hoardings, panels, Kiosks, printed materials etc.

Funding pattern:

- i. For conducting events of scheme promotion, dissemination of knowledge and related activities for promoting animal husbandry at Block, District and State Level, the assistance will be provided up to Rupees one lakh, two lakh and three lakh for each Block, District and State for conducting of each event depending on the availability of fund. The funding pattern will be 60: 40 for all States except NER & Himalayan States, where it will be 90:10
- ii. For conducting events of scheme promotion, dissemination of knowledge and related activities for promoting animal husbandry in the Regional and Central Level, 100% assistance will be provided.
- iii. For training and capacity buildings 100% funding will be provided for carrying out training for entrepreneurship, Poultry Management, Scientific Poultry Production, scientific rearing of sheep goat and pig, Artificial Insemination technology for sheep & goat and pig, feed and fodder development
- iv. For IEC activities funding will be provided to the State Animal Husbandry Department for publication of posters, pamphlets, publications and audio-visual media.
- v. 100% Funding will be provided to the Central Government Agencies and Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying for creating awareness on the Schemes implemented by the Central Government and matters related to creating awareness on Animal Husbandry Development.

The States having pastoralist population may develop extension activities suitable for awareness generation in pastoralist community and avail central assistance under this activity.

1. Livestock Insurance

The State may avail central assistance for providing the benefit of Livestock Insurance to the pastoralists under Activity II of Sub-mission on Innovation and Extension of NLM. It will help in minimizing the life risks of valuable animals of the pastoralists and managing uncertainties by

providing protection mechanisms against any eventual loss of animal life. It will demonstrate the benefit of the insurance of livestock to them.

The indigenous / crossbred milch animals, pack animals (Horses, Donkey, Mules, Camels, Ponies and Cattle/ Buffalo Male), and other Livestock (Goat, Sheep, Pigs, Rabbit, Yak and Mithun etc.) will be under the purview of this component.

Benefit of subsidy is restricted to 5 animals per beneficiary per household for all animals except for sheep, goat, pig and rabbit, where the benefit will be restricted to 5 cattle units (1 cattle unit = 10 sheep/goat/pig/rabbit) or 50 sheep, goat, pig and rabbit.

Funding pattern:

Subsidy for insurance premium will be paid as per following:

NORMAL AREAS

| Category | Central Share | State Share | Beneficiary Share |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------|
| BPL / SC / ST | 40% | 30% | 30% |
| APL | 25% | 25% | 50% |

NORTH EAST REGION /HIMALAYAN STATES

| Category | Central Share | State Share | Beneficiary Share |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------|
| BPL / SC / ST | 50% | 30% | 20% |
| APL | 35% | 25% | 40% |

UNION TERRITORIES

| Category | Central Share | State Share | Beneficiary Share |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------|
| BPL / SC / ST | 80% | NIL | 20% |
| APL | 60% | NIL | 40% |

2. Innovation Activities

Under Activity I of Sub-mission on Innovation and Extension of NLM, there is provision of incentivizing innovative projects and activities and to contribute to sustainable livestock farming.

Assistance is provided to the ICAR, Central Institutes, State Government University farms and other credible institutions involved in research in the sheep, goat, poultry, pig and feed and fodder sector for research and development. Assistance can also be provided for innovative activities for development of the sector and also technology transfer.

The Start-ups will also be incentivized for problem solving in the sheep, goat, poultry, pig, feed and fodder. The individual and other organizations intended for seeking assistance for innovative projects need to get the project approved from the concerned State Animal Husbandry and forwarded through the SLEC.

Funding pattern: 100% central assistance

Under this component innovative activities for betterment of livelihood of pastoralists or their environment may be promoted and incentivized. States may forward proposal in this regard.

3. NLM Entrepreneurship scheme

In this scheme 50% capital subsidy is provided for establishing fodder processing unit or breeding farm of rural poultry, sheep/goat and pig.

This scheme may not directly benefit the pastoralists but fodder processing units can be established by any Individuals/ Self Help Group (SHG)/Farmers Producer organizations (FPO)/Farmers Cooperatives (FCOs)/Joint Liability Groups (JLGs) and Section 8 companies at strategic location near migratory routes and subsidized under NLM EDP scheme. Processed fodder can be made available to pastoralists during lean seasons like winter when there will be shortage of fodder in natural grazing lands. The fodder processing units will get a ready market access and the pastoralists may have access to nutritious feed source at lesser costs.

B. Assistance to pastoralists under Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development (AHIDF)

The AHIDF scheme provides 3% interest subventions for establishing the dairy processing and value addition infrastructure, meat processing and value addition infrastructure and Animal Feed Plant. The investments by individual entrepreneurs, private companies, MSME, Farmers Producers Organizations (FPOs) and Section 8 companies are eligible for obtaining the benefit of the scheme.

Dairy and meat processing units established at a strategic location and incentivised under AHIDF scheme can provide a ready market and higher price for their produce. A FPO or cooperative can be formed with the members of pastoralist community for managing the processing centre.

C. Assistance to pastoralists under Rashtriya Gokul Mission

(i) Organization of farmer awareness programme:

For creation of awareness among the farmers, assistance is available under the scheme and same may be made available to pastoralist by the States participating under the scheme. The component include assistance for organization of farmers training programme farmers training programme, fertility camps, publication of leaflets and pamphlets, milk yield competitions, calf rallies, workshops and seminars, development of audio video aids, wall paintings etc. All other extension activities required for creation of farmer awareness programme is admissible under the scheme. 100% grant-in-aid is made available under the scheme.

(ii) Nationwide Artificial Insemination Programme (NAIP)

Pastoralist may also participate under Nationwide AI programme being implemented in 604 districts with less than 50% AI coverage. Under the programme AI services are made available free of cost at farmers doorstep.

D. Assistance to pastoralists under Livestock Health Scheme

1. Providing better health care through Mobile Veterinary Units (MVU)

In order to increase accessibility of veterinary services at farmer's doorsteps, funds for Mobile Veterinary Units (MVUs) is provided to the States/UTs. These MVUs will be customized fabricated vehicles for veterinary healthcare with equipment for diagnosis, treatment & minor surgery, audio visual aids and other basic requirements for treatment of animals. The vehicle would preferably be a four-wheeler van with space enough to accommodate required equipment for diagnosis (microscope, portable X-ray machines, etc. wherever required), medicines, surgical equipment, sample collection and animal handling paraphernalia, working space for 1 veterinarian, 1 para-veterinarian and a driver-cum-attendant along with necessary equipment.

These Mobile Veterinary Units (MVUs) can be employed to provide prophylaxis and basic healthcare facility to the pastoralist herds along the migratory route.

2. Assistance to States for Control of Animal Diseases (ASCAD) and Peste des Petits Ruminants Eradication Programme (PPR-EP)

Central assistance for providing deworming and prophylaxis to Peste des Petits Ruminants (PPR) and other infectious diseases can be obtained under ASCAD and PPR-EP program of DAHD.

Under the ASCAD scheme, paraprofessionals or vaccinators amongst pastoralists can be trained to carry out basic preventive and first-aid measures under the supervision and guidance of veterinarian.

E. Provision of Kisan Credit Cards to pastoralists:

It has been decided that Banks will organize special camps in the country from 15th September, 2022 to provide KCC to pastoralists, landless animal husbandry farmers and fisherman/fish farmers. The District Administration, DFS and D/o AHD and D/o Fisheries will handhold the campaign for maximum saturation.