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Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture
Department of Agriculture & Cooperation

Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM


Sub: **Subsidy for notified TL Hybrid Rice seeds under the component promoting 'Hybrid Rice Seed' under "Development and Strengthening of Infrastructural Facilities for Production and Distribution of Quality Seeds, a Central Sector Scheme".**

The Government of India provides production and distribution subsidy for hybrid rice seed @ Rs. 20/- and Rs. 25/- per kg respectively for notified hybrids under the above scheme. The State Department of Agriculture, State Seeds Corporation, State Agricultural Universities, NSC, SFCI and private seed companies are eligible for assistance. The guidelines of the schemes were circulated to all concerned by this Departments letter of even number dated 23rd March, 2006. In continuation to the above letter it is clarified that the assistance is admissible for both certified and TL Seed, as long as the TL Seed is of a notified hybrid.

The following procedure/process will henceforth be followed with regard to approving subsidy for notified TL hybrid rice seed:

1. The State will certify that adequate certified notified hybrid seed is not available during the current season. The requirement and availability position of certified hybrid seed reported by the States in the Zonal Seed Meetings will form the basis of assessing such need for notified TL seed.
2. A technical committee constituted under the Chairpersonship of Agriculture Production Commissioner/Principal Secretary (Agri)/Secretary (Agri) will assess the actual requirement of notified TL hybrid rice seed. The Committee shall include representatives from the State Agriculture Department, SAUs, SSCs, SSCAs and other agencies considered necessary.
3. The Technical Committee will recommend the particular variety, quantity, source etc. of the notified TL hybrid seed for the agricultural season.

4. The concerned States Governments/seed producing agencies/procurement agencies will comply with appropriate safeguards about quality of seeds at their level including testing/GOT etc. to ensure the performance of the seed.
5. A sample of each lot will be taken and retained by the concerned agency/State for future reference.
6. The State/agency will ensure that the admissible subsidy is passed on to the farmers.
7. Selling price of hybrid rice produced by public sector seed producing agencies viz. NSC and SFCI, or SSCs could be the indicative price for ensuring reasonable price to the farmers.


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To: -

1. All the State Governments.
2. NSC/SFCI New Delhi.
3. All State Seeds Corporations.
4. DG,ICAR/Director, Directorate of Rice Research (ICAR) Hyderabad.
5. National Seed Association of India, Vishal Tower, Janak Puri, New Delhi.
6. JS, NFSM/RKVY/MMA.
7. DC(Seeds)/DC(QC)/AC(Seeds)