

GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMER'S WELFARE

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From: Shri Sibhi C. Sadhu, IAS,
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Subject: Corrigendum to the scheme dated 15th June 2022 and corrigendum dated 29th July 2022
for Meghalaya Agriculture Response Vehicle Scheme

Sir,

The Meghalaya Agriculture Response Vehicle Scheme was notified vide notification No: Agri @ 45/2022/1 dated 15th June 2022 and subsequently a corrigendum was notified on 29th July 2022. Based on stakeholder consultations, requests and suggestions received, following revisions and additions are hereby made to the guidelines of the mentioned scheme and the corrigendum issued by Department of Agriculture and Farmer's Welfare:-

Existing Clause	Revised/Added Clause
1.7 Financing Plan 4. Quantum and Nature of Financial Assistance b) EMI support: To reduce the burden of the operational cost on the beneficiaries in the first two years of his business, Agriculture Department, GoM will support the beneficiary by paying a. 85% of the EMI in the first 6 months b. 45% of the EMI for 7-12 months	1.7 Financing Plan 4. Quantum and Nature of Financial Assistance b) EMI support: To reduce the burden of the operational cost on the beneficiaries in the first two years of his business, Agriculture Department, GoM will support the beneficiary by paying (tentative) a. 85% of the EMI in the first 6 months b. 45% of the EMI for 7-12 months c. 25% of the EMI for 13-24 months

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<p>c. 35% of the EMI for 13-24 months</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The % support of EMI mentioned may change due to prevailing bank interest at the time of loan disbursement ▪ A moratorium period of two (2) months shall be applicable at the beginning of the loan term.
<p>1.8 Financial Aid Disbursement method</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Down-payment support from the GoM will be transferred to the bank branch in favour of the loanee within 30 days of receipt of validation. ▪ In case the beneficiary fails to procure the vehicle within two months of receipt of validation, the same shall return to the department account. ▪ Financial Support in EMI will be deposited to the loanee's account based on the assessment of the following criteria. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Whether the vehicle is being used for the transportation of agricultural products when there is a demand. 2. Whether the vehicle driver is responding to the calls made from the PMU. 3. Vehicle owner must submit a copy of the service receipt book at the District Agriculture Office every month. 4. Vehicle shall clock a minimum of 400 km/month for transportation of agriculture products as per the records of GPS and service receipt book. 5. Farmers in the respective area of operation of a vehicle are found to be satisfied with 	<p>1.8 Financial Aid Disbursement method</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Down-payment support from the Department of Agriculture and Farmer's Welfare shall be transferred to the department's account in the bank after the receipt of loan confirmation from the bank. ▪ In case the beneficiary fails to procure the vehicle within two months of receipt of validation, the same shall return to the department account. ▪ EMI support from the Department of Agriculture and Farmer's Welfare shall be transferred to the bank every month before the EMI date.

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<p>the transportation services. Assessment shall be done by the government representatives.</p> <p>6. Vehicle is found to be in good condition as per the certificate of inspection by the government representative.</p>	
<p>1.8 a) Responsibilities of an ARV owner</p> <p>Before getting the ARV</p> <p>All beneficiaries of the Agriculture Response Vehicles must adhere to the terms and conditions defined by the Department of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare, GoM. The terms and conditions will be formulated by the department before handing over the vehicles, based on inputs received from the District Agricultural Officer/District Horticulture Officer. However, it is recommended that the terms shall cover the following Dos and Don'ts of the usage of the vehicle</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Area of an ARV's operation ▪ Vehicle maintenance ▪ Monthly submission of necessary documents to District Agricultural Office ▪ Terms and conditions of contract cancellation <p>After taking the ARV:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. ARV driver shall respond to the calls of the customers on his registered mobile number and provide transportation services for agricultural products whenever demand arises 2. Vehicle driver must provide to every customer 	<p>1.8 a) Signing of the Beneficiary Agreement</p> <p>All beneficiaries of the Agriculture Response Vehicles shall sign on the 'Beneficiary Agreement' issued jointly by the department and the bank. Beneficiary agreement shall contain the following points.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The vehicle owner shall get its vehicle empanelled with 1917iTeams 2. The vehicle shall provide services primarily to the agriculture logistics on demand 3. The booking calls requested by 1917iTeams shall not be denied unless the vehicle is having pre or ongoing engagement 4. Functioning of the GPS <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. GPS shall not be tempered b. Malfunctioned GPS shall be replaced immediately when informed by 1917iTeams c. Any additional cost related to the functioning of the device must be borne by the vehicle owner 5. The vehicle shall be maintained well and shall be kept cleaned 6. In any case, should the vehicle met with an