

FAQ ON HORTICULTURE SCHEMES

1. STATE PLAN SCHEMES:

VEGETABLE DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

1. What is the key objective of the scheme?

To promote vegetable production through HYV seeds/Hybrids/Improved/Open Pollinated seedlings, including assistance to farmers.

2. What is the type of assistance/service?

(i) The Scheme assists in providing hybrid, HYV and OP quality vegetable seed etc. to farmers at subsidized rate.

(ii) Providing poly houses to farmers for production of off- season and high value vegetables under protected cultivation

(iii) To assist farmers in trellis making for squash and other creeper vegetables with locally available materials like bamboo wood etc.

3. What is the pattern of assistance?

i) 50% sale subsidy of hybrid, HYV and OP quality vegetable seeds, tools & implements.

ii) 100% assistance for 100sqm per unit area of poly house.

iii) 100% assistance limited to 200 sqm per beneficiary in trellis making.

4. Who can apply for the scheme?

Bona fide small and marginal farmers.

5. How to apply for the scheme?

Bona fide farmers can apply in plain paper through the nearest Horticulture Development Officer of a CD Block/ Horticulture Circle/ District Horticulture Officer.

6. What is the beneficiaries' selection procedure?

Bona fide farmers on first come first serve basis.

7. Whom to contact?

(i) District Horticulture Officer

(ii) Horticulture Development Officer.

FRUIT DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

1. What is the key objective of the scheme?

To promote fruit cultivation and Citrus rejuvenation of senile orchards by providing inputs and infrastructure support including Training and capacity building to farmers.

2. What is the type of assistance and entitlement?

(i) The Scheme assists in providing good quality planting materials including horticultural tools and implements at subsidized rates for promoting fruit cultivation.

(ii) Providing organic based plant protection measures for Citrus rejuvenation programme of senile orchards.

(iii) To assist farmers by providing permanent trellis system for creeper fruit plants like Kiwi, Grapes etc, however, planting and erecting trellis are to be done by farmers themselves.

(iv) Training and capacity building of farmers.

3. What is the pattern of assistance?

i) 50% subsidy sale of planting materials, horticultural tools & implements.

ii) 100% assistance for citrus rejuvenation programme.

iii) 75% assistance limited to 500 sqm per beneficiary for permanent trellis.

4. Who can apply for the scheme?

Bona fide farmers engaged in Agriculture possessing own or leased land of 0.2hectare or more.

5. How to apply for the scheme?

Bona fide farmers can apply in plain paper through the nearest Horticulture Development Officer of a CD Block/ Horticulture Circle/ District Horticulture Officer.

6. What is the beneficiaries' selection procedure?

Bona fide farmers on first come first serve basis.

7. Whom to contact?

(i) District Horticulture Officer

(ii) Horticulture Development Officer.

TUBER DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

1. What is the key objective of the scheme?

The key objective of the Scheme is to boost production and productivity of potato per unit area by providing quality HYV Tuber seeds, equipments and Organic based Plant Protection measures. The Scheme also aims to popularize and encourage cultivation of tapioca, colocasia, sweet potato etc.

2. What is the type of assistance/service?

Providing quality HYV seed, organic based plant protection measures and plant protection equipments.

3. What is the pattern of assistance?

50% subsidy on tuber seeds, equipments and Organic based Plant Protection measures.

4. Who can apply for the scheme?

Bona fide farmers engaged in Agriculture possessing own or leased land of 0.2hectare or more.

5. How to apply for the scheme?

Bona fide farmers can apply in plain paper through the nearest Horticulture Development Officer

of a CD Block/ Horticulture Circle/ District Horticulture Officer.

6. What is the beneficiaries' selection procedure?

Bona fide farmers on first come first serve basis.

7. Whom to contact?

- (i) District Horticulture Officer
- (ii) Horticulture Development Officer.

TEA DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

1. What is the key objective of the scheme?

- (i) To carry out experimental plantation of tea for the possibility of finding ways to grow tea economically and in commercial scale as well.
- (ii) Raising seedlings in the experimental station for distribution to farmers.
- (iii) Encouraging Organic Certification on a cluster based approach.
- (iv) Training and capacity building to Tea growers.

2. What is the type of assistance/service?

Providing tea seedlings, bio-pesticides, bio-fungicides, plant protection equipments, brush cutters, harvesters' etc. One time financial assistance @ Rs10000/- per hectare and training and capacity building is also provided to the Tea growers.

3. What is the pattern of assistance?

- (i) Sale @ Re1/- per seedling
- (ii) One time financial assistance @ Rs10000/- per hectare.
- (iii) 50% subsidy on bio-fertilizers bio-pesticides, bio-fungicides, plant protection equipments, brush cutters, harvesters' etc.
- (iv) Cost of Certification Fee.

4. Who can apply for the scheme?

Bona fide farmers engaged in Agriculture owning agricultural land or leased land up to 2 hectares.

5. How to apply for the scheme?

Bona fide farmers can apply in plain paper through the nearest Horticulture Development Officer of a CD Block/ Horticulture Circle/ District Horticulture Officer.

6. What is the beneficiaries' selection procedure?

Bona fide farmers on first come first serve basis.

7. Whom to contact?

- (i) District Horticulture Officer
- (ii) Horticulture Development Officer.

PLANT PROTECTION SCHEME

1. What is the key objective of the scheme?

To mobilize and support farmers to use bio-pesticides and bio-agents for plant health management through distribution of bio-pesticides and other IPM tools and through sale of Sprayers and Plant Protection Equipments to encourage organic crop production.

2. What is the type of assistance/service?

The scheme provides bio-pesticides, bio-agents and other IPM tools (Fly traps, sticky traps, baffle traps, light traps etc and Plant Protection Equipments).

3. What is the pattern of assistance?

- (i) Free distribution of bio-pesticides and bio-agents
- (ii) 50% subsidy on sale of plant protection equipments.

4. Who can apply for the scheme?

Bona fide farmers engaged in Agriculture owning agricultural land or leased land of at least 0.2 hectares or more.

5. How to apply for the scheme?

Bona fide farmers can apply in plain paper through the nearest Horticulture Development Officer of a CD Block/ Horticulture Circle/ District Horticulture Officer.

6. What is the beneficiaries' selection procedure?

Bona fide farmers on first come first serve basis.

7. Whom to contact?

- (i) District Horticulture Officer.
- (ii) Horticulture Development Officer.

PLANTATION CROP DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

1. What is the key objective of the scheme?

To increase the area and production of all plantation crops like Arecanut, Cashewnut, Coconut etc, and to provide planting materials and infrastructure support (construction of soakage tank) for Arecanut growers.

2. What is the type of assistance/service?

The scheme provides planting materials, poly-pipes and financial assistance for construction of Arecanut soakage tank.

3. What is the pattern of assistance?

- (i) 50% subsidy on sale of planting materials and poly-pipes.
- (ii) 50% subsidy for construction of Arecanut soakage tank.

4. Who can apply for the scheme?

Bona fide farmers engaged in Agriculture owning agricultural land or leased land. of at least 0.2

hectares or more.

5. How to apply for the scheme?

Bona fide farmers can apply in plain paper through the nearest Horticulture Development Officer of a CD Block/ Horticulture Circle/ District Horticulture Officer.

6. What is the beneficiaries' selection procedure?

Bona fide farmers on first come first serve basis.

7. Whom to contact?

- (i) District Horticulture Officer
- (ii) Horticulture Development Officer.

SPICE DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

1. What is the key objective of the Scheme?

To encourage farmers to produce good quality and diseased free planting materials and to grow improved varieties of high yielding spices

2. What is the type of assistance/service?

NA

3. What is the pattern of assistance?

NA.

The produce from the Government farm, Umsning are sold directly to the growers through District Horticulture Officers/implementing Officers at full rate.

4. Who can apply for the scheme?

Bona fide farmers engaged in Agriculture owning agricultural land or leased land of at least 0.2 hectares or more.

5. How to apply for the scheme?

Bona fide farmers can apply in plain paper through the nearest Horticulture Development Officer of a CD Block/ Horticulture Circle/ District Horticulture Officer.

6. What is the beneficiaries' selection procedure?

Bona fide farmers on first come first serve basis.

7. Whom to contact?

- (i) District Horticulture Officer
- (ii) Horticulture Development Officer.

FLORICULTURE DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

1. What is the key objective of the scheme?

To motivate the farmers to take up floriculture (traditional and nontraditional flowers) as commercial venture through protected cultivation to augment their income.

2. What is the type of assistance/service?

The scheme provides low cost poly house, drip irrigation and good quality flower planting materials including organic fertilizers, micro nutrients and organic based Plant Protection measures.

3. What is the pattern of assistance?

- (i) 50% subsidy on flower planting materials.
- (ii) Low cost poly-house free of cost for a minimum area of 100sqm/unit.
- (iii) Free distribution of Organic Manures/ Fertilizers & Organic Based Plant Protection measures.
- (iv) 50% subsidy on shade net, UV film, watering can etc

4. Who can apply for the scheme?

All Bona fide farmers engaged in Agriculture..

5. How to apply for the scheme?

Bona fide farmers can apply in plain paper through the nearest Horticulture Development Officer of a CD Block/ Horticulture Circle/ District Horticulture Officer.

6. What is the beneficiaries' selection procedure?

Bona fide farmers having minimum area of 0.2 hectares willing to invest for future expansion in terms of planting materials, infrastructure etc.

7. Whom to contact?

- (i) District Horticulture Officer
- (ii) Horticulture Development Officer.

DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF ORCHARD CUM HORTI NURSERIES

1. What is the key objective of the scheme?

For production and multiplication of good quality high yielding, diseased free planting materials in the Government farms for sale through District Horticulture Officer and introduction of new high yielding varieties of mother plants, suitable to the different areas of the State.

2. What is the type of assistance/service?

Training, awareness program, extension & technology support.

3. Who can apply for the scheme?

Bona fide farmers owning agricultural land or leased land of at least 200 sqms.

4. How to apply for the scheme?

Bona fide farmers can apply in plain paper through the nearest Horticulture Development Officer of a CD Block/ Horticulture Circle/ District Horticulture Officer.

5. What is the beneficiaries' selection procedure?

Bona fide farmers on first come first basis.

6. Whom to contact?

- (i) District Horticulture Officer
- (ii) Horticulture Development Officer.

MAINTENANCE OF HORTI –HUBS

1. What is the key objective of the scheme?

To procure and multiply good quality disease free and commercially accepted varieties of the identified flowers and to serve as a demonstration cum training ground for those who intend to earn their livelihood through Floriculture.

2. What is the type of assistance/service?

Training & capacity building.

3. What is the pattern of assistance?

NA.

4. How to apply for the scheme?

Bona fide farmers can apply in plain paper through the nearest Horticulture Development Officer of a CD Block/ Horticulture Circle/ District Horticulture Officer

5. What is the beneficiaries' selection procedure?

Bona fide farmers on first come first basis.

6. Whom to contact?

- (i) District Horticulture Officer
- (ii) Horticulture Development Officer.

REGIONAL CENTRE FOR TRAINING AND PRODUCTION OF MUSHROOM

1. What is the key objective of the scheme?

To train farmers in the method of mushroom cultivation, to supply quality spawn and pasteurized compost to farmers.

2. What is the type of assistance/service?

- (i) Supply of Button, Oyster spawns
- (ii) Supply of compost to Mushroom growers.
- (iii) Construction of compost shed (under Assistant Director of Horticulture, Mushroom

Development Centre, Upper Shillong).

(iv) Financial assistance to Mushroom growers under District Horticulture Officer, West Garo Hills.

3. What is the pattern of assistance?

- (i) Mushroom spawns at 50% subsidy.
- (ii) Compost at 50% subsidy.
- (iii) Construction of compost shed-50% assistance
- (iv) Financial assistance to Mushroom growers @ Rs 30,000/- per unit

4. Who can apply for the scheme?

Bona fide farmers engaged in Agriculture owning agricultural land or leased land of at least 0.2 hectares or more.

5. How to apply for the scheme?

Bona fide farmers can apply in plain paper through the nearest Horticulture Development Officer of a CD Block/ Horticulture Circle/ District Horticulture Officer.

6. What is the beneficiaries' selection procedure?

Bona fide and progressive farmers on first come first basis.

7. Whom to contact?

- (i) District Horticulture Officer
- (ii) Horticulture Development Officer.

AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SCHEME

1. What is the key objective of the Scheme?

The key objective of the Scheme is to support farmers in Post Harvest Handling of produce..

2. What is the type of assistance/services?

Providing Metallic Bins, Plastic Crates, Display Racks, Beam Scale, Packaging Materials, Digital Weighing Machine, Turmeric Slices, Strawberry Pullets etc.

3. What is the pattern of assistance?

50% subsidy on the sale of Post Harvest Handling Materials.

4. Who can apply for the scheme

Bona fide farmers & entrepreneurs

5. What is the beneficiaries' selection procedure?

Bona fide and progressive farmers on first come first basis.

6. Whom to contact?

- (i) District Horticulture Officer.
- (ii) Horticulture Development Officer.

ORGANIC MANURE SCHEME

- 1. What is the key objective of the Scheme?**
 - (i) To promote organic farming in the State
 - (ii) To reduce the use of Chemical Fertilizer
 - (iii) To promote and to create awareness on the advantages Organic Manures & Bio Fertilizers.
- 2. What is the type of assistance/services?**
Distribution of organic Manures for demonstration in farmers fields.
- 3. What is the pattern of assistance?**
Fully funded under the Scheme.
- 4. Who can apply for the scheme**
Bona fide farmers & entrepreneurs
- 5. What is the beneficiaries' selection procedure?**
Bona fide and progressive farmers on first come first basis.
- 6. Whom to contact?**
 - (i) District Horticulture Officer
 - (ii) Horticulture Development Officer.

FRUIT PROCESSING SCHEME (UNDER DIRECTORATE OF FRUIT PROCESSING)

- 1. What is the key objective of the scheme?**
 - (i) To manufacture quality processed fruit products such as squashes, jams, jellies, canned fruits and juices under the trade name "Meg" fruit products and to disseminate technical knowhow to youths, entrepreneurs, farmers and housewives through practical demonstration.
 - (ii) To offer a platform to local farmers in converting their suppliers fruits and vegetables to processed edible forms.
 - (iii) To provide Training & Technical support in internship & project work to students undergoing BSc Hort/Agri/Food Technology, MBA etc
- 2. What is the type of assistance/service?**
Awareness, training and capacity building on fruit and vegetable processing.
- 3. Who can apply for the scheme?**
Educated unemployed youths, budding entrepreneurs and students undergoing BSc Hort/Agri/Food Technology, MBA etc
- 4. How to apply for the scheme?**
Bona fide farmers can apply in plain paper through the nearest Horticulture Development Officer of a CD Block/ Horticulture Circle/ District Horticulture Officer.

5. What is the beneficiaries' selection procedure?

Selection is done on a first come first basis.

6. Whom to contact?

- i) Sector Officer, Directorate of Horticulture
- ii) District Horticulture Officer.
- iii) Assistant Director of Horticulture/c FP Centers.
- iv) Horticulture Development Officer.

2. CENTRALLY SPONSORED SCHEMES:

MISSION FOR INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT OF HORTICULTURE (MIDH)
SUB SCHEME HORTICULTURE MISSION FOR NORTH EAST AND
HIMALAYAN REGION (HMNEH)

1. What is the key objective of the scheme?

- (i) To promote holistic growth of Horticulture sector through promotion, extension, post-harvest management, processing and marketing.
- (ii) To encourage aggregation of farmers into farmer groups like FIGs/FPOs and FPCs to bring economy of scale and scope, enhance horticulture production, augment farmers' income and strengthen nutritional security.
- (iii) To improve productivity by way of quality germplasm, planting material and water use efficiency through Micro Irrigation, support skill development and create employment generation opportunities for rural youth in horticulture and post-harvest management.

2. What is the type of assistance/service?

- Financial Assistance & training and demonstration for (Human Resources Development)
- (i) 50% assistance for production of planting materials, area expansion, water harvesting unit, protected cultivation (Poly-house, Poly-tunnels etc)
 - (ii) 50-55% assistance for Integrated Post Harvest Management Infrastructure
 - (iii) 40% assistance for Mushroom Cultivation & Bee Keeping

3. Who can apply for the scheme?

Bona fide farmers engaged in Agriculture, possessing own or leased land of at least 0.2 (hectares) or more.

4. How to apply for the scheme?

Bona fide farmers can apply in plain paper through the nearest Horticulture Development Officer of a CD Block/ Horticulture Circle/ District Horticulture Officer.

5. What is the beneficiaries' selection procedure?

Bona fide and progressive farmers on first come first basis.

6. Whom to contact?

- 1) Managing Director, MgSFAC
- 2) District Horticulture Officer

- 3) Horticulture Development Officer.

MISSION ORGANIC

1. What is the key objective of the scheme?

To promote nature friendly scientific farming systems and practices that are economically viable, energy efficient and oriented towards the conservation of the environment and to empower rural communities building upon indigenous and traditional knowledge, skills and practices.

2. What is the type of assistance/service?

Technology assistance, hand holding, institutional building, Organic Certification for major crops like Arecanut, Pineapple, Black Pepper, Orange, Turmeric, Ginger, Cashewnut.

3. What is the pattern of assistance?

100% assistance from Adoption Certification

4. Who can apply for the scheme?

Bona fide farmers engaged in Agriculture, possessing own or leased land.

5. How to apply for the scheme?

Bona fide farmers can apply in plain paper through the nearest Horticulture Development Officer of a CD Block/ Horticulture Circle/ District Horticulture Officer.

6. What is the beneficiaries' selection procedure?

Bona fide farmers and farmers' group.

7. Whom to contact?

- 1) Director of Horticulture
- 2) Joint Director of Horticulture.
- 3) District Horticulture Officer
- 4) Horticulture Development Officer

MISSION ORGANIC VALUE CHAIN DEVELOPMENT NORTH EASTERN REGION (MOVCDNER)

1) What is the key objective of the scheme?

To develop certified organic production in a value chain mode to link growers with consumers and to support the development of entire value chain starting from inputs, seeds etc, certification to creation of facilities for collection, aggregation, processing, marketing and brand building initiative and to provide handholding, (Internal Control System) ICS management, documentation and organic certification through Participatory Guarantee System (PGS)/Third party system under National Programme for Organic Production (NPOP).

2) What is the type of assistance/service?

Technology assistance, hand holding, institutional building, Organic Crop Certification, Extension, Training, Group information.

3) What is the pattern of assistance?

100% assistance from adoption conversion certification marketing, value processing etc

4) Who can apply for the scheme?

Bona fide farmers engaged in Agriculture, possessing own or leased land with a minimum area of 1 hectare.

5) How to apply for the scheme?

Bona fide farmers can apply in plain paper through the nearest Horticulture Development Officer of a CD Block/ Horticulture Circle/ District Horticulture Officer.

6) What is the beneficiaries' selection procedure?

Bona fide farmers on a first come first basis.

7) Whom to contact?

- 1) Director of Horticulture.
- 2) Joint Director of Horticulture.
- 3) District Horticulture Officer.
- 4) Horticulture Development Officer.