

No. 11017/29/2021-PMI-II (Part-1) [e-34602] भारत सरकार/Government of India

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्रालय/Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers (उर्वरक विभाग/Department of Fertilizers)

शास्त्री भवन/Shastri Bhawan, नई दिल्ली/ New Delhi-1

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दिनांक/Dated: 20th September, 2023

कार्यालय ज्ञापन/OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Policy on Promotion of Organic Fertilizers - Regarding

The undersigned is directed to convey the approval of the Government of India for promotion of organic fertilizers as per details below:

- 2. The Market Development Assistance @ ₹1,500/MT will be provided to promote organic fertilizers, produced at plants under umbrella Galvanizing Organic Bio-Agro Resources Dhan (GOBARdhan) initiative covering different Biogas/CBG support schemes/programmes of stakeholder Ministries/Departments such as Sustainable Alternative Towards Affordable Transportation (SATAT) scheme of Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas (MoP&NG), 'Waste to Energy' programme of Ministry of New & Renewable Energy (MNRE), Swachh Bharat Mission (Grameen) of Department of Drinking Water & Sanitation (DDWS), etc.
- 3. All manufacturing-cum-marketing entities including CBG/Bio-gas operators, marketers/distributors under umbrella GOBARdhan initiative; and registered on Unified GOBARdhan portal of Department of Drinking Water & Sanitation (DDWS); and Fertilizer Marketing Companies marketing their organic fertilizers, shall be eligible for Market Development Assistance (MDA) for promotion of organic fertilizers, subject to their organic fertilizers conforming to specifications as per Fertilizer (Control) Order [FCO], 1985, as amended from time to time.
- 3.1 The registration of the manufacturing plants with the Unified GOBARdhan portal of the Department of Drinking Water & Sanitation and the organic fertilizers produced conforming to specifications as per Fertilizer Control Order (FCO), 1985 as amended from time to time, are pre-requisite conditions for availing Market Development Assistance.
- 4. There will be a corpus for gap funding/research to be utilized only by Central/State Research Institutes or non-private fertilizer cooperatives.
- 5. A Steering Committee chaired by Secretary (Fertilizers) and comprising of atleast Joint Secretary level officers from the Department of Expenditure, NITI Aayog, Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Department of Drinking Water & Sanitation, Ministry of New & Renewable Energy, Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs, Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas, and Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying will oversee operational aspects and detailed guidelines for Market Development Assistance including packaging size, retail price, manner of disbursement of MDA, subject to the approval of Hon'ble Minister of Chemicals & Fertilizers on the recommendations of the Steering Committee.

- 6. The provision of Market Development Assistance (MDA)/Corpus is for three years (FY 2023-24 to FY 2025-26).
- 7. The Market Development Assistance (MDA) of ₹1,500/MT on sale of organic fertilizers produced at plants under umbrella GOBARdhan initiative shall be applicable with effect from 1st April, 2023 or the date of actual sales captured on iFMS, whichever is later.
- 8. This issues in partial modification of this Department's O.M. No. 11017/29/2021-PMI-II (Part-1) [e-34602], dated 18^{th} July, 2023 read with O.M. No. 11017/29/2021-PMI-II [e-30275], dated 24^{th} August, 2023.
- 9. The detailed guidelines follow.

10. This issues with the approval of Hon'ble Minister of Chemicals & Fertilizers.

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- (iii) Secretary, Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
- (iv) Secretary, Ministry of New & Renewable Energy, Atal Akshay Urja Bhawan, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi.
- (v) Secretary, Department of Expenditure (Ministry of Finance), North Block, New Delhi.
- (vi) Senior Adviser, NITI Aayog, NITI Bhawan, Sansad Marg, New Delhi.
- (vii) Secretary, Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi.
- (viii) Secretary, Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying (Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying), Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
- (ix) Chief Secretaries of all States/UTs.
- (x) Director (FS), Department of Fertilizers, Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi.
- (xi) Director (Agriculture)/Commissioner (Agriculture) of all State Governments/UTs Administration.
- (xii) CMD/MD of all Fertiliser Marketing Companies.
- (xiii) CMD/MD of all Biogas/CBG plants.
- (xiv) All Officers of Department of Fertilizers.
- (xv) Director (NIC), Department of Fertilizers.
- (xvi) Deputy Secretary (IT), Department of Fertilizers for uploading on website.
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- (i) PS to Hon'ble Minister of Chemicals & Fertilizers.
- (ii) PS to Hon'ble Minister of State for Chemicals & Fertilizers.
- (iii) PPS to Secretary, Department of Fertilizers.
- (iv) PPS to Additional Secretary & Financial Adviser, Department of Fertilizers.
- (v) PPS to Additional Secretary, Department of Fertilizers.