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Subject: Purchase of Stubble Clearing and Super Seeder Machines under MPLADS-reg.

References have been received from several quarters for allowing purchase of Stubble Clearing and Super Seeder Machines under MPLADS on account of conditions of public health emergency arising every year before the onset of Winter Season. The proposal has been examined in consultation with M/o Agriculture and Farmers Welfare and affected State Governments. Keeping in view the health benefits that would accrue to the general public during the crop harvesting season by way of reduction of hospitalization and treatment expenses due to foul air quality, it has been decided to allow purchase of Stubble Clearing and Super Seeder machines under MPLADS subject to the availability of fund and fulfilment of Para 3.15 and 3.27 of the MPLADS Guidelines. Since the Scheme has been made non-operational by the Cabinet for the year 2020-21 and 2021-22, no additional funds would be provided for the procurement of the above stated machines.

Accordingly, a new Para 21 is hereby inserted in Annexure-IIA of the extant MPLADS Guidelines which may henceforth be read as under:

“21. Purchase of Stubble Clearing and Super Seeder Machines, subject to a ceiling of Rs. 25 Lakh per annum per Constituency, is permissible under MPLADS subject to the following conditions:

- (i) *The purchase of the machines shall be made on the basis of recommendations of Hon'ble Members. Where multiple Members have opted for a single Constituency, District Authority shall ensure that the ceiling of purchase is not breached for the overall Constituency.*
- (ii) *The specifications of the machines shall exactly be as prescribed by M/o Agriculture and Farmers Welfare from time to time.*

- (iii) Operations of the machines shall be highly localized i.e. within the Constituency itself. Recommendations of purchase of the machines for areas outside the Constituency shall be deemed inadmissible.
- (iv) District Authority shall decide the appropriate user agency for custody and maintenance of the machines in accordance with relevant rules of the State Government. Prior commitment in this regard should be forthcoming from the user agency. The State Government will ensure that the utilization of the machine should be undertaken in equitable manner and not for monopolization by a few by following the guidelines and instructions of the state government from time to time.
- (v) District Authority shall, in a manner as prescribed by the State Government, formulate necessary terms and conditions for the user agencies to ensure fair, just and equitable allotment of such machines, which are in running condition, to the intended beneficiaries by factoring in local demand vis-a-vis availability. The machines may be allotted on daily hourly-rental basis. Rents may be fixed in an appropriate manner as prescribed by the State Government. The proceeds of rents so collected from the beneficiaries shall be deposited in a dedicated account opened by the District Authority exclusively for the purpose. The pooled amount shall be utilized to supplement the user agency's efforts for maintenance/upkeep of the machines.
- (vi) Utilization of these machines amounting to commercial activity in any manner shall not be allowed under any circumstances.
- (vii) State Government shall mandatorily get an independent audit done, on an annual basis, of purchase of these machines."

2. Hindi Version of this Circular shall follow.
3. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

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