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- (എ) നാളികേരബോർഡിന്റെ യോഗങ്ങളിൽ കേരളത്തിന്റെ പ്രതിനിധി തുടർച്ചയായി പങ്കെടുക്കാതിരുന്നതുമൂലം സംസ്ഥാന ത്തിന് അഞ്ഞൂറുകോടിയോളം രൂപയുടെ സഹായം ലഭിക്കാതായി എന്ന റിപ്പോർട്ടകൾ ശ്രദ്ധയിൽ വന്നിട്ടണ്ടോ;
- (ബി) നാളികേര ബോർഡ്, തെങ്ങുകൃഷിയുള്ള സംസ്ഥാനങ്ങൾക്ക് എന്തൊക്കെ സഹായങ്ങളാണ് നൽകാറുള്ളതെന്നും 2005 മുതൽ 2010 വരെയുള്ള കാലഘട്ട ത്തിൽ സംസ്ഥാനത്തിന് ബോർഡിൽ നിന്നും ലഭിച്ച സഹായത്തിന്റെ കണക്ക് വെളിപ്പെടുത്തുമോ;
- (സി) സംസ്ഥാന പ്രതിനിധി പങ്കെടുക്കാതിരുന്നതിന്റെ കാരണം അന്വേഷിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടോ; എങ്കിൽ വിശദമാക്കുമോ?

(എ) ശ്രദ്ധയിൽപ്പെട്ടിട്ടില്ല.

(ബി) നാളികേര ബോർഡ്, തെങ്ങുകൃഷിയുള്ള സംസ്ഥാനങ്ങൾക്ക് നൽകുന്ന സഹായങ്ങൾ അനുബന്ധം l ൽ കാണാവുന്നതാണ്.

> 2005 മുതൽ 2010 വരെയുള്ള കാലഘട്ടത്തിൽ സംസ്ഥാനത്തിന് ബോർഡിൽ നിന്നും ലഭിച്ച സഹായത്തിന്റെ കണക്ക് അനുബന്ധം 2 ൽ കാണാവുന്നതാണ്

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Annexure -1

Schemes of Coconut Development Board

The Coconut Development Board has been implementing various development programmes for the Integrated Development of Coconut Industry in the country. The major programs that are being implemented by the Board are;

- A. Normal Schemes
- 1. Production and Distribution of Planting Materials
 - a) Establishment of Demonstration-cum-Seed Production Farms for Coconut
 - b) Establishment of Regional Coconut Nurseries
 - c) Distribution of Hybrids/Dwarf Seedlings in Govt/Pvt sector
 - d) Establishment of Nucleus Coconut Seed Garden
 - e) Establishment of Small Coconut Nurseries
- 2. Expansion of Area under Coconut
- 3. Integrated Farming in coconut holdings for productivity improvement
 - a) Laying out Demonstration Plots
 - b) Aid to Organic Manure Units
- 4. Technology Demonstration/Quality Testing Lab
- 5. Marketing, market Intelligent services, Statistics and Strengthening of Export Promotion Council
- 6. Information & Information Technology
- 7. Technical Service and Project Management
- 8. Infrastructure and Administration
- B. Technology Mission on Coconut
 - C. Rejuvenation and Replanting
 - D. Coconut Palm Insurance Scheme
 - E. Kera Suraksha Insurance Scheme
 - F. Establishment of Research & Development Centre
 - A. Normal schemes
 - 1. Production and distribution of planting material
 - a) Establishment of Demonstration cum Seed Production (DSP) Farms in different parts of the country for creating infrastructure facilities for production of quality planting materials besides demonstrating and educating the scientific coconut cultivation and processing to various stake holders in those regions. The Board has established 9 DSP Farms in the States of Kerala, Karnataka, Tamilnadu, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Bihar, Assam, Chatisgarh and Odisha. The new DSP farm at Dhali, Udumalpet, Tamil Nadu has started during current financial year. The land for farm has been identified in Tripura. Commercial nurseries are established attached to all DSP Farms of the Board for the production and supply of quality coconut seedlings of released varieties.

cstablishment of Regional Coconut Nurseries: Extending support to the participating States for strengthening the seedling production programme of the concerned States by establishing Regional Coconut Nurseries by way of extending financial assistance on 50:50 basis. As per the revised guidelines of MIDH, the pattern of assistance is 50% of the cost of Rs.32/- per seedling.

- c) Production & distribution of hybrids & local cultivars: The scheme for the production and distribution of quality planting material of hybrids and local recommended cultivars is implemented through various State Agri./Hort. Depts. on 50:50 sharing basis and realizing back the 50 percent share of receipts. As per the revised guidelines of MIDH, the pattern of assistance is 25% of the cost of Rs.36/- per seedling for a maximum of 25000 seedlings per acre.
- d) Establishment of Nucleus Coconut Seed Garden: The scheme is for developing infrastructure for continuous production of quality coconut seedlings in different States. Assistance is provided for establishing the seed gardens @ 25% of the total expenditure incurred limited to a maximum of Rs.6 lakhs over a period of 3 years.
- e) Establishment of Small Coconut Nurseries: The Board was providing financial assistances at the rate of Rs.2.00 lakhs or 25% of the cost of production of seedlings whichever is less and is disbursed in two equal annual installments. As per the revised guidelines of MIDH, the assistance is 100% of the cost. Minimum eligible subsidy is Rs.50,000/- for a unit to produce at least 6250 certified coconut seedlings annually and the maximum limit of subsidy of Rs.2.00 lakhs is to produce at least 25,000 certified quality seedlings per annum.

2. Expansion of Area under Coconut

The objective of the programme is to extend adequate technical and financial support to the farmers to take up coconut cultivation on scientific lines in potential areas to attain a significant achievement in the future production potential. For establishment of new plantations subsidy of Rs.8,000/- per hectare in two years as two equal installments was being provided. As per the revised guidelines of MIDH, the assistance is revised as follows: Normal area: 25% of the cost of Rs.26,000/-,Rs.27,000/- and Rs.30, 000/- per ha for Tall, Hybrid and Dwarf respectively. Hilly and scheduled areas: 25% of the cost of Rs.55,000/-,Rs.55,000/- and Rs.60,000/- per ha for Tall, Hybrid and Dwarf respectively.

3. Integrated Farming for Productivity Improvement

The objective of the programme is to improve production and productivity of the coconut holdings through an integrated approach and thereby increasing the net income from unit holdings with the following component programmes.

- (a) Laying out of Demonstration Plots: Financial assistance of Rs.35,000/- per hectare in two annual installments is provided for adoption of integrated management practices in disease affected gardens. The objective of the programme is to encourage the farmers to adopt the technology developed for the management of disease affected coconut gardens. The Demonstration Plots will also help motivate farmers in adoption of result oriented production technologies.
- (b) Assistance for Organic Manure Units: To promote the use of organic manure like vermicompost, coir pith compost etc in coconut holdings. As per the revised guidelines of MIDH, the assistance is revised as 100% of the cost of Rs.60,000/- per unit

4, Technology Demonstration

The Coconut Development Board has one Technology Development Centre at Vazhakulam (Kerala) and three Technology Demonstration and Training Centres at Vazhakulam (Kerala), Neriamangalam (Kerala) and Guwahati (Assam). In the Demonstration and Training Centres, entrepreneurs and self help groups are being given training on post harvest coconut processing and value addition in coconut. A full fledged Quality Testing Laboratory (QTL) is operating at the Technology Development Centre, Vazhakulam (Kerala) for Chemical and microbial analysis of coconut based products. The Laboratory is equipped with advanced analytical instruments and modern facilities as per NABL requirements to carry out chemical/microbiological tests of coconut based products.

. Marketing, market Intelligent services, Statistics and Strengthening of Export Promotion Council

- a) Market information and intelligence service
- b) Modernisation of coconut processing by the introduction of improved copra dryer/other processing machineries/equipment
- c) Surveys and Evaluation Studies
- d) Export Promotion Council

Farmers Producers organization

The Board has initiated the formation of Coconut Producer Societies (CPS) by associating 40-100 coconut growers in a contiguous area with a consolidated minimum of 4000-5000 palms. The objective is socio economic upliftment of the farmers through productivity improvement, cost reduction, efficient collective marketing and processing and product diversification. The Board is facilitating formation of Coconut Producers Federation (CPF) by aggregation of 20-25 CPSs as its members and having 1,00,000 bearing palms, and further to Producer Company(PC) having 10 CPFs and 10.00,000 bearing palms.

6. Information and Information Technology

The Board has several programmes under information technology and HRD with a view to disseminate information on various aspects of coconut cultivation and industry through various media, publication etc besides organizing training programmes to impart skills and knowledge to farmers, unemployed youths and rural women in various fields related to coconut. For recognizing out standing performance in coconut sector a scheme of National Award is also being implemented biannually. Production of publications, undertaking multimedia product promotional campaigns, participation in exhibitions and fairs, management of MIS in the organization etc; are the major activities undertaken under the scheme. To create awareness about the activities of the Board and health aspects of coconuts and coconut products, Board participates in exhibitions, seminars etc.

Friends of Coconut tree

With a serious view to tackle the problem of acute shortage of trained coconut palm climbers for harvesting and plant protection activities, the Board is conducting a massive program, "Friends of Coconut Tree" to train underemployed youth in developing special skills and confidence in coconut palm climbing and plant protection activities for the benefit of the coconut community as a whole.

7. Infrastructure & Administration including Technical Services & Project Management

B. Technology Mission on Coconut

The Technology Mission gives stress for the development of technologies for the management of insect pest and disease affected gardens and product diversification besides demonstration and promotion of these technologies for adoption. Market research and promotion are given due importance in the programme with a view to create wide market for various coconut products. The Mission addresses only the missing links in the existing programmes with focused attention to achieve the goal of the Mission.

C. Replanting and Rejuvenation of Coconut Gardens.

Government of India had sanctioned a Pilot project for Replanting and Rejuvenation of Coconut gardens in the districts of Thiruvananthapuram, Kollam and Thrissur in Kerala and Andaman & Nicobar Islands at a total cost of Rs.2275.64 crores with a Central subsidy of Rs.478.504 crores for implementation during 2009-10 to 2011-12. The scheme period was extended

2012-13 and 2013-14 for clearing the pending activities under the scheme. The main objective the scheme is to enhance the productivity and production of coconut by removal of disease advanced, unproductive, old and senile palms and rejuvenating the remaining palms.

Based on the results of the pilot project, Government of India has approved the extension of the project 'Replanting and Rejuvenation of coconut gardens' to the remaining 11 districts of Kerala viz., Alapuzha, Kottayam, Pathanamthitta, Ernakulam, Idukki, Malappuram, Palakkad, Kozhikode, Wynad, Kannur and Kasargod and allocated Rs 75.00 crores for 2013-14 as subsidy component and Board has fully utilized the allocation. The programme was implemented through Coconut Producer Societies (CPS) / Coconut Producer Federations (CPF) in contiguous area of at least 25-50 ha where farmers have formed themselves into farmer collectives. The scheme is being continued in the remaining areas and GOI has allocated an amount of Rs 35.00 crores during 2014-15. An amount of Rs.1444.29 lakh was expended under the scheme as on 31.10.2014.

The component wise subsidy has been revised from 2014-15 as per MIDH norms and the details are as follows: (i) Cutting and removal of all old, senile, unproductive and disease advanced palms: A subsidy @ Rs.1000 per palm, subject to a maximum of Rs.32000/ha is provided for cutting and removal of old, senile, unproductive and disease advanced palms. (ii)

Rejuvenation of the existing coconut palms by Integrated Management: For adoption of Integrated management practices a subsidy of Rs.17500 /ha is provided in two installments of Rs.8750/- each.(iii) Assistance for replanting: For replanting, a subsidy of Rs.40/- per seedling subject to a maximum of Rs 4,000/- ha is extended.

D. Coconut Palm Insurance Scheme (CPIS)

The Coconut Palm Insurance Scheme intends to provide Insurance coverage to coconut crop. Under the scheme all healthy nut bearing palms in the age group from 4 years to 60 years are eligible to get insurance coverage against natural perils leading to death / loss of palm becoming unproductive. 50% of the premium is borne by the Board and balance is shared between the State Govt and Farmers @ 25% each. The premium for the category of palms belonging to the age group of 4-15 is Rs. 9 and that for 16-60 is Rs. 14/-. The insured amount for the corresponding categories is Rs. 900 and 1750 respectively. The scheme is implemented in selected districts of all coconut growing states.

E. 'Kera Suraksha' Insurance Scheme for Coconut Tree Climbers (CTC)

The 'Kera Suraksha' Insurance Scheme provides insurance coverage to the coconut tree climbers @ Rs. 2 lakh against accident related risk including death. The annual premium of the policy is only Rs.66/- of which 75% is borne by the Board and 25% is contributed by the CTC. The scheme is implemented in all coconut growing states.

F. Establishment of Research & Development Centre: Initiating in-house frontline Research & Development activities attached to DSP Farms.

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Annexure 2

Financial Assistance Provided under various schmes of Coconut Development Board in the state of Kerala during 2005-2010 (Rs. in Lakhs)

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Year	of Area under	TxD hybrids /other hybrids/other	ment of DSP	nt of Regional Coconut	Approved/Reg Approved/Re stered/ gistered/	Government Approved/Ré gistered/	Replanting and	Manageme nt of	Laying out	Organic	TOTAL
	Coconut	released varieties	Farms	Coconut Nurseries	Private Nurseries-Big Units	Private Nurseries- Small Units	Rejuvenation of Coconut Gardens	Disease affected Palms	Demonstration Plots	Manure Units	
2005-2006	57.322	9.38	11.135	32.25	1.5	13.677	0	50	583.13	48.924	807.318
2006-2007	43.529	9.380	5.518	36.25	3,000	19.030	0.000	50.000	584.498	80 174	831.379
2007-2008	83.37446	9.375	17.70647	31.25	0.75	12.79645	0.00000	25.00	1170.89152	21.2129	1372.3568
2008-2009	53.56360	13.125	0.77934	6.250	0.75000	3.25020	0.00000	37.50	2035, 18759	. 87.77598	2238.18171
2009-2010	16.728	18.75	1.204	32.50	0	1.503	8296.161945	0	949.340	2.929	9319.11651
2010 -2011	7.563	23.75	0.639	57.50	0	0.725	3238.301	0	987.805	1.087	4317.36993

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