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Agriculture – Tamil Nadu Agricultural University - Tamil Nadu Innovation Initiatives (TANII) - State Innovation fund – Ensuring Supply of Uniform and Quality Planting Material in Coconut through Micro Propagation - Sanction of Rs.321.00 lakh for the year 2017-18 – Orders - Issued.

Agriculture (AU) Department

Dated: 27.03.2018 திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு 2049, பங்குனி திங்கள் – 13.

Read:

1. From the Member Secretary, State Planning Commission, Letter No.1644/SPC/2017, dated 14.11.2017.

Letter No.23248/B&P/2016-16, dated 20.11.2017.

3. From the Registrar, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Letter No.DPM/ TNAU/F 10/Project Proposals sent / TANII (2018-19)/2017, dated 16.2.2018.

Order:

か. (Mar No.52)

The following project of Tamil Nadu Agricultural University has been approved by the State Planning Commission under Tamil Nadu Innovation Initiatives (TANII) (Second Round) at a total cost of Rs.663.00 lakh for a period of three years.

"Ensuring Supply of Uniform and Quality Planting Material in Coconut through Micro Propagation".

2. The main aim of the project is – to establish a state-of-the-art infrastructure for in vitro multiplication and mass production of quality coconut seedlings and to develop a reliable, reproducible and cost effective protocol for rapid multiplication of true to type coconut seedlings through tissue culture/micro propagation. Further, this proposal aims for establishment of a dedicated tissue culture facility at Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore for mass multiplication of elite coconut genotypes and thereby to reduce the gap between demand for coconut seedling and its supply. The innovative technology envisages a quantum

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jump in the multiplication rate (1:1 in the case seed nut propagation) to 1:20 by using rapid multiplication protocols viz., somatic embryogenesis as a viable approach – in vitro plant regeneration. The above innovative technology will help to meet the demand for ten million quality planting materials per year of which only 3-3.5 million seedlings could be met by the existing conventional techniques.

- 3. The Registrar, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University has, therefore, requested the Government to issue necessary orders for administrative approval for the implementation of the project viz., Ensuring Supply of Uniform and Quality Planting Material in Coconut through Micro Propagation at a total cost of Rs.663.00 lakh for a period of three years and release an amount of Rs.321.00 lakh for the year 2017-18 to implement the above project.
- 4. The Government after careful examination, accept the request of the Registrar, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University. Accordingly, administrative approval is accorded for a sum of Rs.663.00 lakh for implementation of the project viz., Ensuring Supply of Uniform and Quality Planting Material in Coconut through Micro Propagation for a period of three years and also sanction is accorded for a sum of Rs.321.00 lakh (Rupees Three hundred and twenty one lakh only) under Tamil Nadu Innovation Initiatives Project for the year 2017-2018.
- 5. The amount sanctioned in para 4 above shall be debited under the following Head of Account:-
 - "2415 Agricultural Research and Education 01 Crop Husbandry 120 Assistance to other Institutions State's Expenditure JR Ensuring Supply of Uniform and Quality Planting Material in Coconut through Micro Propagation under State Innovation Funds 09 Grants-in-Aid 03 Grants for Specific Scheme".

(DPC: 2415-01-120-JR-0936)

- Rs.321.00 lakh

6. The above expenditure shall be met from the State Innovation Fund by deducting under the following Head of Account:-

"2415 – Agricultural Research and Education – 01 – Crop Husbandry 902 Deduct – Amount met from State Innovation Fund State's Expenditure – JB Deduct – Amount met from State Innovation Fund – 30 Inter Account Transfers".

(DPC: 2415-01-902-JB-3008)

and contra debiting

J Reserve Fund (b) Reserve Funds not bearing Interest – 8229 00 Development and Welfare Funds – 200 Other Development and Welfare Funds – BE - State Innovation Fund.

(DPC:8229-00-200-BE-0006) (outgo)

- 7. The Joint Director of Agriculture, Coimbatore is authorized to draw the amount sanctioned in para 4 above and disburse the same to the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University.
- 8. The Registrar, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University is directed to follow the existing Finance procedures / Government orders while incurring the expenditure under each item sanctioned in para 4 above. He is also directed to inform the progress of the work and expenditure made every month to Government.
- 9. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.No.13673/Agri/2018, dated 26.3.2018.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

Gagandeep Singh Bedi Agricultural Production Commissioner and Principal Secretary to Government.

To

The Registrar, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore-641 003.

The Director of Agriculture, Chepauk, Chennai-600 005.

The Joint Director of Agriculture, Coimbatore-641 003.

The Accountant General (G&SSA), Chennai-600 018 / (By name).

The Accountant General (E&RSA), Chennai-600 018 / (By name).

The Treasury Officer, Coimbatore-641 018.

The Deputy Director, Local Fund Audit, Coimbatore-641 003.

The Resident Audit Officer, O/o Accountant General, Chennai-600 009.

Copy to:

The State Planning Commission, Chepauk, Chennai-600 005.

The Finance (Agri/BG II) Department, Chennai -600 009.

The Deputy Secretary to Government, Finance (Ways and Means) Department, Chennai -600 009.

The Agriculture (OP.3) Department, Chennai -600 009. (For Indexing purpose).

The Planning, Development & Special Initiative Department, Secretariat, Chennai -600 009.

The Private Secretary to Agricultural Production Commissioner and Principal Secretary to Government, Agriculture Department, Chennai -600 009. The Assistant Programmer, Agriculture Department, Secretariat, Chennai-600 009. Stock File / Spare Copies.

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