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Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare  
(INM Division) Fertilizer Use Cell

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110001  
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To

1. Secretary (Agriculture), All State Governments/ UTs
2. Director (Agriculture), All States/UTs.

Subject: Allocation of funds under Soil Health Management and Soil Health Card Schemes of National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA) for the financial year 2019-20-Reg.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the approval of the Competent Authority on state-wise tentative allocation of funds under Soil Health Management and Soil Health Card Schemes of National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA) for the financial year 2019-20 (copy enclosed). The operational guidelines for Soil Health Management Scheme and Soil Health Card Scheme under National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA) have already been uploaded on the website [agricoop.nic.in](http://agricoop.nic.in) → Top Menu → Schemes and Guidelines → Integrated Nutrient Division-Operational Guidelines.

2. The scheme is being implemented on 90:10 GOI:State sharing basis in North Eastern and Himalayan States, 60: 40 for other States and 100% GOI sharing for Union Territories for the financial year 2019-20. While preparing Annual Action Plan 2019-20, the State Governments may emphasize on the following components:-

- (i) Selection of one village per block for a pilot project on farm holding based soil sample collection and Soil health Card distribution.
- (ii) Demonstration for SHC recommendations in entire selected village under the component of assistance to farmers on nutrient balancing under Soil Health Card Scheme. The samples testing/ SHC distribution may be taken on war footing so that the demonstration are organized in Kharif 2019.
- (iii) Setting up of Static Soil Testing Labs at each district headquarters where there is no STL.
- (iv) Involvement of private soil testing labs: Back ended subsidy for setting up of private labs by entrepreneurs with RKVY/SHM funds to be set up through State Government and entered in M o U. These labs will be established after assessing the need of district level after considering already established labs of States, Fertilizer Industry & private labs.



(v) Proposal for increased support for ICP may be proposed by State under RKVY which will be supported by INM Division.

3. The allocation is subject to availability of funds and final allocation will be based on the approval of the Executive Committee (EC). After the approval of EC, change of targets for sample collection under Soil Health Card Scheme, will not be entertained. The committed liability will be considered for release for 2018-19 only to the States who have completed their target as per sanction order.

4. The funds will be released only after receipt of all previous pending Utilization Certificates along with component-wise physical and financial progress and matching state share.

Yours faithfully,

  
(Anil Jain)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

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