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Direct Award of Minor Irrigation Rehabilitation Projects to Farmers Organizations

Rehabilitation of minor irrigation systems and related agricultural roads valuing up to Rs. 5 Million can be awarded to qualified Farmers Organizations directly subject to the following criteria.

- (1) At the instance of considering for awarding the proposed contract, the relevant Farmers Organization should have been registered under the Commissioner General of the Agrarian Services as a Society at least two years prior to award the contract.
- (2) The total number of contracts undertaken by the Society shall not exceed three contacts (03) including the proposed contract to be awarded.
- (3) The Society should prove that it possesses the requisite manpower, equipment, and financial capacity to carry out all the work already undertaken by it in terms of the total value of the remaining works of the contracts and the proposed contract. Similarly, the relevant Society should prove that it has capacity to hire the requisite equipment to perform the work if it is not in possession of such equipment.
- (4) When more than one Farmers Society request to undertake the contract, priority shall be given to the Farmers Societies that are functioning within the respective area.

The proposed contract shall be awarded to the relevant Farmers Society after confirming the eligibility of the respective Society by a three member Committee chaired by the Deputy/Assistant Commissioner of the Agrarian Services comprising of an accountant and a civil engineer.

- (5) The cost estimates of the contract shall be approved by the Deputy/Assistant Commissioner of Agrarian Services and it shall be decided based on the rates that are approved by the District Price Fixing Committee from time to time.

- (6) When settling the bills, payments shall be made only after the engineer/technical officer of the District Office of the Agrarian Services is personally satisfied that the entrusted work has duly been completed by the respective Society.
- (7) Deputy/Assistant Commissioner of Agrarian Services shall ensure that the works entrusted will not be sub contracted.
- (8) In order to enable the review of progress of the contracts awarded to the societies, it should be included as an item in the agenda of the District Agricultural Committee Meetings headed by the District Secretary.

This Circular is issued with the concurrence of the Treasury.

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