

LIST OF BENEFITS BEING EXTENDED TO THE FARMERS THROUGH VARIOUS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES: -

Sector: Agriculture

❖ Name of the Programme / Scheme	Development of Horticulture Crops
❖ Duration of the programme / scheme	One year
❖ Objective of the programme	<p>The horticultural crops besides increasing productivity also provide balanced diet to the people, which is very important in the context of the nutritive security, which is equally important to food security. At present horticultural crops occupy only 9.5% of the agricultural area, out of which core horticultural crops like Vegetables, Fruits and Flowers and 5.2% by coconut gardens occupy only 4.3%. It has been estimated that about 20% of the food should be shared by horticultural produce to achieve food and nutrition security; hence there is a need to increase the area under horticultural crops. Considering the various advantages and benefits of the horticultural crops an ambitious plan of bringing 20% of the area cultivated area under Horticultural Crops, which is worthy and valuable in the context of the depleting vital natural resources viz. water and soil, helping the desperate farmers to overcome the stagnancy in agricultural growth.</p>
❖ Eligibility of Beneficiary	Small, Marginal, Big farmers and Scheduled caste farmers
❖ Pre-requisites for the benefit	Ownership / tenant of the land cultivation of Horticulture crops
❖ Procedure to avail the benefits of the programme	<p>⇒ Contact Agricultural Officer, Horticulture to obtain permits for inputs at subsidized cost.</p> <p>⇒ Giving application in the prescribed format for availing back ended subsidy</p>
❖ Criteria for deciding eligibility	Ownership of land need for the agricultural input for the horticulture crops raised.
❖ Detail of the benefit given in the programme (also mention the amount of subsidy or other help given)	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Assistance not exceeding rs.20,000/- per Ha as back ended cash capital investment subsidy for establishing mango / sapota orchards.2. Assistance not exceeding Rs.12,000/- per hectage as back ended cash capital

investment subsidy for banana, guava and other fruit crops.

3. Providing assistance @ 50 % subsidy for the cultivation cost of field crops viz., namely banana, paddy, tapioca, vegetable including mushrooms etc.,
4. Assistance not exceeding Rs.12,000/- per 0.40 ha. as back ended cash capital investment subsidy for aggregatum onion seed production.
5. Assistance not exceeding of Rs.7,500/- per 0.4 ha as back ended cash capital investment subsidy for winter vegetable / cole crops.
6. Assistance not exceeding Rs. 5,000/- per 0.2 ha. As back ended cash capital investment subsidy to the farmers productivity certified seeds / foundation / TFL vegetable seeds.
7. Assistance at 75 % back ended cash capital investment subsidy not exceeding Rs. 5,000/- per ha. for cultivation of vegetables like snake gourd, bitter gourd, ribbed gourd etc., and Rs.2,500/- per 0.4 ha for melons.
8. Assistance at 50 % subsidy not exceeding Rs.15,000/- per ha. as back ended capital investment subsidy for live fencing and Rs.25,000/- per metal fencing.
9. Assistance not exceeding Rs.5,000/- per 0.4 ha. for cultivation of Tapioca and other tubers.
10. Distribution of vegetable minikits and fruit minikits worth Rs. 250/- per minikit at free of cost for the establishment of nutritional gardens in rural / urban areas.
11. Distribution of ornamental plants / flowering plants, tools, implements, plant protection equipments, plant protection chemicals, growth regulators, copra dryers, oil engines with accessories and electrical motor / motor pumpsets, shade nets etc., at 50 % subsidy to general farmers and 75 %

subsidy to SC farmers.

12. Distribution of cash incentive to farmers of Karaikal at Rs.7,500/- per ha. (Rs.5,000/- in 1st year and Rs.2,500/- in 2nd year) for undertaking Jatropha cultivation.
13. Back ended investment subsidy for cultivators of new cashew plantation @ Rs.50,000/ha (Rs.30,000/ha in 1st year and Rs.10,000/ha. each in 2nd & 3rd years).

Assistance for production of quality planting materials

14. Assistance not exceeding of Rs.20,000/- per 0.4 ha as back ended cash capital investment subsidy for setting up or ornamental / fruit seedling nursery / coconut to SHGs / individuals or strengthening of the existing nursery by providing new infrastructure like mist chamber, polyhouse, green house etc,

Distribution of Quality & Hybrids Seed and Tissue Culture Plants & Other Planting Materials

15. Supply of hybrid seeds and tissue culture banana and other hi-value planting materials at 75 % subsidy

Cultivation of Hi-Value Floriculture

16. Assistance at 50 % of the total cost of house hold / roof top orchid cultivation for 250 nos. of plants or more not exceeding Rs.20,000/- per individual and 25 % to orchid cultivation in farms to an extent of 0.40 ha not exceeding Rs.10.00 lakhs per unit as back ended cash capital investment subsidy.
17. Assistance of Rs.100/- per tree and not exceeding of Rs.4000/- per individual for rejuvenation of old and disease affected orchid.
18. Establishment of horticulture demonstration for promotion of orchid

cultivation by establishing maximum of 50-plants by giving subsidy of Rs.6000/- per demonstration.

Traditional Flowers

19. Assistance not exceeding Rs.7000/- per 0.4 ha. as back ended cash capital investment subsidy investment subsidy for cultivation of traditional flowers.

Development of Coconut / Betlvine

20. Assistance to coconut growers for the management of disease affected palms by providing compensation at Rs.250/- per palm for cutting and removal of trees.
21. Conduct of coconut demonstration in plots of 50 / 25 palms by issuing inputs worth Rs. 60 /- per palm.
22. Conduct of inter-crop demonstration in coconut farm plots by issuing inputs worth Rs. 800/- plot at free of cost.
23. Conduct of medicinal plants demonstration as inter - crop in farmers holdings by distributing inputs worth Rs.2,000/- per 20 cent plots at free of cost.
24. Vanilla demonstration by issuing inputs worth Rs. 1500/- per 20 cents plots at free of cost.
25. Conduct of coconut demonstration in plots of 50 /25 palms by issuing inputs worth Rs. 75/- per palm.
26. Conduct of inter - crop demonstration in coconut farm plots by issuing inputs worth Rs.300/- per plot.
27. Conduct of floriculture demonstration by issuing inputs worth Rs.1,200/- per plot.
28. Conduct of bush pepper demonstration in farmers holding by issuing potted bush pepper worth Rs.1000/- per demonstration at free of cost.

29. Assistance not exceeding Rs.3000/- per 0.4 ha. for inter-cropping in coconut plantations (existing / new) as back ended cash capital investment subsidy.
30. Assistance not exceeding Rs.10,000/- per hectare of back ended cash capital investment subsidy for establishment of coconut grooves and not exceeding Rs. 5000/- per ha. for rehabilitation of existing old coconut grooves.
31. Assistance not exceeding Rs.1500/- per cent to betelvine growers for planting materials, support materials, inputs etc., as back ended cash capital investment subsidy not exceeding Rs.20,000/- per acre.

Development of Cultivation of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants

32. Assistance not exceeding Rs.6,000/- for cultivating the medicinal / aromatic plants for 0.4 ha as back ended cash capital investment subsidy.

Development of Urban / House Hold Horticulture

33. Assistance at 75 % subsidy for all inputs, tools, PP chemicals and other accessories required for house hold gardening subject to a maximum of Rs.2,250/- per individual / house.
34. Providing 50 % subsidy to a maximum of Rs.500/- for portable and Rs.1000/- for permanent vermi compost production units at houses by the farmers .

Development of Horticulture - Enterprises

35. Assistance to production of mushroom, vermi compost, loose flower producer coconut coir production units and other enterprises from horticultural products at 50 % back ended cash capital investment subsidy not exceeding Rs. 10,000/-.

Development of Post Harvest Management,

Horti Industries and Hi- Tech Horticulture

36. Assistance at 50 % as back ended cash capital investment subsidy not exceeding Rs.25 lakhs to farmers / individuals / private organization for establishing medicinal processing industries, industrial manufacturer of horticulture products and other horti enterprises like production of hi-tech planting materials etc.,
37. Assistance at 50 % subsidy not exceeding Rs.25.00 lakhs for development of infrastructure like cold storage units, refrigeratory van, cool chambers, processing units to P.S.U. private entrepreneurs and societies under public private partnership.
38. Assistance @ 50 % subsidy to SHG' /NGO's / individuals as back ended cash capital investment subsidy not exceeding of Rs.10,000/- for value addition of horticultural produce.
39. Assistance to production of mushrooms horticultural produce maintenance of orchard and vegetable garden to SHG's at 50 % back ended cash capital investment subsidy not exceeding of Rs.2,000/- per group.
40. Distribution of PP chemicals, bio-agents, / bio-pesticides growth regulators, tools, implements, equipments, micro nutrient mixtures and others at 75 % subsidy and planting materials, seeds, organic manures, neem cake, groundnut cake, enriched / urban compost, bio-fertilizers etc., at 100 % subsidy.
41. Cultivation of horticultural crops and improvement of existing fields, establishing horti enterprises / projects at 75 % subsidy.

❖ Procedure for the distribution of the subsidy

- ⇒ The agriculture inputs are distributed at subsidy cost at PASIC agro depots based on the permits issued by Agricultural Officer (Horticulture).
- ⇒ For backed ended subsidy application are scrutinized and eligible application are considered.

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| ❖ Where to apply or whom to contact in the office for applying | Pondicherry - Deputy Director of Agriculture (Horti), - Agricultural Officer (Horticulture)
Karaikal - Addl. Director of Agriculture, Karaikal
Mahe - Deputy Director of Agriculture, Mahe
Yanam - Deputy Director of Agriculture, Yanam |
| ❖ Application Fee (where applicable) | Nil |
| ❖ Other Fees (where applicable) | Nil |
| ❖ Application format (where applicable. If the application is made on plain paper please mention it along with what the applicant should mention in the application) | Application format are available in Agriculture Website. |
| ❖ List of attachments (certificates / documents) | For back ended subsidy claims necessary vouchers. |
| ❖ Format of Attachment | Nil |
| ❖ Where to contact in case of process related complaints | Pondicherry - Addl. Director of Agriculture (T&V), Thattanchavady
Karaikal - Addl. Director of Agriculture, Karaikal
Mahe - Deputy Director of Agriculture, Mahe
Yanam - Deputy Director of Agriculture, Yanam |