

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

**Sector: Agriculture**

❖ Name of the Programme / Scheme	<b>Soil Resource Management Inputs Quality Control</b>
❖ Duration of the programme / scheme	one year
❖ Objective of the programme	<p>The objectives of the scheme is to monitor the soil fertility status effectively by intensive sampling, to build up a reliable database of soil resources for interpretation in relation with its production potential, to generate fertilizer recommendations for individual crops to meet the farmers' requirement based on the soil database thus created and to prevent further deterioration of soil productivity, fertility, and sustainability.</p> <p>Soil Health cards will be issued to owners of all farm holdings through the Uzhavar Udhaviyagams established under the scheme "Crop Production Technology". The problem soils will be identified and reclaimed on village adoption basis. The analysis of seeds, pesticides and fertilizers including compost and bio-fertilizers will be undertaken to enforce quality control measures on all kinds of agricultural inputs.</p>
❖ Eligibility of Beneficiary	Farmers of Union Territory of Puducherry
❖ Pre-requisites for the benefit	Ownership of land raising Seed Farm
❖ Procedure to avail the benefits of the programme	Enroll for registration
❖ Criteria for deciding eligibility	Ownership / tenant of land knowledge
❖ Detail of the benefit given in the programme (also mention the amount of subsidy or other help given)	<p>a) Provision of 100 % subsidy on the cost of green manure seeds, soil amendments, bio-fertilisers for reclamation of problem soils on whole village approach basis.</p> <p>b) Provision of 100 % subsidy for construction of drainage channels and construction of pipe culverts in the reclaimed areas / villages by involving Pasumai Padai in the Uzhavar Udhaviyagams or Eri Sangam constituted under TRPP to improve drainage facilities.</p> <p>c) 75 % transport subsidy for undertaking silt application to improve the soil structure.</p>

- d) Provision of 90 % subsidy to the formation of drainage channels to the fields affected by salinity alkalinity due to lack for proper drainage.
- e) Distribution of ameliorants like gypsum / lime, green manure compost at 100 % subsidy to the lands affected by salinity / alkalinity.
- f) Distribution of micro nutrient kits to the micro nutrient deficient soil at 100% subsidy.
- g) Conduct of Regional level campaign on Soil Resource Management and Quality Control (2 nos. in Pondicherry and one at Karaikal).
- h) Distribution of soil health cards/ green leaf cards to farmers.

❖ Procedure for the distribution of the subsidy	Based on the seed testing report the subsidy will be distributed.
❖ Where to apply or whom to contact in the office for applying	Pondicherry: Joint Director of Agriculture (Chemistry), Thattanchavady. Karaikal: Addl. Director of Agriculture, Karaikal
❖ Application Fee (where applicable)	Registration Fee Rs.25 /- season per crop.
❖ Other Fees (where applicable)	Nil
❖ List of attachments (certificates / documents)	The Farmers identification card issued by the Agriculture Department with land particulars for the proof of farmers.
❖ Format of Attachment	Nil
❖ Where to contact in case of process related complaints	Pondicherry: Joint Director of Agriculture (Chemistry), Thattanchavady. Karaikal: Addl. Director of Agriculture, Karaikal