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## COOPERATION DEPARTMENT

### ORDER

The 22nd January, 2021

**Sub:- Guideline for constitution of District Level Technical Committee (DLTC) for fixation of scale of finance for different crops and working capital loans to allied sector activities at the District level for determining eligible credit for each crop and farmer and also the limit of KCC.**

No.528—COOP-CR1-AS-0003/2020/Coop.— In accordance with the guidelines of NABARD, Mumbai, it has become necessary to revisit the constitution of DLTC, its roles and responsibilities, process and time line. Accordingly, in supersession of the Cooperation Department Order No. 10562/Coop., dated the 31st October, 2011, the District Level Technical Committee (DLTC) is re-constituted and its processes and time line for fixing the Scale of Finance for different crops in Kharif and Rabi and working capital loans to allied sector activities and their recommendations to State Level Technical Committee (SLTC) for finalization and adoption.

#### **Constitution of the District Level Technical Committee (DLTC):**

1	Collector and Distract Magistrate	Chairman
2	Chief District Agriculture Officer	Member
3	DDM /DDO, NABARD	Member
4	Lead District Manager	Member
5	Dy. Director, Horticulture	Member
6	District Fisheries Officer	Member
7	Divisional Deputy Registrar of Cooperative Societies	Member
8	Chief District Veterinary Officer	Member
9	Representative of Major Commercial Banks	Member
10	Representative of RRBs	Member
11	Senior Scientist and Head, KVK	Member

12	Project Director, ATMA	Member
13	Head of a major NGO working in the field of Agriculture to be nominated by the Collector on the recommendations of Chief District Agriculture Officer.	Special Invitee
14	One Progressive Farmer in the District to be nominated by the Chief District Agriculture Officer and another Farmer to be nominated by Deputy Director, Horticulture with the approval of the Collector & District Magistrate as Special Invitee.	Special Invitee
15	Secretary, District Central Cooperative Bank having Jurisdiction over the District.	Member Convenor

## Process and Time Line

### (a) Process

The proposals invited from the stakeholders and the Technical Experts based on the guidelines on unit cost or indicative scale of financing received from the State Level Technical Committee (SLTC) is to be placed for the consideration of the committee. The Agriculture & FE Department officials shall review the proposals for field crops while the Animal Husbandry and Fisheries Department officials at District level shall review the proposals for working capital limits under their respective sectors and place it in the Committee. The proposals should be reviewed taking into account the prevailing cost of inputs, productivity and market price of produce and technical inputs from the Senior Scientist and Head, KVK and Project Director, ATMA. The Committee will function in close coordination with the District Consultative Committee and the Technical Institutions.

### (b) Time Line

Sl.No.	Particulars	DLTC
1	1st meeting to invite proposals based on the guidelines received from SLTC	1st fortnight of October
2	Last date for calling proposals	31st October (Previous calendar year)
3	Last date for receipt of proposals	30th November
4	Finalization of the proposals	31st December
5	Technical Committee Meeting	16th — 20th January
6	Date for approval of the minutes of the meeting	21st — 30th January
7	Date for forwarding the same to SLTC	31st January

### **3. Fixing of Scale of Finance:**

Scale of finance may be fixed on per Acre basis indicating a range taking into account various aspects including different agro-climatic zones, cropping practices etc. for all important crops grown in the District for different cropping seasons including summer crops, if there are any. Separate scales may also be prescribed for irrigated and unirrigated crops, traditional and modern methods of farming and local variations in farming practices, if any. In Districts where organic farming / natural farming in vogue, separate scale of finance for the same may also be finalized. In case of Animal Husbandry activities scale of finance may be fixed per annual / bird basis for all important activities undertaken in the District after giving due consideration to rearing practices in vogue and all recurring expenses required for sustaining production activities. Similarly, for Fishery sector scale of finance may be fixed based on the average unit size of the investment. Following are some additional measures suggested while fixing the scale of finance:

- i. While the District can continue to be the unit for prescription of the scale of finance, different scales may be fixed if the agro climatic characteristics vary, within a District.
- ii. DLTC should build up and maintain a data base and detailed worksheets considered for undertaking the exercise for fixation of realistic scales.
- iii. Scales should be fixed with reference to package of practices adopted and the extraneous factors like resource constraints of the banks, should not come into the picture.
- iv. There is a need for fixing separate/higher scales of finance for commercial production of seeds by the seed growers, for export originated horticulture / floriculture, tissue culture based seedlings, etc.
- v. SoF may be fixed for all the crops including horticulture crops, Animal Husbandry activities and Fisheries activities.
- vi. Separate SoF may be fixed for "low volume high value" crops like flowers, aromatic/ medicinal crops, spices, etc., depending upon the crop feasibility as per agro-climatic conditions, if prevalent in the District.

### **4. Recommendation to SLTC:**

DLTC may indicate scales of finance for major crops and working capital loans to allied sector activities and forward their recommendations to State Level Technical Committee by 31st January for finalization and adoption.

**5.** The Committee shall sit at-least twice in a year once in the 1st fortnight of October to invite proposals based on the guidelines received from SLTC and again in 2nd fortnight of

January to finalize the scale of finance to be recommended to SLTC by 31st January at the latest.

**6. Technical and Secretarial Support:**

The District Central Cooperative Bank having jurisdiction over the District will provide-secretarial support. Similarly, the District Level Officials of Agriculture, Horticulture, Fisheries, Veterinary and Animal Husbandry Departments, major Banks as well as the Senior Scientist and Head, KVK and Project Director, ATMA will provide Technical Support to the Committee.

By Order of the Governor

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