



ABSTRACT

Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) - Announcement made by Hon'ble Minister (Municipal Administration and Rural Development, Implementation of Special Programme) – Raising 25,000 Nochi plants in each of the 385 Block nurseries and distribute 2 Nochi plants each to 40 lakh households at free of cost, at an estimate cost of Rs.12.70 Crore under MGNREGS for the year 2017-18 – Permission accorded - Orders issued..

RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND PANCHAYAT RAJ (CGS.1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms) No.122

Dated: 31.10.2017

Read:

1. Announcement made by Hon'ble Minister (Municipal Administration and Rural Development, Implementation of Special Programme on the Floor of the Legislative Assembly on 21.6.2017.
2. From the Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Letters Roc.No.59002/ 2017/MGNREGS-I-1, dated 13.7.2017.

ORDER:

The Hon'ble Minister for Municipal Administration and Rural Development, Implementation of Special Programme has made the following Announcement on the floor of the Assembly on 21.06.2017:

“மகாத்மா காந்தி தேசிய ஊரக வேலை உறுதி திட்டத்தின் கீழ் 2015-16 மற்றும் 2016-17ஆம் ஆண்டுகளில் அனைத்து ஊராட்சி ஒன்றியங்களிலும் நாற்றங்கால்கள் அமைக்கப்பட்டு பல்வேறு வகையான மரக்கன்றுகள் வளர்க்கப்பட்டு மாபெரும் மரம் நடவுத் திட்டம் மற்றும் சாலையோர மரக்கன்றுகள் நடும் திட்டம் ஆகியவற்றில் பயன்படுத்தப்பட்டு வருகின்றன.

நொச்சி எனும் மூலிகைச் செடி சிறந்த கொசு விரட்டியாக செயல்பட்டு மலேரியா மற்றும் டெங்கு போன்ற தொற்று நோய்களை தடுக்க உதவுவதுடன் வலி நிவாரணியாகவும் பயன்படுகிறது.

எனவே, மாண்புமிகு இதயதெய்வம் புரட்சித் தலைவி அம்மா அவர்களின் ஆசியுடன், மாண்புமிகு முதலமைச்சர் அவர்களின் ஆணைப்படி, தமிழகத்தில் 385 ஊராட்சி ஒன்றியங்களில் அமைக்கப்பட்டுள்ள நாற்றங்கால்களில் நொச்சிச் செடிகள் 4 முதல் 6 மாத

காலத்திற்கு வளர்க்கப்பட்டு, கிராமப்புறங்களில் வசிக்கும் 40 இலட்சம் குடும்பங்களுக்கு, தலா 2 செடிகள் வீதம் இலவசமாக வழங்கப்படும்”.

2. In the letter second read above, the DRD&PR has stated that Nochi Plant is a large aromatic shrub with small bluish purple flowers. It's Botanical name is 'Vitex negundo'. Nochi is a shrub and small tree growing from 2 to 8 m (6 to 24 ft) in height and is a natural Pest repellent, known for its medicinal values. According to Siddha scriptures, the plant wards off insects and rodents around it and the roots contain a lot of oxygen, which is released to the atmosphere. The only economic way to get mosquito-free zone is by growing nochi plants in our neighbourhood.

Types of Nochi:

There are three types of Nochi viz, Venn Nochi, Karu Nochi and Neer Nochi. Venn Nochi is the more commonly seen shrub. Neer Nochi is commonly found on the Banks of the river Tamarabarani in Tamil Nadu.

Medicinal values and use of the plant:

Nochi Plants are considered insect or pest repellent, pain reliever, the twigs are anti-bacterial. Farmers create a bio-fence with nochi plants to protect their crops. The leaves are used for treating disorders of the neuro-skeletal and muscular systems, sinus and severe headache. Leaves are added to stored rice to keep weevils away. It is reported that when a mosquito sits on the leaves of this plant, it becomes sterile. So, gradually the population of the vector can be curbed. It is also believed that insects are allergic to the odour of its leaves. Therefore it is a cost effective and environment friendly method to control mosquitoes and tiny insects.

To achieve the goal of "Muzhu Sugaathaara Thamizhagam" one of the most important task is to eradicate or control the breed of mosquitoes.

Therefore, the Government decided to encourage people to grow Nochi in their houses and the Hon'ble Minister for Municipal Administration and Rural Development, Implementation of Special Programme has made the announcement on the floor of the Assembly on 21.06.2017.

Scheme Implementation

Selection of Villages and Public sites for growing Nochi:

Initially, priority will be given to the villages, where the Solid and Liquid waste management activities are implemented.

Apart from the households, the Nochi plants shall be grown in common places like VPSC, Anganwadi Centres, Public Health Centres, Health Sub Centres, Self Help Group Buildings, School Buildings, etc.

Nursery Raising:

In each of the 385 Blocks, one Block nursery has been established. The seedlings for Nochi plantation will be raised in all 385 block nurseries and given to people at free of cost.

Methodology to grow:

As the nochi plants can be grown by sowing of seeds in all types of soils,

- in each block nursery an average of 25,000 to 30,000 nochi plants will be raised.
- the cost of raising the plants for 4 to 6 months will be met out from funds of the MGNREGS 2017-18 Labour and material component.
- the distribution of the nochi plants to the Households will be made from the 6th month onwards according to the growth of the plants.
- casualty replacements of the plants at the Block Nursery will be made wherever necessary.

Norms to raise the plant in the Block nursery for 4 to 6 months:

It is proposed to raise 80,00,000 nochi plants (with 15% casualty) throughout the state. Cost of one plant for growing for 4 to 6 months is Rs.15.88 and the estimated cost for raising of 80,00,000 nochi plants in the existing nurseries is Rs.12.70 Crore. The labour component for raising the Nochi plants of 80,00,000 is Rs.11.35 Crore with generation of 5.535 lakh mandays and the material component is Rs.1.35 Crore.

(Rupees in Crore)

Description of work	Material Component (10.68%)			Labour Component (89.32% (Central Share 100%))	Grand Total
	Central Share 75%	State Share 25%	Total		
Raising of 80,00,000 Nochi plants	1.01	0.34	1.35	11.35	12.70

3. The Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj has also stated that the Rural Schedule of Rates finalized in G.O.(Ms)No.45, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (CGS.1) Department, Dated 03.04.2017 will be adopted. In case of any revision in the RSoR in future the same will be adopted.

- Photographs will be taken before execution, during execution and after completion of work.

- Citizen Information Board will be kept at the work site (Block nurseries) in of size 4X3 feet for common works at a cost of Rs.4500/- board with all necessary information as per the framework given by the Government of India vide No.K11023/1/1/2017–MGNREGSA(IV), Ministry of Rural Development, Dated 07.04.2017. The cost of the information board shall be included in the estimate itself.
- Geo tagging of the assets will be done after completion of the work.
- All the work site should have MGNREGS Work File (Checklist/Contents) as per the instructions of Government of India, vide Ref. No.J-11017/6/2016-MGNREGA–VII, Ministry of Rural Development, Dated 21.12.2016.

4. The Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj has therefore requested the Government to accord permission for raising an average of 25,000 Nochi plants in each of the 385 Block nurseries and distribute 2 Nochi plants each to 40 lakh households at an estimate cost of Rs.12.70 Crore under MGNREGS for the year 2017-18.

5. The Government, after careful examination of the proposal of the Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj, hereby accord sanction for raising an average of 25,000 Nochi plants in each of the 385 Block nurseries and distribute 2 Nochi plants each to 40 lakh households at an estimate cost of Rs.12.70 Crore (Rupees twelve crore and seventy lakh only) under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme for the year 2017-18.

6. This order is issued with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.No.39715/RD/2017, dated 07.08.2017.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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