

ABSTRACT

Announcement of the Hon'ble Minister (Rural Development) for the year 2021-22 – Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme – Plantation of 68 lakh Saplings in Rural areas at an estimated cost of Rs.225.77 Crore during the year 2021-22 under Mahatma Gandhi National Employment Guarantee Scheme – Permission accorded – Orders – Issued.

RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND PANCHAYAT RAJ (CGS.1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms). No.138

Dated: 01.12.2021 பிலவ, கார்த்திகை 15 திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு 2052

Read:

- 1. Announcement made by Hon'ble Minister for Rural Development on the floor of the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly on 24.08.2021.
- From the Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Letter No. 10426/2021/MGNREGS-I-1, Dated 06.09.2021.

ORDER:

The Hon'ble Minister for Rural Development has made the following Announcement on the floor of the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly on 24.08.2021 during the Budget Presentation of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department:-

"காலநிலை மாற்றங்களை எதிர்கொள்ளக் கூடிய கிராமங்களை உருவாக்குதல் இன்றைய முக்கிய தேவையாகும். இந்நிலையை அடையும் விதமாக ஊரகப் பகுதிகளில் நிலத்தடி நீரை அதிகரிக்க 68 இலட்சம் மரக்கன்றுகள் நடுதல், 10,000 தடுப்பணைகள் கட்டுதல், வீடுகளிலிருந்து வெளியேறும் கழிவுநீரை தூய்மைப்படுத்தி நிலத்தடியில் செலுத்துவதற்காக 25,500 சமுதாய உறிஞ்சுக் குழிகள், 1,75,000 தனிநபர் உறிஞ்சுக் குழிகள் அமைத்தல் போன்ற பணிகள் 948.50 கோடி ரூபாய் மதிப்பீட்டிலும், நீர்பாசன

தேவையை நிறைவேற்றுவதற்காக 500 சமுதாய கிணறுகளும், 1500 தனிநபர் கிணறுகளும் 200.50 கோடி ரூபாய் மதிப்பீட்டிலுமாக மொத்தம் 1,149 கோடி ரூபாய் மதிப்பீட்டில், நிலத்தடி நீரை அதிகரிக்கும் பணிகளும், நீர்பாசன பணிகளும் 2021–22ஆம் ஆண்டில் மேற்கொள்ளப்படும். "

- 2. In pursuance of the above announcement, the Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj in his letter second read above has stated that in G.O. (Ms.) No.60, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (CGS.1) Department, dated 15.04.2021 and G.O. (Ms.) No.74, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (CGS.1) Department, dated 07.06.2021, the Government have notified wage rate and Rural Schedule of Rate (RSoR) for the year 2021-22 respectively. In para 4.(1).I.(V), Schedule I of Mahatma Gandhi NREG Act, it is mentioned that, "The focus of the scheme shall be on the following works as categorised below:" Category A: Public works relating to Natural Resources Management, especially listed in item (v) such as afforestation, tree plantation, and horticulture in common and forest lands, road margins, canal bunds, tank foreshores and coastal belts duly providing right to usufruct to the households covered in Para 5, Schedule-1 of MGNREG Act. In the "Permissible Works List" communicated by Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India, the Plantation of Massive Tree Plantation is approved under the Category "A-NRM Works".
- 3. Hence, the Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj has proposed to undertake the works under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme during the Financial Year 2021-22 as detailed below:-
 - (1) To develop climate resilient villages, to adapt to the climate changes and to augment the ground water level it is proposed to plant 68,00,000 saplings at an estimate cost of Rs.225.77 Crore under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme by the Rural Development Department with the saplings raised in all the 385 Block nurseries.
 - (2) The above works will be taken up at a total cost of Rs.225.77 Crore.

The Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj has further stated that the above works were approved by the Empowered Committee, Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India during the Empowered committee Meeting held on 12.02.2021. The Government of India have notified the wage rate for the financial year 2021-22 as Rs.273/- per day in respect of Tamil Nadu. The Guidelines for Planning, selection and execution of above works during the year 2021-22 shall be followed as per G.O.(Ms).No.12, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (CGS.1) Department, Dated:04.02.2019.

Non-Negotiable Items:-

- (1) Citizen Information Board shall be kept at the work site in 3 X 4 feet with all necessary information as per the framework given by the Government of India vide Ref No: k11023/1/1/2017 MGNREGA (IV), MORD, Dated 07.04.2017. The cost of Citizen Information Board will be fixed at Rs.4,500/- per unit for all community works and assets.
- (2) Estimate creation, Administrative sanction and Technical sanction shall be done in SECURE software.
- (3) The Notified Wage Rate as per G.O. (Ms). No.60, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (CGS.1) Department, Dated: 15.04.2021 and the Rural Schedule of Rates finalised in G.O. (Ms). No.74, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (CGS.1) Department, Dated:07.06.2021 shall be adopted. In case of any revision made in Rural Schedule of Rates in future, the same shall be adopted.

In addition to the above said guidelines, the following shall also be adhered during the execution of works:-

 Resolution should be obtained for the Gram Sabha for all the selected works and it should be entered work wise in Register No.2 of Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act of village panchayats concerned.

Funding pattern

The Labour cost is borne 100% by the Government of India and the material cost is shared at the ratio of 75:25 by the Government of India and the State Government. The 68 lakh saplings will be planted at an estimate cost of Rs.225.77 Crore during the financial year 2021-22 under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme by the Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department through the Block Nurseries including cost for saplings (inclusive of 10% casualties), pitting, planting and transportation as follows:-

(Rupees in Crore)

	Material Component (2.11%)			Labour Component	
Description	Central Share (75%)	State Share (25%)	Total	(97.89%) (Central Share 100%)	Grand Total
Planting 68 lakh saplings	3.58	1.19	4.77	221.00	225.77

The Unit cost for the above works are tabulated at annexure-I & II based on the Standard Type design and Rural Schedule of Rate (RSoR) 2021-22. However, the

actual estimate may vary according to the site condition and issue of Public Works Department (PWD) Schedule of Rate.

- 4. Hence, the Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj has requested the Government to accord permission for Plantation of 68,00,000 saplings at a total estimated cost of Rs.225.77 Crore during the financial year 2021-22 under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme.
- 5. The Government, after careful examination of the proposal of the Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj, accord permission for the Plantation of 68,00,000 saplings at a total estimated cost of Rs.225.77 Crore during the financial year 2021-22 under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme as detailed in para 3 above, subject to the following conditions:-
 - (i) The Financial Sanction shall be made only after receipt of Government of India share. The expenditure should be met within the Annual Action Plan and procedure followed for Annual Action Plan may be followed.
 - (ii) Native Species alone should be planted.
 - (iii) Trees should be selected based on terrain.
 - (iv) Guidance of Forest Department, should be obtained.
 - (v) Trees with usufructs carbon fixation should be chosen.
- 6. The Government direct that Government of India Guidelines shall be strictly followed. Geo-tagging, 3-stage photographs i.e., before, during and after plantation should be taken. Social audit shall be ensured as per the Government of India Guidelines and Utilization Certificate shall be sent to Government of India as per norms and copy may be forwarded to the Government also. A proper tracking system for progress monitoring should be followed.
- 7. This order is issued with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.No.53815/Fin(RD)/2021, dated 30.11.2021.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

P. AMUDHA, PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj, Chennai-15.
All District Collectors (except Chennai District).
(Through the Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj, Chennai-15)
All Project Directors, District Rural Development Agencies (through the Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj, Chennai-15).

The Accountant General, Chennai-18.

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The Pay and Accounts Officer (South), Chennai-35.

The Finance (RD) Department, Chennai-9.

The Chief Minister's Office, Secretariat, Chennai-9.

The Senior Personal Assistant to Hon'ble Minister (Rural Development), Chennai-9.

The Principal Private Secretary to Principal Secretary to

Government, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department, Chennai-9.

The National Informatics Centre, Secretariat, Chennai-9.

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Annexure - I

G.O.(Ms) No.138, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (CGS.1) Department, dated 01.12.2021

MTP - 2021-22 (68 Lakh Saplings)

Break up of expenditure for 1 plant (including maintenance for 1st year)

1. Pitting – 1 x 0.6m x 0.6m x 0.6m @ Rs.410.54/Cum = Rs.88.68

2. Planting – 1 x Rs.13.49/No. as per RSoR = Rs.13.49

3. Watering cost and Other Mandatory activities such as weeding, mulching and Manuring, etc. (Rs.18.57 Per plant per month for 12 months)

1.	Watering cost	Rs.198.56
	(Rs.2.92 x 68)	
	(twice per week in the month of February to	
	July – 52 days, once in a week in the month of	
	January, August, September – 13 days,	
	2 weeks in October one week in December	
2.	Weeding & Mulching cost (Twice in a year)	Rs.11.79
	(Rs.5.897 x 2)	
3.	Manuring cost (Twice in a year) (Rs.6.25 x 2)	Rs.12.50
4.	Sub total cost per plant/year	Rs.222.85

4. Transportation Cost per Plant

= Rs. 1.00

Cost per plant for all plantation activities

inclusive of all maintenance for one year = Rs.326.02/plant.

5. Cost for planting 68 lakh saplings $= Rs. 326.02 \times 68$

= Rs. 22169.36 Lakhs

= Rs. 221.69 Crores

6. Cost for citizen information Board (Annexure IV) = Rs. 4.08 crores

7. Total Cost for planting 68 lakh saplings = Rs. 221.69 Crores

+ Rs. 4.08 Crores

= Rs. 225.77 Crores

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Annexure - II

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Cost of Citizen Information Board:

The number of Citizen information board provided is by assuming that 750 saplings can be planted at one plantation site, and this may vary according to the area of the site selected.

= 6800000/750

= 9067 No's.

Cost for one Citizen Information Board

= Rs. 4500.

Total Cost for 9067 No's

 $= 9067 \times 4500$

= Rs. 4.08 Crores.

** Note: In case of availability of any existing Government building at the plantation site, then the Citizen Information Board should be inscribed in the form of wall painting and Rs. 1000/- should be allotted as the Cost for Citizen Information Board.

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