GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH <u>ABSTRACT</u>

Agriculture Department - Distribution of Magnesium sulphate (9.6% Mg and 12% S) Foliar spray purpose on subsidy during 2017-18 under various departmental schemes – Finalization of rates and Nodal Agency – Permission Accorded – Orders – Issued.

AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (AGRI.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 465 Dated: 31-07-2017 Read the following:-

1. G.O.Rt.No.458, Agri. & Coop.(FP.II) Deptt., Dt. 06-08-2014.

- From the Special Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P. Guntur, Lr.No. S.T.Cell / 28 / 2014 dated 06.06.2017.
- 3. From the Special Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P. Guntur, Lr.No. S.T.Cell / 28 / 2014 dated 12.07.2017.
- 4. Govt. Memo No.3551/Agri.III/2/2017, A&C(Agri.III) Dept., dt.12-7-2017.

<u>O R D E R:-</u>

In the G.O. read above, Government constituted the Technical Tender Committees for procurement of various Agricultural Inputs and Farm Machinery in A.P. State for supply to the farmers on subsidy under various schemes from 2014-15 and thereafter. The Government have identified the Managing Director, A.P. MARKFED as Chairman for finalization of all tenders related to all types Fertilizers, Micro-nutrients and Bio-Fertilizers.

2. In the letter 2nd read above, the Special Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Hyderabad among other things has informed that Department has proposed to distribute Magnesium sulphate (9.6% Mg and 12% S) 150 Mtons foliar spray purpose on 50% subsidy during this year i.e., 2017-18. The MD, APMARKFED was requested to call for short tender **Magnesium sulphate (9.6% Mg and 12% S) 150 Mtons foliar spray purpose** as per standard procedures in vogue for the Micronutrients, Secondary nutrients to be supplied on 50% subsidy for the year 2017-18. The MD, APMARKFED had called for tenders for finalization of the rate of Magnesium sulphate (9.6% Mg and 12% S) to be supplied on 50% subsidy during the year 2017-18 as per the standard procedures in vogue and forwarded the proceedings of the Tender Committee. Only one single bid was received from M/s. Sivashakthi Bio Technologies Ltd, the MD., APMARKFED was requested to go for retender.. Accordingly, the APMARKFED has called for retender on 13.05.2017. On opening the tenders, the tender committee has noted that no tenders were received for supply of Magnesium sulphate. Hence, AP MARKFED has called for quotations from reputed companies. The prices offered are as follows:

S.	Company	Rate offered per Kg
No		inclusive of VAT and
		excluding GST
1	M/s. Coromandel International Limited	32.00
2	M/s. Nagarjuna Fertilizers and Chemicals Ltd.	35.00
3	M/s. Sivashakthi Bio Technologies Ltd.	28.00

- 3. Further APMARKFED has informed that the terms and conditions offered by M/s. Coromandel International Limited and M/s. Nagarjuna Fertilizers and Chemicals Ltd. are not according to their tender schedule. While the price and terms and conditions offered by M/s. Sivashakthi Bio Technologies Ltd. is as per their terms and conditions and he is the single bidder in the 1st time tenders called for supply of Magnesium Sulphate and also informed that M/s. Sivashakthi Bio Technologies Ltd. is supplier of Boron 10.5%, Boron 20%, Zinc 12% Foliar and Ferrous Sulphate 12% during 2017-18 and has been supplying without any complaint during 2016-17 and 2015-16. The APMARKFED has requested to accord permission to procure Magnesium Sulphate 9.6% Foliar @ Rs 28/- per Kg (excluding GST) and @ Rs.35/- (including GST @ 12%) on FOL from M/s. Sivashakthi Bio Technologies Ltd. to all destinations during 2017-18 in time.
- 4. The Special Commissioner of Agriculture has therefore requested to kindly accord permission to distribute Magnesium Sulphate 9.6% Foliar on 50% subsidy under departmental schemes at the rates finalised by APMARKFED during 2017-18 and nominate APMARKFED as Nodal Agency for supply of Magnesium Sulphate to all the districts in the state of Andhra Pradesh.
- 5. In the reference 3rd read above, the Special Commissioner of Agriculture, has requested the Government to accord permission for the Revised prices of micronutrients from July 1st 2017 due to implementation of GST, in **relaxation on the limitation of 2ha per farmer** and provide an additional budget of Rs.3397.83 Lakhs towards successful implementation of the programme in the State.
- 6. In the reference 4th read above, Government accorded permission for the revised prices of Micronutrients from July 1st 2017 due to implementation of GST and relaxation of the

limitation of 2ha per farmer for distribution of Micronutrients under 100% subsidy programme and requested the Special Commissioner of Agriculture, Guntur to furnish the expenditure particulars and actual budget requirement for further examination.

- 7. Government after careful examination, hereby accord permission to procure 150 M.tons Magnesium Sulphate 9.6% Foliar and @ Rs.35/- (including GST) on FOL from M/s. Sivashakthi Bio Technologies Ltd. for distribution on 100% subsidy under various departmental subsidy schemes during 2017-18. The Government also hereby nominate **A.P. MARKFED**, **Vijayawada** as Nodal Agency for supply of Magnesium Sulphate to all the districts in the state of Andhra Pradesh.
- 8. The Special Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P. Guntur and the M.D., A.P. MARKFED, Vijayawada shall take immediate further necessary action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

B. RAJSEKHAR, SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT(AGRI)(FAC).

To

The Special Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur. The Managing Director, A.P. MARKFED, Hyderabad.

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P.S. to Minister (Agri.).

P.S. to Spl. Chief. Secy.(Agri.)(FAC).

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