GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Agricultural Marketing Department - Cotton MSP operations for 2018 -19 - Action Plan for procurement of cotton by the Cotton Corporation of India in the 43 centers of Market Yards/notified ginning Mills for the season 2018-19 - Orders - Issued.

AGRICULTURE & COOPERATION (MKTG.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 724 Dated: 12-10-2018

Read:-

From the Special Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur, Lr.No.MI/1322786/2018, dated: .10.2018.

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ORDER:-

The Special Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur has prepared Plan of action for procurement of cotton by the CCI in the 43 centers of Market Yards/notified ginning Mills for the season 2018-19 and requested to approve the action plan and Constitute of District Level Committee and informed that Govt. have approved to notify the Ginning Mills by the District Collectors in Guntur, Kurnool, Prakasam and Krishna Districts on Pilot basis as purchase centers for procurement of cotton under MSP by the CCI for decentralization of cotton procurement operations.

- 2. The Government after careful examination is hereby approved the following plan of action for cotton procurement for the year 2018-19 prepared by the Spl.Commissioner & Director of Agricultural Marketing, AP, Guntur:
 - 1) Cotton purchases shall take place in the identified 43 CCI centers of market yards.
 - 2) In addition to the Market Yards, cotton procurement under MSP will take place at the ginning mills notified by the District Collector as purchase centers in Guntur, Kurnool, Prakasam and Krishna Districts on pilot basis.
 - 3) The Asst. Directors of Marketing, Guntur, Kurnool, Prakasam and Krishna shall co-ordinate with the Branch Manager, CCI, Guntur regarding identification of qualified ginning mills in their Districts.
 - 4) Based on the recommendations of the CCI, the above Asst. Directors shall request the concerned District Collectors to notify such ginning mills as purchase centers for procurement under MSP duly observing the deployment of required AMC staff and CCI staff for conducting procurement operations and also availability of latest versions software systems at the ginning mills for compatibility of TCS software.
 - 5) The District Collectors concerned will notify the ginning mills in the above four (4) Districts upon requests of the Asst. Directors and as per the recommendations of the Cotton Corporation of India (CCI).
 - 6) Use of Aadhar card for identification of farmer.

- 7) Regarding certification of cotton crop grown, extent cultivated etc., the details available on Aadhar based e-crop / e-panta booking of Agriculture Department. The e-crop booking of Agriculture Department is to be linked with the TCS software for compatibility for accessing data of cotton grown farmers.
- 8) Farmers/Tenant farmers will be indentified based on Aadhar based e-crop/e-panta booking or Aadhar based on-line Crop Cultivation Certificates (COC)/Loan Eligibility Card (LEC) issued by the Agriculture Officer concerned.
- 9) Documents to be produced by the farmer for sale of cotton in the market yard.
 - a) Photo copy of Aadhar card
 - b) Photo copy of the 1st and 2nd pages of Bank Pass Book of farmer (with details of Account number, bank name, branch and IFSC Code etc.,
 - c) Copy of the certificate of cultivation(COC)/LEC issued by the Agriculture Officer concerned (if not covered under e-crop booking).
- 10) Farmers shall be allowed to sell the quantity of cotton duly observing, as per the extent cultivated, average yield per Hectare and picking-wise production as furnished by the Agrl. Department. The mandal-wise productivity of cotton per hectare shall be obtained from Agrl. Department.
- 11) Online payment of sale proceeds to the farmer bank account by the CCI.
- 12) The above procedure shall also be followed for the procurement by CCI under MSP takes place at the notified ginning mills in Guntur, Kurnool, Prakasam and Krishna districts.
- 13) Wide publicity in villages regarding FAQ standards / quality parameters of cotton and the MSP rate as fixed by the Government of India.
- 14) Publicity shall be given regarding details of ginning mills notified by the District Collector for procurement by the CCI in Guntur, Kurnool, Prakasam and Krishna Districts and to bring the cotton to the nearest notified ginning mill for sale to reduce transportation charges.
- 15) Ensuring fire fighting arrangements to prevent fire accidents.
- 16) Insurance of all the structures in the market yard including stocks of cotton.
- 17) Availability of sufficient no.of equipment such as moisture meters, tarpaulins, certified electronic weighing scales and are in working condition.

- 18) Deployment of required no. of staff from other AMCs to the cotton markets and at the notified ginning mills during the cotton season.
- 19) The Software services of Tata Consultancy Services during this cotton season 2018-19 may be continued as was done during 2015-16, 2016-17 & 2017-18.
- 20) Tata Consultancy Services shall install the software in the notified ginning mills in the four (4) Districts i.e, Guntur, Kurnool, Prakasam and Krishna.
- 21) The Government constitute the following District Level Committee with the following members to monitor the cotton MSP operations for the year 2018-19 and to take necessary steps for proper conduct of operations.

1.	Joint Collector	-	Chairman
2.	Asst. Director of Marketing	-	Convener
3.	Joint Director of Agriculture	-	Member
4.	Addl. Superintendent of Police	-	Member
5.	District Fire Officer	-	Member
6.	Representatives of the CCI (Buyers)	-	Member
7.	Dy. Commissioner, Transport	-	Member
8.	Representatives of the Cotton Trade	-	Member

3. The Special Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur shall take further necessary action in the matter.

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

B.Rajsekhar, Spl.Chief Secretary to Government (FAC)

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The Special Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur.

The Commissioner & Director of Agriculture, AP, Guntur.

The Joint Collectors concerned.

The District Fire Officers concerned.

The Asst.Director of Marketing (concerned) through the Spl.Commissioner & Director of Agricultural Marketing, AP, Guntur.

The Joint Director of Agriculture through the Commissioner & Director of Agriculture The Representative of the CCI (Buyers) through the Spl.Commissioner & Director of Agricultural Marketing, AP, Guntur.

The Deputy Commissioner, Transport Department concerned.

The Representatives of the Cotton Trade through the Spl.Commissioner & Director of Agricultural Marketing, AP, Guntur.

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