

Public notice inviting suggestions

Suggestions are invited from general public / individuals/ entrepreneurs etc. having interest in the promotion / development/ taking up of commercial horticulture projects under National Horticulture Board Schemes No.1 (Development of commercial horticulture through production and post-harvest management) and 2 (Capital investment subsidy scheme for the construction / expansion/modernisation of Cold Storages / storage of horticultural produce) on **“Proposed stages in NHB SCHEME IMPLEMENTATION for new IPA Applications during 2018-19”** attached with the notice.

Suggestions may please be given at **email-id: jd.east.nhb@gov.in** and **md@nhb.gov.in** before **6th August 2018**.

With gratitude.

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‘Proposed stages in NHB SCHEME IMPLEMENTATION for new IPA Applications of Schemes No.1 &2 during 2018-19

Stage	Player	Step	Mode	Timeline	Remarks / Enclosures
1	Applicant	Submission of Prescribed Application - specific to the scheme along with DPR based on model template (will be hosted in NHB website) and cost of Application	Online	Open throughout year, as per Scheme design	No document is required to be enclosed at this stage.
2	NHB	Examines the Application and DPR and gets it appraised for Technical feasibility and capability of applicant / entrepreneurship duly considering the budget, priority and design of implementation of the offer / Year.	-	Target 1 Month	
3	Technical feasibility and entrepreneurship approval	In case a application/ project is rejected NHB will provide reasons for the decision. Further the entrepreneur is provided with an opportunity to make his case by way of presentation of his project on an appointed day in the presence of competent authority. (Optional) The objective is to help the entrepreneur to know the weaknesses of the current project and enable him/ her to review / revise his/ her project as deem appropriate to suit NHB	online		

		requirements. The entrepreneur is open to submit project proposal afresh.			
4	Applicant + Bank	<p>If the application/project is sound, NHB informs the approval of Technical feasibility and entrepreneurship to the applicant with a request to submit all the prescribed / requisite documents along with</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bank Appraisal of Market viability and Financial viability (should be after NHB Technical feasibility and entrepreneurship approval); • and Sanction (after Appraisal) within 6 months of NHB's technical feasibility and entrepreneurship approval. <p>Any lapse in time line, the technical feasibility and entrepreneurship approval stands vacated / rejected. However he is eligible for fresh submission.</p>	online	<p>Max. 1 month</p> <p>(Allowed max.6 months strictly)</p>	<p>Prescribed Self – attested documents including those specified in DPR checklist are to be submitted by the applicant.</p> <p>In case of Bank appraisal and sanction-Bank is to certify each page with signature, Name, Designation date, seal and upload online.</p>
5	Applicant	Undergoes 2 Weeks training programme (10 Working days) in case of Scheme NO.1 and 1 Week (5 day) programme in case of Scheme No.2 at his/her own expenses in an institute recommended /	-	2 or 1 Week	Training is mandatory before issuing IPA.

		approved by NHB.			
6	NHB	NHB examines the application, DPR with reference to documentary evidence and Bank Appraisal of Market viability and financial viability, keeping in view the availability of the budget, priority (SabkaSaathSabka Vikas) and design of implementation of the offer / Year.	-	2 months Target 1 Month	
7 Market & Financial Viability- IPA-		NHB takes decision on In-Principle Approval (IPA) and informs decision to the applicant with reasons/ grounds. IPA is issued only upon production of prescribed training completion certificate and its confirmation with the concerned institute. In approved cases, there will be a meeting of Entrepreneurs with MD, NHB with in 2 months of the said approval on a designated day and place both to explain NHB requirements in project implementation and any other technical and other guidance helpful to the entrepreneur. Participation of applicants to the meeting	online		

		will be at their own cost and is optional and voluntary.			
8	Applicant	Where ever IPA is issued- Applicant has to complete the project within the prescribed time limit. Else the IPA stands vacated / cancelled.		18 months from the date of release of first instalment of Term loan	
9	Applicant	Applicant submits subsidy claim within 3 months of completion of the project. Else the IPA stands vacated and rejected	Online + Hard copy	3 months	Self and Bank attested/ certified Prescribed documents
10	NHB + Bank/ FI+ State Govt+ Expert	NHB undertakes Joint Inspection of the field/ activity availing the services of NHB hired Photo cum Videographer in the presence of applicant. Also verify the all documentary evidences including Land RoR/Lease agreement, Legal search report, CA Certificate, Bank Sanction etc. with concerned authority- Bank and Revenue / Industries etc.	Physical inspection	Target: Max. within 30 days of request	
11		NHB Official hosts photographs and Video online preferably on the same day but not later than 48 hrs. The entrepreneur is free to hire his own	online	48 hrs from the conduct of Inspection	

		photo/video grapher for his purpose.			
	NHB	NHB JIT submits JIT report	Online with Hard copy	15 days	
12	NHB	NHB examines the JIT report and takes decision on release of subsidy subject to Scheme conditions and publish decision / minutes of competent authority with reasons in NHB website.	online	2 months	
13	NHB	In case NHB approves release of subsidy, releases funds within 15 working days of minutes of competent authority to SRF account subject to availability of funds.	Online	Target: 15 days	
14	Bank/ FI	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Deposit the subsidy into SRF account against the Term loan account of Borrower. 2. Shall not charge interest on Term Loan equivalent to subsidy from the date of receipt of subsidy. 3. Confirms the receipt of subsidy online. 4. Informs the receipt of subsidy to the applicant. 5. Shall inform if the Term loan account turns into NPA. 6. Closely monitor the project health minimum for 3 years or till the payment of term loan whichever is later. 7. Takes into 		On receipt of subsidy	

		consideration the NHB advisories.			
15	Applicant	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Confirms the receipt of subsidy online. 2. Implement project strictly as per scheme guidelines. 3. Maintain records and accounts. 4. Adopts technology / scientific package of practices and innovate marketing / business strategies. 5. Takes into consideration the NHB advisories. 6. Regularly reports the performance of project health 7. Share best practices if any to NHB. 		On receipt of subsidy	

Salient features:

1. Scheme is open on all days during 2018-19 as per scheme design.
2. There will be a helpline Number / email to address queries from anybody.
3. There will be a provision to create an account for each applicant. Any change in status of application will be informed by an SMS and in account. All the correspondence from both sides – Applicant, NHB and also of the Bank will be shown in the account.
4. For the best preparation: The applicant is advised to submit the application, DPR and cost of application, well in advance from the proposed date of project start.
5. Applicants whose projects are rejected at Technical feasibility & Entrepreneurship stage are welcome to resubmit the proposal for fresh examination with improved and corrected proposal.
6. Target / proposed timelines subject to Budget availability as per scheme design are:

Before IPA Approval	Technical feasibility and Entrepreneurship	1 Month
	Upon submission of Bank Appraisal: Market and Financial feasibility	2 Months
Post - project	Competent committee meeting for a decision on subsidy claim after JIT report	2 Months
	Fund release in case competent authority approves subsidy claim	1 months