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Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi, the 28th March, 2017

To
The Managing Director,
National Horticulture Board,
85, Sector-18, Institutional Area,
Gurgaon-122015, Haryana.

Subject - Modification in Operational Guidelines pertaining to schemes implemented by National Horticulture Board under MIDH

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the above noted subject and to say that following modifications in the Operational Guidelines pertaining to schemes implemented by National Horticulture Board under MIDH have been agreed to.

- (i) NHB is permitted to take up cold storage project in NE area for capacity of 1000 MT or above.
- (ii) The suggestion of NHB regarding word hilly area in NHB guidelines to be read as hilly States for subsidy on the pattern of HMNFH States is agreed to
- (iii) As regards subsidy claim, it is suggested that NHB may adopt following course of action:
 - (A) NHB would accept proposals only in those cases where term loan has already been sanctioned by the banks/FIs.
 - (B) NHB will circulate a checklist prescribing requirements of documents for issue of In-Principle Approval to the project proposal. Promoter to submit documents alongwith project proposal and the concerned area officer will forward the proposal to NHB headquarter after certifying that proposal is complete in terms of documents as per checklist.
 - (C) The proposals so received would be examined by NHB in a judicious manner preferably without interaction with the Promoter based on the circulated checklist. After such due diligence and scrutiny of documents, In Principle Approval may be issued by duly constituted Pre-Project Appraisal Committee of NHB.
 - (D) Bank would submit subsidy claim to NHB after release of 50% term loan to these projects by the Banks/FIs alongwith physical progress of the project/other related documents and thereafter on completion of necessary formalities, NHB shall release 50% subsidy to these projects after approval by duly constituted Empowered Committee/PAC.
 - (E) Upon completion of project, Bank would submit final subsidy claim alongwith required relevant documents. NHB would conduct the inspection by the Joint Inspection Team. Empowered Committee/PAC would decide the final subsidy claim as per recommendations of the JIT and thereafter balance 50% subsidy shall be released.

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2. The above modifications has the approval of Hon'ble Agriculture & Farmers Welfare Minister being the Chairman of General Council.

Yours faithfully,



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