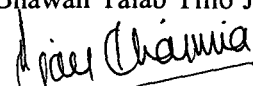


Expression of Interest

Sub: Promotion of Organic farming under Centrally Sponsored Schemes

EOI/proposals are invited from the interested service providers /agencies of repute to promote organic farming in the State under Centrally Sponsored Schemes in different Agro climatic zones (Temperate/Sub Tropical) in Jammu Division of J&K State.

1. The service provider agency will be required to facilitate group organic farming for conversion of conventional fields/farms to organic; ensure necessary technology transfer to farmers; ensure necessary documentation and facilitate certification, and assisting the farmers in marketing of organic produce.
2. The service provider must be familiar with the principles of organic agriculture and the National Programmes and National Standards of Organic Production, besides other essential requirements as laid down in the guidelines under the National Project on Organic Farming by the Govt. of India, Ministry of Agriculture. The interested service providers shall have to make a detailed presentation to justify their claims in this regard.
3. The activity shall be taken up in clusters of a minimum of 3 hectares in hilly areas and 10 hectares in plains.
4. The service provider shall have to sign a MOU/Agreement with Department of Agriculture Jammu on basis of mutually acceptable terms and conditions for the promotion of organic farming. The proposals which are not found suitable can be rejected without assigning any reason or notice.
5. Assistance of Rs. 10,000/- per hectare for the adoption of organic farming and Rs.10,000 per hectare for its certification will be provided to the service provider/agency as per guidelines of the scheme
6. The service provider /agency shall have to submit a Bank guarantee on mutually agreeable terms for the area assigned at the time of signing Memorandum of Understanding MOU/agreement with Department Of Agriculture, Jammu. The Director of Agriculture Jammu has the right reserved for assigning any areas to a particular service provider/agency for promotion of organic farming based upon their previous performance and existing strength , after evaluation of the proposals
7. Detailed terms and conditions can be had from the Joint Director Agriculture (Extension) Jammu on any working day from 10.00 to 4.00 P M or downloaded from Department website www.diragriammu.nic.in. The last date for submission of proposals under sealed covers to the Joint Director Agriculture (Extension) Krishi Bhawan Talab Tillo Jammu - 180002 will be 10.05.2011.


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