UNION TERRITORY OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR DIRECTORATE OF AGRICULTURE PRODUCTION & FARMERS WELFARE, JAMMU

Minutes of meeting for fixation of Procurement Rates of Seeds (Open Pollinated Crops) for Kharif 2022 Season and Potato seed (Seed Village).

A meeting of the above noted designated Committee was held on 16.03.2022 under the Chairmanship of Sh. K.K.Sharma, Director Agriculture, Jammu in his office chamber to finalize the Procurement Rates of seeds(Open Pollinated varieties) for Kharif 2022 Season and Potato seed to be procured from Seed villages. Following Officers/Members participated

in the meeting.

S.No.	Name of the Officer (Smt/Sh.)	Designation						
1.	Iqbal Choudhary	Director Agriculture, Kashmir (Virtual Mode)						
2.	Arvinder Singh Reen	Joint Director of Agriculture (Inputs), Jammu						
3.	R.K Hitaishi	Deputy Director Agriculture (Central) Jammu.						
4.	Dr. AmrishVaid	Nodal Officer, Seed, SKUAST-Jammu						
5.	Dr. Parveen Singh	Assistant Professor (PBG) SKUAST-Jammu						
6.	Dr. Anjani Kumar Singh	Sr. Scientist, SKUAST-Jammu						
7.	Randhir Sharma	Divisional Seed Certification Officer, Talab Tillo, Jammu						
8.	Sushil Rattan Sharma	Potato Development Officer, Jammu						
9.	Anita Sumbaria	Accounts Officer, Directorate of Agriculture, Jammu						

The detail of discussion held and decisions taken are as follows:

At the outset of the meeting, the intending officer Joint Director Agriculture (Inputs) Jammu welcomed the chair and the participating members. He presented a detailed proposal for fixation of procurement rates of different crop seeds for Kharif 2022 as per the agenda circulated in advance among the members. He also informed the Chair about the availability and rates offered by different seed corporations. The agenda was discussed in thread ware.

It was briefed that in view of the time bound and season bound nature of operations for seed purchase and distribution among farmers, there is need to timely fix the rates of crop seeds (OPV) for Kharif 2022 season. The Joint Director Agriculture (Inputs), Jammu informed the chair that as per the requirement of Chief Agriculture Officers of Jammu Division about 3304.80 qtls of Paddy(Coarse+Fine), fodder 500 qtls, pulses 157 qtls and oilseeds 20 qtls is to be supplied to the farmers during Kharif 2022.

In response to the requirement of seed, different seed supplying agencies were approached by the Joint Director Agriculture (Inputs), Jammu for availability and rates viz NSC, NAFFED, HILL, IFFDC, KVSSL, PSSC, USTDC and HSDC. Out of these 8 corporations only 6 corporations responded viz NSC, NAFED, IFFDC, PSSC, USTDC and HILL for availability and rates. The comparative statement regarding the rates was compiled by JDA (I) Jammu and placed before the committee for finalization of procurement rates.

The Committee deliberated upon the rates offered by the corporations and during the course of deliberations Director Agriculture, Jammu (Chairman) negotiated the rates with the representatives of the corporations telephonically. The negotiated rates of different corporations were approved by the committee as per the negotiated rates as shown in table-1.

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The Director Agriculture, Jammu (Chairman) asked the representatives of the corporations to send the confirmatory mail regarding acceptance of negotiated rates during the course of meeting.

NSC has agreed to lower the rates of Paddy (PB-1121, 1718, 1509) form Rs. 6500/- per qtl to Rs. 6300/- per qtl, Ginger from Rs.13500/- per qtl to Rs. 12500/- per qtl and Turmeric from Rs. 7500/- per qtl to Rs. 6500/- per qtl. Further, KVSSL has also agreed to lower the rates of Moong (SML-668/IPM-02-03) from Rs. 11700/- per qtl to Rs. 11200/- per qtl.

Table-1
Approved Procurement Rate for Kharif 2022 season of Open pollinated variety seeds

S. No.	Name of seed	Variety	Rates offered (Rs /qtl)						Lowest rates	Rates
			NSC	USTDC	HIL	IFFDC	PSSC	KVSSI.	(Rs/qtl)	in favour of
1.	Paddy Fine	PB-1121	6300		-	6500	5400		5400	PSSC
		PB-1718	6300		-	-	-	-	6300	NSC
		PB-1509	6300	-	-	-		-	6300	NSC
2.	Paddy Coarse	PR-113	4000	-	-	-	-	-	4000	NSC
3.	Moong	Virat IPM-205-07	11200		-	-	-	-	11200	NSC
		Sikha IPM-410-3	11200	-		T -	-		11200	NSC
		MH-421	11200		-	-	-	-	11200	NSC
		SML-668/IPM-02- 03	-	-	-	-		11200	11200	KVSSL
		MH-318			11700	-	-		11700	HIL
		SML-832	-		-	9500	-		9500	IFFDC
4.	Mash	PU-1/LBG-787			12700		-		12700	HIL
		PU-31	13000	10415	-	-	-	-	10415	USTDC
5.	Fodder	Sorghum Pantchari-6	7000	-	-	-	-	-	7000	NSC
		SSG Red/White	5400		7400		-	-	5400	NSC
		Sorghum Anant CSV-33	50000	-	-	-	-	-	50000	NSC
		Sorghum Nutri- gold CSH-24 MF	10000	-	-	-	-	-	10000	NSC
		Sorghum Nutri- sugar CSV-32F	12500	-	-	-	-	-	12500	NSC
		Maize J-1006	4500		-	-	-	-	4500	NSC
		Maize African Tall	5800	-	-	-	-	-	5800	NSC
		Bajra FBC-16	4300	-	- 1		-		4300	NSC
6.	Dhaincha	Dhaincha	5500	-	-	-	-	5000	5000	KVSSL
7.	Ginger	Suprabha/Suruchi	12500		-	-	-	-	12500	NSC
8.	Turmeric	Rajendra Sonia	6500	-	-		-	-	6500	NSC
9.	Ragi	VLM-379	-	6150	-	-	-	-	6150	USTDC
10	Kodo Millet	RK-390-25	14000	-	-	-	-	-	14000	NSC

It was also discussed that two new Corporations such as PSSC and USTDC are offering rates for first time and if they fail to provide the seed as per the quality norms, the same shall be procured from NSC at the rates offered by them.

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It was informed to the Chair that in order to cater the increasing demand of Potato Seed in Jammu Division, a Seed Village of different varieties of Potato was laid during Rabi 2021-22 Season covering 23 growers who have agreed to provide the seed size tubers after the harvesting. Out of 23, only 18 growers have been certified by the Seed Certification Agency of the Department and approx. 750 to 800 qtls of F-2 Category Potato seed will be procured from the said growers.

Keeping in view the cost of cultivation, the proposal of procurement rate of Rs 2700/per qtl as submitted by Potato Development Officer, Jammu was discussed in detail. The Committee Members deliberated on the various aspects and approved the rates of procurement of Potato Seed from farmers under Seed Village Programme @ Rs. 2700 per qtl

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The meeting ended with a vote of thanks from and to the Chair.

The minutes of the meeting have been issued with the consent of the Director Agriculture Producțion & FW, Jammu.

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