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From

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Programme Director, OPELIP**

To

All the Special Officer, Micro Project agency

Sub:

Execution of Farm Machinery Custom Hiring Centers

Sir,

It is to inform you that, PMU has prepared a detailed guideline on Farm Machinery Custom Hiring Centres. The guideline should be followed meticulously for implementation.

The JAO and AO should select the vibrant VDC for this purpose immediately within 15.4.2021 and inform the PMU for immediate implementation.

Enclosure: As above

Yours faithfully,


Programme Director

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Copy to FNGO Chief of concerned MPAs for information and necessary action.


Programme Director

Village Level Farm Machinery Custom Hiring Centre

Background:

Diversified agriculture and horticulture crops are grown in MPA areas. The challenge is to get higher yields, in spite of vagaries of nature besides other problems such as decrease in the availability of agriculture labourers and migration of farmers from rural area to urban areas etc. Mechanisation of farm activities is the need of hour to increase production and productivity. Though subsidy is being provided for farm machinery, due to prohibitive cost of farm machinery all farmers may not come forward to own them. Hence, establishment of Custom Hiring Centres is a boon for PVTG farmers.

Objectives:

1. To address the constraints in land preparation activities by providing efficient land preparation Farm machinery and equipment on Custom Hire Service basis.
2. To ensure Effective inter-cultivation and other cultural operations.
3. To ensure Effective harvesting with reduced harvest window leads to minimization of harvesting losses.
4. To encourage in-situ moisture conservation and to harness the residual moisture of Kharif season for Rabi Pulses and Oilseeds.
5. To enhance the production and productivity of the crops
6. To provide services of Hi - Tech Farm Machinery services to PVTG small and marginal farmers.
7. To run the centers throughout the year effectively, efficiently and profitably by the VDC

Selection:

1. A vibrant PVTG VDC should be selected for CHC
2. Village or nearby villages having more agricultural land and having crop /horticultural clusters should be selected for CHC
3. The villagers should also be interested in giving nominal user charges

Implementation:

1. Implements to be purchased in the name of the VDC
2. The User charges will be decided by the VDC
3. A user charges will be deposited in the VDC account
4. The user charges will be utilized for driver, fuels, minor repair/maintenance of tractor, power tiller or implements
5. The JAO/AO should select the VDC for CHC
6. OAIC/Asst. Agril Engineer should be contacted for purchase of the said implement