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Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare
(NFSM-Cell)

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi,
Dated: 15.06.2016

To,
Director General,
ICRISAT, Patancheru,
Hyderabad-502324

Sub: Administrative approval of ICRISAT project entitled “Scaling-up and popularization of high yielding pigeonpea hybrids for enhancing productivity of small & marginal farmers of Maharashtra, Karnataka and Odisha states of India” – reg.

Sir,

I am directed to convey that the competent authority of this department has approved the ICRISAT Project entitled “Scaling-up and popularization of high yielding pigeonpea hybrids for enhancing productivity of small & marginal farmers of Maharashtra, Karnataka and Odisha states of India” under Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National Food Security Mission (NFSM) for the financial year 2016-17 with a total outlay of **Rs. 77.965 lakh (Rupees Seventy seven lakh ninety six thousand five hundred only)**. The details of field demonstrations of pigeonpea hybrid has been approved under project for the year 2016-17 is at **Annexure-I**. The component-wise budget approved is as under:

Sl. No.	Components	2016-17 (Rs. in lakhs)
1.	Field Demonstrations @ Rs. 7,500/-per ha including cost of seed and management practices	67.50
2.	Monitoring activities including travel, field day, meeting etc.	3.375
Sub Total		70.875
3.	Administrative cost @ 10%	7.09
Total		77.965

2. The above project has been approved with the following conditions:-

- The project has been approved for only one year i.e. 2016-17 for implementation in 900 ha demonstrations (100 ha in each district) in three States namely Karnataka Maharashtra and Odisha @ Rs. 7,500/-per ha as per NFSM norms
- The prevalent high yielding varieties being used by the farmers will be planted as check for pigeon pea hybrids.
- The demonstrations of pigeonpea hybrid should be organized in cluster approach (at least 10 ha. for each cluster).
- Implementing agency should provide seed as one of critical inputs to farmers for organization of demonstration.
- Chemical fertilizers are not allowed as input under project. However payment of various operations/ services and inputs (seed, bio-fertilizers, soil ameliorants, micro-nutrients etc.) are allowed. Farmers have to apply recommended dose of chemical fertilizers from their own resources to attain potential yield.

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