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Subject: State-wise allocation of processing and packaging units under post-harvest infrastructure along with Standard Operating procedure (SOP) of component under 'Mission for Aatmanirbharta in Pulses'-reg.

Ref: OM No. 1-1/2025-NFSNM dated 18.10.2025.

Reference to above subject, it is informed that the 'Mission for Aatmanirbharta in Pulses' has been launched on 11.10.2025 for implementation from Rabi 2025-26 to FY 2030-31. The DA&FW has already issued operational guidelines for implementation of the Scheme by all States & UTs vide reference (i) above.

2.The post-harvest infrastructure is a centrally sponsored component of the Mission and the rate of assistance for processing and packaging unit is 33% of the project cost or upto Rs. 25 lakh per unit (whichever is less).

The post-harvest infrastructure component will be part of annual action plan of the States/UTs, however, to ensure timely creation of processing units under the Pulses Mission, the competent authority has approved State-wise targets under the above component, which is given below and States shall implement the component as per the Standard Operating procedure (SOP) (annexed) for Post-Harvest Infrastructure (Processing units) annexed-
(in Numbers)

S.No	States	Processing Units
1	Andhra Pradesh	22
2	Arunachal Pradesh	10
3	Assam	25
4	Bihar	37
5	Chhattisgarh	22
6	Goa	5
7	Gujarat	28
8	Haryana	5
9	Himachal Pradesh	5
10	Jammu & Kashmir	5
11	Jharkhand	22
12	Ladakh	5
13	Karnataka	30
14	Kerala	5

15	Madhya Pradesh	55
16	Maharashtra	34
17	Manipur	5
18	Meghalaya	5
19	Mizoram	5
20	Nagaland	11
21	Odisha	16
22	Punjab	5
23	Puducherry	5
24	Rajasthan	30
25	Sikkim	5
26	Tamil Nadu	21
27	Telangana	16
28	Tripura	8
29	Uttar Pradesh	56
30	Uttarakhand	9
31	West Bengal	16
	Total	528

Encl.: As above

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To,

The Commissioner/Director (Agriculture), of All States and UTs of J&K, Ladakh and Puducherry.

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SOP for Post-Harvest Infrastructure (Processing units)
(Under the Mission for Aatmanirbharta in Pulses)

Objective

The objective is to enhance value addition, and improve farmers' profitability by strengthening post-harvest infrastructure through establishment of Pulses processing units. The support is specifically aimed at empowering Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs), Cluster Level Federation, Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS), Entrepreneur and any other individual who wants to establish processing units that can in turn enhance efficiency in overall pulses value chain.

2. Eligible Entities

The Scheme would provide support to the following entities-

- (i) Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs)
- (ii) Cluster Level Federation (CLFs)
- (iii) Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS)
- (iv) Individuals
- (v) Any other registered undertaking under any Act

3. Eligibility Criteria**3.1 Group Category**

- (i) FPOs/CLFs/PACs should be registered and operational since last 2 years.
- (ii) The entity should possess sufficient internal resources to meet at least 15% of the project cost and margin money for working capital.

3.2 Individual Category

- (i) The applicant should be above 21 years of age.
- (ii) Only one person from a single family is eligible to receive financial assistance. For this purpose, the "family" would include self, spouse and unmarried children.
- (iii) Individual should possess sufficient internal resources to meet at least 15% of the project cost and margin money for working capital.

Note: The State/UT Government may give preference to SC/ST, Women, hilly areas and aspirational districts. State will also fix targeted districts.

4. Funding Pattern**4.1 Pattern of Assistance**

States/UTs	Centre and State Share	Financial Assistance for Beneficiary
Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal	60:40	33% of project cost or Upto Rs. 25 lakh per unit (whichever is less)*
Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Himachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, Tripura, Uttarakhand	90:10	
All UTs	100:0	

* This will be a subsidy and balance has to be provided by the applicant through margin money /loan.

4.2 Own Capital requirements

Since the government subsidy typically covers only a portion of the total project cost, the balance amount must be arranged by the project proponent through other means, which may include:

- i. **Own Capital or Contribution:** The Applicant may utilize personal funds or savings to meet 15% of the remaining project expenses beyond the subsidy.
- ii. ***Bank Loans/Financial Institutions:** Term Loans or working capital loans can be obtained from banks or financial institutions. Many banks offer specialized loan products for agro-based industries like dal mills, often at favourable interest rates.
- iii. **State Government Support:** The State Government may coordinate with relevant schemes such as the Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF) to maximize financial support for beneficiaries. Additional assistance or incentives provided by the State or local authorities can supplement the central subsidy, if any.
- iv. **Other Schemes and Grants:** Funds from other government schemes or grants aimed at rural development, agro-industries, or small-scale enterprises can be leveraged to meet remaining project cost.

***Note:** Bank Loan is mandatory for availing financial assistance under Pulses Mission.

5. Procedure for Inviting Applications

- State Department may invite applications from eligible entities/individuals either through the designated online portal or via the prescribed offline format through Public notice and advertisement.
- The State Government may advertise the financial assistance under Pulses Mission in newspapers, online portal, social media platforms, radio broadcasts and public notice boards to ensure broad outreach and accessibility.
- The State Government shall provide a minimum of 30 days for the submission of applications.
- Further, if eligible for AIF, then the application be forwarded to AIF portal upfront.

6. Scrutiny and Selection Process

6.1 Scrutiny, Evaluation and Approval of the Proposals

- (i) District Steering Committee on Pulses (DSCP) shall be responsible for Scrutiny and Technical Evaluation of the proposals submitted based on its relevance to Pulses Mission, operational and financial viability, proposed capacity and technology, past experience and record of accomplishment and linkage with producers.
- (ii) Applications shall be examined for completeness, eligibility and conformity with the guidelines.
- (iii) Incomplete applications shall be returned to the applicant for resubmission within a stipulated period.
- (iv) District Steering Committee on Pulses (DSCP) shall accord final sanction based on the committee evaluation.

7. Verification and Monitoring

- (i) District Agriculture Department under the supervision of DSCP is responsible for physical verification and monitoring of the processing units assisted under the Pulses Mission.
- (ii) Reports on physical verification and commissioning of the processing units shall be reported to the Gol and State Government.

8. Subsidy Disbursement

- i. Assistance shall be disbursed to the selected beneficiaries following the installation of the unit and physical verification as per the targets approved in the Annual Action Plan.
- ii. Funds shall be routed through the State directly to the beneficiary's Aadhaar-linked bank account.
- iii. Of the Financial assistance to be provided, 50% subsidy shall be released upon installation of the machinery and the remaining 50% subsidy shall be released on the successful functioning of the project.
- iv. This will be a subsidy and balance has to be provided by the applicant through margin money /loan.

9. General Conditions

- iv. The assistance will only be given for Plant and Machinery (excluding the costs for land & building, power or manpower, etc).
- v. Assistance is available for construction of new pulse processing unit, with a minimum capacity of the 300 kg per hour.
- vi. All machinery should conform to Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) or equivalent quality standards.
- vii. Compliance with food safety, environmental, and other regulatory standards (e.g., FSSAI) is mandatory.
- viii. All the beneficiaries shall maintain the asset for a minimum period of three years from the date of installation.
- ix. The units shall be subject to periodic inspection and monitoring by the Ministry or designated authorities.
- x. Any misuse or misappropriation of funds shall result in penalties and recovery proceedings as per prevailing government norms.
- xi. The beneficiary shall not transfer, sell, mortgage, or otherwise dispose of the assets acquired under the scheme during the period of three years since installation without prior approval from the Nodal authority.
- xii. Beneficiaries shall ensure adherence to all labour laws, safety norms, and statutory regulations applicable to operating the unit.
