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Agriculture – Price Support Scheme (PSS) – Oil seeds, pulses and cotton implement – procurement of Copra – through Tamil Nadu Co-operative Marketing Federation (TANFED), Agriculture Producers Co-operative Marketing Societies (APCMS) and Primary Agriculture Cooperative Credit Societies (PACCS) – Production, Sowing area, Average yield, Peak arrival /Harvesting period – Notified.

Agriculture (H2) Department

G.O.(Ms).No. 159

Dated:07.06.2016

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Read:

1. Press Note No.074, dated 02.06.2016.
2. From the Commissioner of Agriculture Letter No.OPC-3/19965/16, Dated 03.06.2016.

ORDER:

The Hon'ble Chief Minister has announced on 02.06.2016 that for the benefit of farmers the Government of Tamil Nadu will implement the Price Support Scheme (PSS) for procurement of Copra from farmers, the Hon'ble Chief Minister has announced that the Tamil Nadu Co-operative Marketing Federation (TANFED), Agriculture Producers Co-operative Marketing Societies (APCMS) and Primary Agriculture Co-operative Credit Societies (PACCS) will procure copra through direct procurement centres at the Minimum Support Price (MSP) at Rs.59.50/kg for Milling copra and Rs.62.40/kg for Ball copra.

2. As per the guidelines issued by the Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Agriculture & Cooperation for Price Support Scheme a notification has to be issued by the Government giving the details such as expected production, sowing area, average yield, peak arrival / harvesting period for the crops for which Minimum Support Price (MSP) is declared and the State Government is willing to implement the Price Support Scheme (PSS).

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3. In the letter 2nd read above, the Commissioner of Agriculture has sent a proposal to notify the details of crop production of copra and average yield as detailed below:

Notification Proposal for Copra in Tamil Nadu

Sl.No	Particulars	:	Details	
1.	Crop	:	Coconut	
2.	Commodity to be notified	:	Copra	
3.	Crop Calendar year	:	throughout the year	
4.	Harvesting period	:	throughout the year	
5.	Commencement of arrival of Copra	:	June	
6.	Peak arrival period	:	June to November	
7.	Details of Coconut production in Tamil Nadu	:	Area	4.28 Lakh Hectare (as per Estimate of 2014-2015)
		:	Expected Production of Coconut	49890 lakhs nuts
		:	Average yield per hectare	11661 nuts
		:	Expected Copra production	262000 MT
		:	Ruling market price	Rs.50 to Rs.54 per kg of copra

4. The Government after careful consideration accept the proposal of Commissioner of Agriculture and decide to implement the Price Support Scheme (PSS) for procurement of Copra in Tamil Nadu and accordingly issue a notification as annexed to this Government order.

/By Order of the Governor/

S.Vijayakumar
Agricultural Production Commissioner
and Secretary to Government

To
The Commissioner of Agriculture, Chennai -5.

- The Director of Horticulture and Plantation Crops, Chennai - 5.
The Principal Secretary/Commissioner of Agricultural Marketing and Agri.
Business, Chennai - 32.
The Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) Department, Chennai-35.
The Principal Secretary, Cooperation, Food and Consumer Protection
Department, Chennai-9.
The Registrar, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore-3.
The Executive Director, Tamil Nadu Watershed Development Agency,
Chennai-32.
The Registrar of Cooperative Societies, Chennai-10.
The Works Manager, Government Central Press, Mint Buildings,
Chennai - 600 079. (with a request to publish the notification in the
Government Gazette Extraordinary and to send 500 copies to this
Department)
The Accountant General, Chennai-6 /18.

Copy to:

- The Chief Minister's Office, Chennai-9.
The Senior Personal Assistant to Minister for Agriculture, Chennai-9.
The Private Secretary to Agricultural Production Commissioner and
Secretary to Government, Agriculture Department, Chennai-9.
All Sections in Agriculture Department, Chennai-9.
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S. Kesava Dey
Section Officer

Annexure

NOTIFICATION

GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU
AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT
SECRETARIAT, CHENNAI - 9.

Dated the 7th June 2016.

G.O.(Ms).No. 159, Agriculture (H2) Department, Dated 07.06.2016

Crop Calendar and
Harvesting Period of
Copra in the State of
Tamil Nadu

A remunerative and stable price environment for coconut growers/farmers is very important for increasing Coconut production and productivity. The market Price for Copra many times tends to be unstable and volatile which has resulted into undue losses to the growers / farmers as well as discourage adoption of the modern technology and required inputs.

The Government's price policy for agricultural commodities seeks to ensure remunerative prices to the growers for their produce with a view to encourage higher investment and production and to safeguard the interest of consumers by making available supplies at reasonable prices with low cost of intermediation. The price policy also seeks to evolve a balanced and integrated price structure in the perspective of the overall needs of the economy.

Towards this end, the Government of India announce a Minimum Support Price (MSP) for major agricultural commodities each year in both the Crop seasons after taking into account the recommendations of the Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP).

In the scheme for the procurement of Copra in the year of 2016-2017 as per the guideline of Government of India, (Department of Agriculture and Cooperation) the notification regarding Crop calendar and Harvesting period of coconut in Tamil Nadu is to be required as part of proposal.

Therefore, Government of Tamil Nadu is willing to implement the Price Support Scheme(PSS) and its operation in Tamil Nadu and accordingly declare the following details:

Particulars	Details	
Crop	Coconut	
Area	4.28 lakh hectares	
Expected production	49890 lakh nuts	
Average yield	11661 nuts/hectare	
Peak arrival	June to November	
Expected quantity of procurement	50000 MT	
Proposed duration of the scheme	June 2016 to November 2016	
Period of harvest	Throughout the year (Coconut is a perennial crop)	
Details of Coconut production in Tamil Nadu	Area	4.28 Lakh Hec (as per Estimate of 2014-15)
	Expected Production of Coconut	49890 lakhs nuts
	Average yield per hectare	11661 nuts
	Expected Copra production	262000 MT
	Ruling market price	Rs.50 to Rs.54 per kg of copra

S.Vijayakumar
Agricultural Production Commissioner
and Secretary to Government.

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S. Kousalya
Section Officer

Agriculture (H2) Department

Sl.No.	G.O No & Date	Subject
1.	G.O.(Ms).No.43, Agri.(H2) Dept., dated 3.2.2016	Agriculture – Coconut Development Board assisted schemes – Production and Distribution of Hybrids and other released varieties for the year 2015-16 – First and final instalment released by Coconut Development Board – Financial sanction for a sum of Rs.36.00 lakh accorded – Orders – Issued.
2.	G.O.(Ms).No.63, Agri.(H2) Dept., dated 9.2.2016	Agriculture – Establishment of Dwarf X Tall Coconut nursery at Vaduvur, Thenpathi II Village of Needamangalam Block, Mannargudi Taluk of Thiruvarur district at a cost of Rs.69.35 lakh – Sanction and Administrative Approval – Orders – Issued.
3.	G.O.(Ms).No.75, Agri.(H2) Dept., dated 12.2.2016	Horticulture – Urban Horticulture Development Scheme – Do-it-yourself-kit under 2015-16 – Advertisement and Transport – Rs. 37.00 lakhs – Sanction accorded – Orders – Issued.
4.	G.O.(Ms).No.112, Agri.(H2) Dept., dated 4.3.2016	Agriculture – Coconut Development Board assisted schemes- Implementation of the scheme “Integrated Farming in Coconut Holding for productivity Improvement – Laying out of Demonstration Plots (New & Maintenance) during 2015-16 – Financial Sanction for a sum of Rs.21,87,500 – Orders – Issued
5.	G.O.(Ms).No.159, Agri.(H2) Dept., dated 7.6.2016	Agriculture – Price Support Scheme (PSS) – Oil seeds, pulses and cotton implement – procurement of Copra – through Tamil Nadu Co-operative Marketing Federation(TANFED), Agriculture Producers Co-operative Marketing Societies (APCMS) and Primary Agriculture Cooperative Credit Societies(PACCS) – Production, Sowing area, average yield, peak arrival /harvesting period – Notified.

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