

BRIEF NOTE ON APMIP IN SPSR NELLORE

It is to submit that Andhra Pradesh Micro Irrigation Project started during 2003-04 to promote farmers to take up drip and sprinkler irrigation to save water, labour, energy and to increase the productivity, quality.

APMIP has achieved 16,206 Ha from 2003 to 2009. Due to increase of subsidy from 70% to 100% to SC, ST and 90% to other farmers more number of farmers came forward to take up Drip installations during 2010-11 & 2011-12. Jain, Netafim, Finolex, Vishaka, Nandi, Signet companies are working for grounding of scheme along with APMIP staff. A part from that 5 years guarantee and conducting after sales services for the benefit of the farmers and to supplying spare parts to the farmer by the Drip installation companies.

POINTS TO BE DISCUSSED WITH CHIEF MINISTER REGARDING APMIP.

Per family subsidy allowed is up to 1 lakh for SC & ST's and Rs.90,000 per small marginal farmers. But some of the SC, ST, small farmer and marginal farmers already availed subsidy for sprinkler irrigation i.e. Rs.13320 and for Drip Irrigation below 20,000 (for 1 Ha). Those farmers who have availed subsidy one is not eligible to avail balance subsidy for MI system installation for the remaining land he owns as per the present APMIP guidelines.

It is necessary to allow SC, ST, Small farmers and marginal farmers to allow balance subsidy up to maximum of Rs. 1 lakh per family which helps poor families in SPSR Nellore District to avail MI System for better quality and productivity of their crops.

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