

F. No. 3-2/2018-CS(S)-ES
Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture, Co-operation & Farmers Welfare
Directorate of Economics & Statistics (CS Division)

342, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated: 4th December, 2020

To,

Sh. George Mecheril,
124, Lawyers Chamber, KHCAA Complex,
Ernakulam, Kerala-682031

Subject: RTI application of Sh. George Mecheril, Delhi dated 09.11.2020 received online vide registration no. DOEAS/R/T/20/00134, seeking information regarding Comprehensive scheme for Cost of Cultivation (CS).

Sir,

I am directed to refer your RTI application forwarded through mail from CC Division dated 13.11.2020 seeking information regarding Comprehensive scheme for Cost of Cultivation (CS).

The Central Sector Scheme "Comprehensive Scheme for Studying the Cost of Cultivation of Principal Crops in India" popularly known as Cost of Cultivation Scheme, is being implemented by the Ministry in 19 States to work out the state wise estimates of cost of cultivation/production in respect of selected 25 crops. These estimates furnished to the CACP, inter-alia form an important basis for arriving at the Minimum Support Prices being decided by the Government. This scheme is being implemented in 19 states through 16 selected Agricultural Universities/Colleges. To meet the expenses for implementation of this scheme, 100% funds are provided to the Implementing Agencies as Grants-in-Aid for smooth functioning of the scheme.

The scheme presently covers 25 major crops namely paddy, wheat, jowar, bajra, maize, ragi, barley, moong, urad, arhar, gram, masur, groundnut, rapeseed and mustard, nigerseeds, safflower, soyabean, sunflower, sesamum, cotton, jute, sugarcane, onion, potato, and coconut. The combination of crops covered in each state varies from state to state depending upon their importance in terms of its relative contribution in the production of the relevant crop at all-India level.

The first appeal, if any, against the reply may be made within 30 days of receipt of reply to Sh. P. Sangeeth Kumar, Adviser & Appellate Authority, Room No. 445-A, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110001. (Ph. 011-23382236 email: adviser.sdds-agri@nic.in).

Yours faithfully,



(M.B. Khandare)
Assistant Director

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1. RTI cell, DAC&FW, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
2. Technical Director, NIC,341, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.
3. Sh. Rameshwar Singh, Dy. Eco. Adviser & CPIO, DES, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.