

**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
A & N ADMINISTRATION**

CITIZEN CHARTER

**Our mission, Commitment & Performance for
Development of Agriculture in Andaman &
Nicobar Islands**

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THIS CHARTER IS THE STATEMENT OF THE MISSION AND COMMITMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, UNION TERRITORY OF ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS.

- Area under Agriculture - 50,000 ha.
- Area permanently submerged due to Tsunami - 4206 ha
- Net area available for Agriculture after Tsunami - 45794 ha.
- Nature of Soil
 - Heterogeneous - Sandy to heavy clay
 - pH - 3.75 to 7.5
- Number of farms and plantation - 29 numbers
- Number of Sub-Depot - 49 numbers
- Agricultural Zones - 8

OUR MISSION

- To improve socio economic conditions of the farming community.
- For increasing agricultural production.

OBJECTIVE

- To increase agricultural production and productivity.
- Supply of services and agricultural inputs.
- Provide marketing facilities for agriculture produce.
- Transfer of technology through training, demonstrations etc.,
- Conservations of soil.
- Post Harvest Management to reduce yield losses.
- Provide Crop Insurance coverage.
- Provide Minor Irrigation facilities through water harvesting, ponds, check dams etc.,

OUR PROGRAMMES

The main responsibility of our Department is to develop agriculture in the Islands in a systematic and scientific line. Taking into consideration of the financial backwardness of the farmers of these Islands, we are providing the following Assistance under plan and central sector schemes :-

A. Assistance under Plan

1.	20% cost subsidy for all seeds & fertilizer and other inputs.
2.	50% cost subsidy for organic manures / biofertiliser / organic and Bio pesticide.
3.	20% cost subsidy for plant protection equipments
4.	100% transport subsidy on the purchase of all Agriculture inputs
5.	Distribution of power tiller (8 Bhp & above) to the farmers on loan-cum-subsidy/cash subsidy @ 40% of cost subsidy limited to ` . 45000/- which ever is less with 100% transport subsidy
6.	Distribution of Tractor (upto 40 PTO hp) with matching implements, extension wheel, cage wheel on loan-cum-subsidy i.e. 25% of the cost subsidy limited to ` .1.00 lakh which ever is less with 100% transport subsidy.
7.	Distribution of modern farm machineries/ equipments to the farmers on loan-cum-subsidy/ cash subsidy i.e 40% of cost subsidy limited to ` . 45000/- which ever is less with 100% transport subsidy
8.	100% subsidy on crop insurance premium (Paddy and Pulses)
9.	Risk Fund @ ` . 2000/- per Ha for paddy, pulses and ` . 3000/- per Ha for vegetables and spices.
10.	Financial support for procurement/ distribution of agriculture inputs by PACS or other agencies.
11.	20% cost subsidy and 100% transport subsidy for planting materials and seeds imported from mainland including medicinal & Aromatic plants and other inputs like PHM equipment including planting materials of root crops.
12.	50% Cost subsidy subject to maximum of Rs. 1500/- per Bee colony with 100% transport subsidy for bee-hives boxes
13.	50% cost subsidy or maximum of ` . 20,000/- for the production of ordinary/ vermicompost in cultivators fields
14.	50% cost subsidy or maximum of ` . 10,000/- and 100% transport subsidy for improved Copra dryer.
15.	Assistance to be provided @ ` . 30000/- per ha to each cluster 50 ha x 30000/-. Clusters organized by 10 to 15 farmers in the selected Gram Panchayat for commercial cultivation of vegetable.
16.	Cultivation of vegetable in homesteads/ Kitchen Garden, Cost of input kit @ Rs. 350/- per kits
17.	Assistance to be provided to each Educational Institution @ ` . 10,000/- for 50 schools for cultivation of vegetable by teacher/students groups.
18.	Assistance @ ` . 10,000/- to be provided to women group to organize local markets in particular areas and days for marketing vegetable produced in the Homestead/Kitchen Garden.

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19.	Assistance @ ` . 20,000/- to each decentralized nurseries for creating infrastructure facilities to produce quality planting material for production of spices.
20.	Assistance for planting of new pepper standards @ ` . 25/- per pepper standards to promote pepper production through out these Islands.
21.	Training incentive to trainee farmers @ Rs. 75/- per farmer per day
22.	Conservation of soil in individual holdings/ Development of hilly land, Promotion of BBF on 50% loan-cum-subsidy/ shramdhan-cum-subsidy to individual and for co-operative.
23.	50% of the cost as subsidy on construction of MI Ponds, Pump sets, Wells etc. on loan-cum-subsidy/shramdhan-cum-subsidy or cash-cum-subsidy to individual beneficiary and cooperative societies.
24.	Installation of Micro irrigation system with assistance @ 75% of the system cost including pumpset or ` . 93,750/- whichever is less and 100% transport subsidy (maximum 2 ha/beneficiary/coconut farming cooperative society.

B. Assistance under Centrally Sponsored Schemes

High Value Agriculture Schemes

- Assistance for cut flowers (small and marginal farmers) in the form of cash and kind @ 50% of the cost subject to Rs. 35,000/ha limited to 2 ha per beneficiary.
- Assistance for Bulbulous flowers (small and marginal farmers)in the form of cash and kind @ 50% of the cost subject to Rs. 45,000/ ha limited to 2 ha per beneficiary
- Assistance for Loose flowers (small and marginal farmers) in the form of cash and kind @ 50% of the cost subject to Rs. 12,000/ ha limited to 2 ha per beneficiary
- Assistance for construction of Green House structure -
 - i. Fan & Pad System in the form of cash/kind @ 50% of the cost subject to a maximum of Rs. 732.50/Sq.mt limited to 1000 Sqmt per beneficiary.
 - ii. Tubular structure in the form of cash/kind @ 50% of the cost subject to a maximum of Rs. 467.50/Sq.mt limited to 1000 Sq.mt per beneficiary.
 - iii. Wooden Structure in the form of cash/ kind @ 50% of the cost subject to a maximum of Rs. 257.50/Sq.mt limited to two units (each unit not to exceed 500 sqmt.) per beneficiary.
- Assistance for Plastic Mulching in the form of cash/kind @ 50% of the total cost subject to a maximum of Rs. 10,000/ha limited to 2 ha per beneficiary.
- Assistance for construction of Shade Net House:
 - i. Tubular structure in the form of cash/kind @ 50% of the cost subject to a maximum of Rs. 300/Sq.mt limited to 1000 Sq.mt per beneficiary.

- ii. Wooden Structure in the form of cash/ kind @ 50% of the cost subject to a maximum of Rs. 205/Sq.mt limited to two units (each unit not to exceed 200 sqmt.) per beneficiary.
- Assistance for construction of Plastic Tunnel in the form of cash/kind @ 50% of the cost subject to a maximum of Rs. 15/Sq.mt limited to 1000 Sq.mt per beneficiary.
 - Assistance for planting material of high value vegetables grown in poly house - 50% of the cost subject to a maximum of Rs. 52.50 per sqmt limited to 500 sqmt per beneficiary.
 - Assistance for planting material of flowers for poly house - 50% of the cost subject to a maximum of Rs. 250/- per sqmt limited to 500 sqmt per beneficiary.
 - Assistance for organic certification – maximum of Rs. 5.00 lakh for a cluster of 50 ha which includes Rs. 1.50 lakh in 1st year, Rs. 1.50 lakh for 2nd year and Rs. 2.00 lakh in 3rd year.
 - Assistance for setting up of organic manure pit/Vermi compost- 50% cost subsidy or Rs. 20,000/- whichever is less.
 - 25% cost subsidy limited to Rs. 10,000/- unit for purchase of improved Copra Dryer.
 - 50% cost subsidy limited to Rs. 5.0 lakh for setting up of integrated coconut processing unit.
 - 50% back ended capital investment subsidy, 25% contribution from beneficiary and 25% term loan from bank for project based schemes for commercial cultivation of horticulture crops.
 - 50% back ended capital investment subsidy, 25% contribution from beneficiary and 25% term loan from bank for construction, expansion and modernization of cold storage.

Time frame for disposal of various applications

S. No.	Name of Service	Designation of the officer	Room No. / office	Phone No.	Time frame for Disposal
1.	Issue of No dues certificate	AD (Admn.)	301	232256	7 days
2.	Issue of loan-cum-subsidy to farmers / Shramdan-cum-subsidy				
	(a) Minor Irrigation	AD (AE) MI	208	232513 Extn. 211	121 days
	(b) Soil Conservation	AD (Soil)	208	232513 Extn. 209	121 days
	(c) Farm Mechanization	AD (AE) FM	106	232513 Extn. 105	121 days
3.	Issue of Soil Health Card	AD(Soil) Seed Testing Lab	Office of AD (Soil.) STL, Goalghar	234851/232627	90 days
4.	Issue of Seed Licence	JD(Agri.) HQ	206	232580	18 days
5.	Issue of Recommendation report to DC for issuance of pesticides licence to pesticides dealers.	AD(Agri.) HQ	205	232580 Extn. 205	19 days
6.	Assistance for Horticulture	AD (Agri.) HVADA	HVADA office, Horticulture Station	237284	89 days
8.	Market Information on Agriculture commodities of local market.	AD (Agri.) HQ	205	232580 Extn. 205	3 days
9.	Weather forecast of A&N Islands for farmers	NO (IT)	111	233026	1 day
10.	Redressal of grievances	1. JD (Agri.) S/A (Public Grievance Officer)	207	232513 Extn. 207	7-10 days (SA) 20-25 days (N&M) 40 days (Nicobar group)
		2. AD(Admn.) (Staff Grievance Officer)	301	232256	

APPLICATION FORMS FOR VARIOUS SCHEMES-AGRICULTURE

1.	Application to obtain Soil Conservation loan
2.	Application to avail Tractor Implements and Accessories on loan-cum-subsidy.
3.	Application for Loan-cum-Subsidy for pumpset
4.	Application for Cash-cum-Subsidy for pumpset
5.	Application for Loan-cum-subsidy for M.I. Ponds.
6.	Application for Shramdan-cum-subsidy for M.I. Ponds.
7.	Application for coconut New Planting subsidy (1 st year, 2 nd year, 3 rd year)
8.	Applications for financial assistance under NHM schemes i.e. perennial, protected cultivation, bee- keeping etc.
9.	Application for grant-in-aid for introduction of modern copra dryer
10.	Application for availing subsidy for organic manure protection unit
11.	Application for financial assistance for laying out demonstration plots in coconut garden for 1 st and 2 nd year (Integrated farming for productivity)
12.	Application for base line format for rejuvenation and replanting of coconut garden.
13.	Applications for availing assistance for M.I Pond under R.K.V.Y.
14.	Application for availing assistance under Scheme “ Promotion of Vegetable cultivations” under R.K.V.Y.
15.	Application for availing assistance under Scheme “ Promotion of Organic cultivations” under R.K.V.Y.