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Laying out of Demonstration plot (LODP):

The objective of the programme is to improve production and productivity of the coconut holdings through an integrated approach and thereby increasing the net income from unit holdings with the following component programmes.

Operational Guideline:

1. The scheme is being implemented through State Department exclusively in Schedule Caste Sub Plan (SCSP) and or Tribal Sub Plan.
2. The plots shall be identified on cluster basis in a contiguous area of appropriate size of 25-50 ha irrespective of the individual size of the holdings.
3. For schemes implemented through the State Department of Agriculture /Horticulture the expenditure on actual basis subject to ceiling of the approved amount and approved pattern of assistance will be met by the Coconut Development Board. Any expenditure incurred over and above this will have to met by the State Government from its own resource.
4. Financial assistance of Rs.35,000 per ha in two annual installments (i.e. Rs. 17,500/- per ha per year for 2 year) is provided for adoption of integrated management practices. A beneficiary farmer is eligible to avail a maximum financial assistance of Rs. 100/- per palm @ 175 palms per ha
5. The selection of the cluster is based on criteria such as demonstration value, easy accessibility, availability of minimum infrastructure facilities for the adoption of average management practices, cohesiveness of the group and most importantly the readiness of the farmers in the cluster to assume responsibility and implement the programme in a farmer participatory mode as per the Board's guidelines.
6. The state level implementing Agencies may also be submit the monthly and quarterly report on the status of implementation of the scheme regularly to the Board on-or before 10th of every succeeding month to enable the Board to compile and forward a consolidated progress report to Govt. of India.
7. A senior officer from the Department of Agriculture may be nominated as contact person for implementation of CDB schemes including SCSP/TSP.
8. Indicative items that should be supplied to the beneficiary under LODP programme are Fertilizer and Micronutrients (NPK fertilizer, Borax, MgSO₄) Intercrops (Sunhemp seeds, dhaincha seeds, Turmeric, papaya seedlings, Black pepper cuttings, cinnamon seedlings, lemon seedlings, cocoa etc), Plant Protection (Chlorpyriphos, Azadirachtin, Monocrotophos, Copper Oxy-Chloride, Hexaconazole)