

Government of West Bengal
Department of Food and Supplies
Procurement Cell
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No. 861-FS/Sectt/Food/4P-09/23(Pt.-II)

Dated: 20.02.2024

Order

Sub: Operation of Mobile CPCs (mCPC) in KMS 2023-24


In the interest of the small and marginal farmers of the State, Order vide no. 4511-FS dated 16th October, 2023 was issued for opening of mobile Centralised Procurement Centers (mCPCs) in addition of the CPCs, DPCs etc. in KMS 2023-24. It was stated that these mCPCs will remain operational in the remotest areas for paddy procurement under control of DCF&S in addition to CPCs as notified from time to time. It was also stated that these mCPCs will operate in fixed five locations in each week, the details of the locations will be assigned by the DCF&Ss in procurement portal.

Now, following guidelines are hereby detailed in connection with the organising and functioning of the mCPCs in coming months of KMS 2023-24:

1. The mCPC shall continue to operate till May, 2024;
2. mCPCs shall organise procurement camps in different villages at least 10-15 days in advance. Before scheduling a camp, SCFS/DCFS should do survey / assessment of paddy procurement/willingness of the farmers to sell paddy in consultation with BDO, officers of Agriculture Department and then schedule a camp in a village. These camps should be different places on 4-5 days of the week;
3. After assessment and scheduling of the camp the mCPC should visit these villages at least 9 to 5 days before the camp and undertake –
 - a) miking,
 - b) meeting with farmers and facilitation,
 - c) registration,
 - d) updation,
 - e) scheduling by / of farmers for selling the paddy
4. In effect mCPC should visit the village twice, i.e. 9 to 5 days before the camp for purchase and on day of the purchase.
5. SCFS shall submit a weekly report on performance of each mCPC and share with DCF&S and in the Whatsapp group on every Saturday from now onward .
6. Vehicle hiring is allowed for the months of April and May, 2024. This is in continuation of order no. 4893-FS/Sectt./Food/4P-17/2022(Pt.I) dated 14th December, 2022.


This is issued in partial modification of the Order issued vide no. 4511-FS dated 16th October, 2023 and with the approval of the Competent Authority of this Department and will take immediate effect.

This is issued in the interest of public service.


Senior Special Secretary to the
Govt. of West Bengal

Copy forwarded for information and taking necessary action to:-

1. The Director, Directorate of DDP&S, F&S Department, with a request to submit the performance report of the functioning of the mCPCs on 3rd April & 2nd May, 2024 respectively to Procurement Cell alongwith a proposal for any further extension.
2. The District Magistrate (All except Kalimpong).
3. The Sr. Special Secretary (Food Cell), F&S Department.
4. The Addl. Secretary (IT & Reforms Cell), F&S Department.
5. The Financial Advisor, F&S Department.
6. The Director of Finance, F&S Department.
7. The OSD, Procurement with a direction to coordinate with the DDPS in obtaining report on functioning of the mCPCs in April and May, 2024 and place it for further continuation of the mCPCs if required.
8. The District Controller, F&S (All except Kalimpong).
9. The P.S. to the Hon'ble MIC, Food & Supplies Department.
10. The P.S. to the Hon'ble MoS, Food & Supplies Department.
11. The P.A. to the Pr. Secretary, Food & Supplies Department.
12. The President, Bengal Rice Mills Association


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