

F. No 3-4/2020- M&T (I&P) (113279)  
Government of India  
Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare  
Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare  
(Mechanization & Technology Division)

Krishi Bhawan New Delhi,  
Dated 22<sup>nd</sup> August, 2023

**Subject: Inclusion of Surface Seeder Machine for financial assistance under Sub-Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM) & Crop Residue Management (CRM) Scheme - Regarding**


The undersigned is directed to invite a reference to the Directorate of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Government of Punjab letter No. 2023/2957 dated 18<sup>th</sup> July 2023 requesting inclusion of Surface Seeder in the list of machines to be given on subsidy under SMAM/CRM Scheme.

The proposal has been examined in this Department and the competent authority of this Department has recommended that the States along-with the machines already covered under SMAM/CRM Schemes, may also extend financial assistance to the Surface Seeder machines as per the choice of beneficiaries and as per the pattern of assistance as already approved under the SMAM and CRM Schemes. As the machine has been recently developed by the PAU Ludhiana and testing of the machine by the FMTTIs and authorized testing institutes of DA&FW may take time and the availability of test report is unlikely before the paddy harvesting season. Therefore, the requirement of test report for empanelment of suppliers/manufacturers of Surface Seeder machine has been relaxed as a one-time exemption for the current year keeping the special circumstances in view and with the condition that manufacturers shall undertake to provide warranty for a minimum period of 3 years and provide all necessary after sales services and spare parts for the machines.

The Financial assistance for the Surface Seeder machine, may be as under:

Type of Agricultural Machinery	For SC, ST, Small & Marginal farmers, Women and NE States beneficiary under SMAM and all beneficiaries under CRM		For other beneficiary under SMAM	
	Maximum Permissible subsidy per Machine/ Equipment per beneficiary inclusive of GST	Pattern of Assistance	Maximum Permissible subsidy per Machine/ Equipment per beneficiary inclusive of GST	Pattern of Assistance
Surface Seeder	Rs. 40,000	50%	Rs. 32,000	40%

This is issued with the approval of competent authority of this Department.

  
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Copy for information and necessary action to:

- 1) All State Nodal Officers implementing SMAM/CRM