



ABSTRACT

Agriculture - Farmers Welfare - National Mission on Natural Farming (NMNF) - Administrative Sanction for an amount of Rs.601.30 lakh and Financial sanction for an amount of Rs.233.283 lakh towards 1st installment for the year 2026-2027 - Accorded - Orders - Issued.

AGRICULTURE - FARMERS WELFARE (AP3) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms.)No.93

Dated 09.06.2026

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Read:

1. Government letter No.71/AP1(2)/2026-12, dated 02.03.2026.
2. From the Under Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, NM Division, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi letter F.No.20-29/2025, NMNF-Part(1)(FTS 162053), dated 21.04.2026.
3. From the Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, National Mission on Natural Farming letter No.20-29/2025-NMNF, dated 05.05.2026.
4. From the Director of Horticulture & Plantation Crops letter No.GOI.1/3465/2026, dated 09.05.2026.
5. From the Director of Agriculture letter No.GOI-5/ 48646 / 2026, dated 12.05.2026

ORDER:

National Mission on Natural farming aims at creating institutional capacities for documentation and dissemination of best practices, making practicing farmers as partners in promotion strategy, ensuring capacity building and continuous hand holding and finally attracting farmers to the natural farming willingly on the merit of the system. In order to promote natural farming, Department of Agriculture and Department of Horticulture and Plantation Crops have proposed to implement second year activities of 60 Clusters (Old project) formed during the year 2025-2026 and first year activities of 25 Clusters (New project) covering 1250 ha area (with the

cluster size of 50 ha each) of Agricultural and Horticultural crops covering Natural Farming Pre-dominant districts.

2. In the letter 1st read above, the State Level Sanctioning Committee (SLSC) has approved the Annual Action Plan (AAP) of National Mission on Natural Farming (NMNF) scheme and allocation for the year 2026-2027 to a tune of Rs.1710.000 Lakh. The Government of India has communicated the approval for Annual allocation for the year 2026-2027 to a tune of Rs.601.30 lakh (Central Share (60%) - Rs.349.94 lakh and State Share (40%) - Rs.233.30 lakh 100% Central Share Training Component – Rs. 18.06 Lakh) and in the letter 3rd read above, the Government of India has communicated the first installment central share mother sanction under General, SCP and TSP categories to the tune of Rs.139.97 lakh for the year 2026-2027. The total 1st installment release, including the 40% State share is Rs.233.283 Lakh. The Department wise split up of AAP is detailed below:-

NATIONAL MISSION ON NATURAL FARMING(NMNF) - Annual Action Plan 2026-2027				
				(Rs. in lakh)
S. No	Component	Agriculture	Horticulture	Total
	Old Clusters- 2nd year activities			
1	Engagement of Krishi Sakhis	48.000	24.000	72.000
2	Output based Incentive	200.000	100.000	300.000
	Sub Total(60:40Share)	248.000	124.000	372.000
3	Programs at Panchayat level	2.000	1.000	3.000
	Sub Total	2.000	1.000	3.000
	Total-A	250.000	125.000	375.000
	New Clusters- 1st year activities			
1	Engagement of Krishi Sakhis	17.200	10.8216	28.0216
2	Awareness generation Programs at Gram Panchayat(GP)	1.200	0.800	2.000
3	Output based Incentive	75.000	50.000	125.000
4	NF Certification Charges	15.750	10.500	26.250
5	Orientation Programme	0.360	0.240	0.600
6	Kit for enrolled farmers(Study Materials, etc.,)	3.750	2.500	6.250
7	Support for mobile device for Krishi sakhis	-	-	-
8	Setting up of Bhartiya Prakritik Bio-input Resource Centre (BRC)	10.000	7.000	17.000
	Sub Total	123.260	81.8616	205.1216

	Admin Fund	2.480	1.660	4.140
	Total– New clusters 1st year (60:40 Share)	125.740	83.5216	209.2616
1	Training for Krishi Sakhis	3.600	2.400	6.000
2	Training for FARMERS	4.685	3.125	7.810
3	Programs at Panchayat level	0.750	0.500	1.250
	Sub Total	9.035	6.025	15.060
	Total-B	134.775	89.5466	224.3216
	Committed Liability – 2025-2026 - C	0.800	1.1784	1.9784
	Grand Total(A+B+C)	385.575	215.725	601.300

3. Based on the above mother sanction, the Director of Agriculture has sent the consolidated proposal requesting to accord administrative sanction for the approved AAP of Rs.601.30 lakh and financial sanction for an amount of Rs.233.283 lakh as the first instalment towards the implementation of the scheme by Department of Agriculture and Department of Horticulture and Plantation Crops. The department wise split-up details of first instalment release under the scheme is as follows:-

(Rs.inLakh)

Dept	Total	Gen Total	GOI Share	State Share	SC	GOI Share	State Share	ST	GOI Share	State Share
Agri	149.300	116.443	69.870	46.573	31.364	18.816	12.548	1.493	0.896	0.597
Horti	83.983	65.507	39.300	26.207	17.636	10.584	7.052	0.840	0.504	0.336
Total	233.283	181.950	109.170	72.780	49.000	29.400	19.600	2.333	1.400	0.933

National Mission on Natural Farming	Approved Allocation/ Annual Action Plan 2026-2027 (Rs.in lakh)	Committed Liability (2025-2026) to be sanctioned (Rs.in lakh)	First release to be sanctioned for AAP 2026-2027 (Rs.in lakh)	Total fund to be sanctioned (Rs. in lakh)
Agriculture				
Old Clusters (40 Nos)	248.000	0.800	124.000	124.800
New Clusters (15 Nos)	125.740	0.000	24.500	24.500
Horticulture				
Old Clusters (20 Nos)	124.000	1.1784	62.0000	63.1784
New Clusters (10 Nos)	83.5216	0.000	20.8046	20.8046
Total	581.2616	1.9784	231.3046	233.283

The Total Committed Liability (2025-26) to be sanctioned for NMNF to Department of Agriculture during 2026-27 is Rs.0.800 Lakh and for Department of Horticulture is Rs.1.1784 Lakh.

4. After careful examination of the proposal of the Director of Agriculture, the Government hereby accord administrative sanction for Rs.601.30 lakh (Rupees Six crore one lakh and thirty thousand only) (Rs.385.575 lakh for Department of Agriculture and Rs.215.725 lakh for Department of Horticulture and Plantation Crops) and financial sanction for an amount of Rs.233.283 lakh (Rupees Two crore thirty three lakh twenty eight thousand and three hundred only) (Rs.149.300 lakh for Director of Agriculture and Rs.83.983 lakh for Department of Horticulture and Plantation Crops) as 1st installment for the implementation of National Mission on Natural Farming (NMNF) during the year 2026-2027.

5. The amount sanctioned in para 4 above shall be debited to the heads of account as per the Annexures A. Physical and Financial Components, Guidelines shall also be as per the Annexure B and C.

Details of SNA-SPARSH:

1.	CSS code	:	4139
2.	CSS Name	:	National Mission on Natural Farming (NMNF)
3.	SLS Code	:	TN376
4.	SLS Name	:	TN376-National Mission on Natural Farming (4139)
5.	State Drawing Account No. in Reserve Bank of India	:	01512701445
6.	State Drawing Account Name in Reserve Bank of India		00502TN376DOANMNF

6. The Director of Agriculture is permitted to fix a limit of Rs.83.983 lakh to Department of Horticulture and Plantation Crops in SNA SPARSH portal for implementation of NMNF scheme as per the financial sanction given in Para 4 above and to disburse the funds under 100% Government of India share components through MANAGE as per instructions of Government of India.

7. The Government permits the Director of Agriculture and Director of Horticulture and Plantation Crops to operate the scheme completely through SNA SPARSH mode as mandated by the financial procedure outlined by Government of India and to issue any executive instructions while implementing the scheme.

8. As the expenditure is to be incurred through various drawals as and when expenditure is incurred, by various DDOs mapped under the scheme, the Director of Agriculture and the Director of Horticulture and Plantation Crops are directed to ensure that the overall expenditure does not exceed the amount sanctioned in this Order by all the DDOs mapped under the scheme put together. Also, the Director of Agriculture and the Director of

Horticulture and Plantation Crops are directed to strictly adhere to the SNA-SPARSH guidelines issued in Government Letter No.573, Finance (PFMS) dated 06.01.2025 and dated 17.02.2025.

9. Further, the Director of Agriculture is permitted to implement the 100% Government of India share components viz., Training for Krishi Sakhis, Training for Farmers, Programmes at Panchayat Level through Agricultural Technology Management Agency (ATMA) under 100% Government of India Share components to MANAGE.

10. The Director of Agriculture shall strictly adhere to the instructions, Operational Guidelines of National Mission on Natural Farming (NMNF) scheme annexed without any exception and the conditions stipulated in the Government of India letter third read above while implementing the schemes of National Mission on Natural Farming.

11. The implementing authorities are hereby directed:-

- to scrupulously follow the National Mission on Natural Farming (NMNF) scheme broader Guidelines issued by the Government of India and follow the cost norms and pattern of assistance while implementing the projects.
- to ensure proper implementation of the projects and complete them in time.
- to fix the targets based on the need and potential of the districts.
- to monitor the implementation process and progress at the State and District levels effectively and;
- to furnish the consolidated monthly progress reports to the Government of India as well as to the State Government.

12. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O. No. 14028735 / Finance (Agriculture-Farmers Welfare) Department, dated. 08.06.2026.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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**AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION COMMISSIONER AND
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To

The Director of Agriculture, Chennai - 5.

The Director of Horticulture and Plantation Crops, Chennai -5.

The Executive Director, Tamil Nadu Watershed Development Agency,
Chennai-32.

The Secretary, Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Krishi Bhavan,
New Delhi -110 001.

The Accountant General, Chennai-18. (By name)

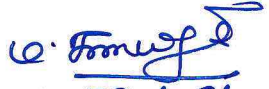
The Treasury Officer / Sub-Treasury Officer concerned.

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The Pay and Accounts Officer (South), Chennai-35.
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ANNEXURE – A

**(G.O.(Ms.)No.93, Agriculture-Farmers Welfare (AP3) Department,
dated.09.06.2026)**

The Head of account wise details for **Rs.233.283 lakh** is furnished below:-

2401 00 Crop Husbandry -108 Commercial crops – Schemes shared between State and Centre – VY–National Mission on Natural Farming (NMNF)

Activities / Intervention	Detailed Head	Sub detailed head	DPC	Rs. in lakh
National Mission on Natural Farming (NMNF)	309-Grants-in- Aid	03-Grants for specific schemes	2401 00 108 VY 30903	181.950

2401 00 Crop Husbandry - 793 Special Central assistance for scheduled castes component plan – Schemes shared between State and Centre – WH - National Mission on Natural Farming (NMNF)

Activities / Intervention	Detailed Head	Sub detailed head	DPC	Rs. in lakh
National Mission on Natural Farming (NMNF)	309-Grants-in- Aid	03-Grants for specific schemes	2401 00 793 WH 30903	49.000

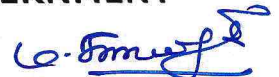
2401 00 Crop Husbandry -794 Special Central assistance for Tribal sub plan – Schemes shared between State and Centre – WB - National Mission on Natural Farming (NMNF)

Activities / Intervention	Detailed Head	Sub detailed head	DPC	Rs. in lakh
National Mission on Natural Farming (NMNF)	309-Grants-in- Aid	03-Grants for specific schemes	2401 00 794 WB 30903	2.333

Grand Total – Rs.233.283 Lakh

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ANNEXURE-B

**(G.O.(Ms.)No.93 , Agriculture-Farmers Welfare (AP3) Department,
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

The component wise allocation of funds proposed is as follows:

A. The detailed split up of components for Committed Liability (2025-2026) is given below:-

S. No	Component	Committed liability (2025-26)		
		Committed liability (2025-2026) sanctioned (Rs. in lakh)	GOI Share (Rs. in lakh)	State Share (Rs. in lakh)
1	Support for Bio-input Resource centres (BRCs)	0.8000	0.4800	0.3200
	Total	0.8000	0.4800	0.3200

B. The detailed split up of components for Second year activities of Old 40 Clusters formed in 2025-2026 as 1st instalment for 2026-27 is given below:-

S. No	Component	Cost breakup	Administrative sanction for NMNF 2026-27 (Rs. in lakh)	1st Release (Rs. in lakh)			Remarks
				Total Amount	GOI Share	State Share	
1	Engagement of Krishi Sakhis	2 Krishi Sakhis (CRP) per cluster - 16 days (5 hours per day) per month as per actuals ₹300 per day + ₹200 for TA per month as per actuals ₹1.2 Lakhs per Krishi Sakhis (CRP) for 2 years - for 1 Year	48.000	24.000	14.400	9.600	
2	Awareness generation Programmes at	4 programmes Per year. programme cost - ₹2000/-- 1	-	-	-	-	

	Gram Panchayat (GP)	Resource person @ ₹500/-, all inclusive - Refreshments @ ₹20/ for 50 participants = ₹1000/-- Miscellaneous (Pamphlets, banner, stationary etc) @ ₹500/- for 2 years 8 programmes					
3	Output based Incentive to trained farmers	₹4000/- per acre per year for a cluster of 50 Ha land for 2 years (₹300 per month to practice NF, train more farmers, upkeep of livestock/ preparation of inputs/ purchase of NF inputs from BRC and ₹400 per year as one time support for procurement of drums, etc.) - Maximum incentive up to 1 acre per farmer - for 1 Year Programme	200.000	100.000	60.000	40.000	
4	NF Certification charges	₹2100/- per Ha	-	-	-	-	
5	Orientation Programme for farmers	2 programme per year. Per activity cost = ₹1200/-- TA to Block Level coordinator travel @ ₹200/-- Refreshments @ ₹20/- per participants - Miscellaneous (Pamphlets, banner, stationary, etc.) @ ₹500/- 4 Programmes for 2 years	-	-	-	-	

6	Kit for enrolled farmers (Study Materials, etc)	₹200/- per farmer for a cluster of 125 farmers- Farm dairy @ ₹50/- - Study material @ ₹100/- - FAQ booklet @ ₹50/-	-	-	-	-	
7	Support for mobile device for Krishi Sakhi's	Need based onetime cost @ ₹4,000 per Krishi Sakhi/ (CRP)	-	-	-	-	
8	Support for Bio-input Resource centres (BRCs)	Rs.1 lakh per BRC will be provided as support to set up BRC, in two tranches of Rs. 50,000 each	-	-	-	-	
	Sub Total		248.000	124.000	74.400	49.600	
	Admin Fund		-	-	-	-	
	Grand Total		248.000	124.000	74.400	49.600	
1	Training for Krishi Sakhis		-	-	-	-	This fund will be given through separate savings account
2	Training for Farmers		-	-	-	-	
3	Programmes at Panchayat level		2.000	-	-	-	
	Sub Total		2.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	
	Grand Total		250.000	124.000	74.400	49.600	

C. The detailed split up of components for First year activities of New 15 Clusters as 1st instalment for 2026-27 is given below:-

S. No	Component	Cost breakup	Admini- strative sanction for NMNF 2026-27 (Rs. in lakh)	1 st Release (Rs. in lakh)			Remarks
				Total Amount	GOI Share	State Share	
1	Engagement of Krishi Sakhis	2 Krishi Sakhis (CRP) per cluster - 16 days (5 hours per day) per month as per actuals ₹300 per day + ₹200 for TA per month as per actuals ₹1.2 Lakhs per Krishi Sakhis (CRP) for 2 years - for 1 Year	17.200	6.000	3.600	2.400	

2	Awareness generation Programmes at Gram Panchayat (GP)	4 programmes Per year. program cost - ₹2000/- 1 Resource person @ ₹500/-, all inclusive - Refreshments @ ₹20/ for 50 participants = ₹1000/-- Miscellaneous (Pamphlets, banner, stationary etc) @ ₹500/- for 2 years 8 programmes	1.200	1.200	0.720	0.480	
3	Output based Incentive to trained farmers	₹4000/- per acre per year for a cluster of 50 Ha land for 2 years (₹300 per month to practice NF, train more farmers, upkeep of livestock/ preparation of inputs/ purchase of NF inputs from BRC and ₹400 per year as one time support for procurement of drums, etc.) - Maximum incentive up to 1 acre per farmer - for 1 Year Programme	75.000	-	-	-	
4	NF Certification charges	₹2100/- per Ha	15.750	7.500	4.500	3.000	
5	Orientation Programme for farmers	2 programme per year. Per activity cost = ₹1200/- TA to Block Level coordinator travel @ ₹200/-- Refreshments @ ₹20/- per participants - Miscellaneous (Pamphlets, banner, stationary, etc.) @ ₹500/- 4 Programmes for 2 years	0.360	0.360	0.216	0.144	

6	Kit for enrolled farmers (Study Materials, etc)	₹200/- per farmer for a cluster of 125 farmers- Farm dairy @ ₹50/- - Study material @ ₹100/- - FAQ booklet @ ₹50/-	3.750	3.750	2.250	1.500	
7	Support for mobile device for Krishi Sakhi's	Need based onetime cost @ ₹4,000 per Krishi Sakhi/ (CRP)	-	-	-	-	
8	Support for Bio-input Resource centres (BRCs)	Rs.1 lakh per BRC will be provided as support to set up BRC, in two tranches of Rs. 50,000 each	10.000	5.000	3.000	2.000	
Sub Total			123.260	23.810	14.286	9.524	
Admin Fund			2.480	0.690	0.414	0.276	This fund will be given through separate savings Account
Grand Total			125.740	24.500	14.700	9.800	
1	Training for Krishi Sakhis		3.600	-	-	-	
2	Training for Farmers		4.685	-	-	-	
3	Programs at Panchayat level		0.750	-	-	-	This fund will be given through separate savings Account
Sub Total			9.035	24.500	14.700	9.800	
Grand Total			134.775	24.500	14.700	9.800	

DEPARTMENT OF HORTICULTURE AND PLANTATION CROPS

A. The detailed split up of components for Committed Liability (2025-26) is given below:-

S. No	Component	Committed liability (2025-26)		
		Committed liability (2025-26) to be sanctioned (Rs. in lakh)	Government of India Share (Rs. in lakh)	State Share (Rs. in lakh)
1.	Engagement of Krishi Sakhis	0.40000	0.24000	0.16000
2.	NF Certification charges	0.77840	0.46704	0.31136
	Total	1.17840	0.70704	0.47136

B. The detailed split up of components for Second year activities of Old 20 Clusters as 1st instalment for 2026-2027 is given below:-

S. No	Component	Cost breakup	Admini- strative sanction for NMNF 2026-27 (Rs. in lakh)	1 st Release (Rs. in lakh)			Remarks
				Total Amount	GOI Share	State Share	
1	Engagement of Krishi Sakhis	2 Krishi Sakhis (CRP) per cluster - 16 days (5 hours per day) per month as per actuals ₹300 per day + ₹200 for TA per month as per actuals ₹1.2 Lakhs per Krishi Sakhis (CRP) for 2 years - for 1 Year	24.000	12.000	7.200	4.800	
2	Output based Incentive to trained farmers	₹4000/- per acre per year for a cluster of 50 Ha land for 2 years (₹300 per month to practice NF, train more farmers, upkeep of livestock/ preparation of inputs/ purchase of NF inputs from BRC and ₹400 per year as one time support for procurement of drums, etc.) - Maximum incentive up to 1 acre per farmer - for 1 Year Programme	100.000	50.000	30.000	20.000	
	Sub Total		124.000	62.000	37.200	24.800	
	Admin Fund		-	-	-	-	
	Grand Total		124.000	62.000	37.200	24.800	
1	Training for Krishi Sakhis		-	-	-	-	This fund will be given through separate savings account
2	Training for Farmers		-	-	-	-	
3	Programs at Panchayat level		1.000	-	-	-	
	Sub Total		1.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	
	Grand Total		125.000	62.000	37.200	24.800	

C. The detailed split up of components for First year activities of New 10 Clusters as 1st instalment for 2026-2027 is given below:-

S. No	Component	Cost breakup	Admini- strative sanction for NMNF 2026-27 (Rs. in lakh)	1 st Release (Rs. in lakh)			Remarks
				Total Amount	GOI Share	State Share	
1	Engagement of Krishi Sakhis	2 Krishi Sakhis (CRP) per cluster - 16 days (5 hours per day) per month as per actuals ₹300 per day + ₹200 for TA per month as per actuals ₹1.2 Lakhs per Krishi Sakhis (CRP) for 2 years - for 1 Year	10.8216	6.000	3.60000	2.40000	
2	Awareness generation Programs at Gram Panchayat (GP)	4 programmes Per year. program cost - ₹2000/-- 1 Resource person @ ₹500/-, all inclusive - Refreshments @ ₹20/ for 50 participants = ₹1000/-- Miscellaneous (Pamphlets, banner, stationary etc) @ ₹500/- for 2 years 8 programmes	0.800	0.800	0.480	0.320	
3	Output based Incentive to trained farmers	₹4000/- per acre per year for a cluster of 50 Ha land for 2 years (₹300 per month to practice NF, train more farmers, upkeep of livestock/ preparation of inputs/ purchase of NF inputs from BRC and ₹400 per year as one time support for procurement of drums, etc.) - Maximum incentive up to 1 acre per farmer - for 1 Year Programme	50.000	-	0.000	0.000	
4	NF Certification charges	₹2100/- per Ha	10.500	6.000	3.600	2.400	
5	Orientation Programme for farmers	2 programme per year. Per activity cost = ₹1200/-- TA to Block	0.24	0.240	0.144	0.096	

		Level coordinator travel @ ₹200/-- Refreshments @ ₹20/- per participants - Miscellaneous (Pamphlets, banner, stationary, etc.) @ ₹500/- 4 Programmes for 2 years					
6	Kit for enrolled farmers (Study Materials, etc)	₹200/- per farmer for a cluster of 125 farmers- Farm dairy @ ₹50/- Study material @ ₹100/- - FAQ booklet @ ₹50/-	2.500	2.500	1.500	1.000	
7	Support for mobile device for Krishi Sakhi's	Need based onetime cost @ ₹4,000 per Krishi Sakhi/ (CRP)	-	-	0.000	0.000	
8	Support for Bio-input Resource centres (BRCs)	Rs.1 lakh per BRC will be provided as support to set up BRC, in two tranches of Rs. 50,000 each	7.000	5.000	3.000	2.000	
	Sub Total		81.8616	20.540	12.324	8.216	
	Admin Fund		1.660	0.2646	0.159	0.1056	
	Grand Total		83.5216	20.8046	12.483	8.3216	
1	Training for Krishi Sakhis		2.400	-	-	-	This fund will be given through separate savings account
2	Training for Farmers		3.125	-	-	-	
3	Programs at Panchayat level		0.500	-	-	-	
	Sub Total		6.025	-	-	-	
	Grand Total		89.5466	20.8046	12.483	8.3216	

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**GUIDELINES FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF NATIONAL MISSION ON
NATURAL FARMING 2026-2027**

1. Natural Farming:

Natural Farming (NF) is a chemical free farming, involving livestock (preferably local breed of cow) integrated natural farming methods and diversified crop systems rooted in the Indian traditional knowledge. It is aimed towards improving soil health and restoring ecosystems and reducing input cost to the farmer to achieve greater climate resilience. NF recognizes the interdependence of the natural ecosystem amongst soil, water, microbiome, plants, animals, climate and human requirements.

2. Implementing Districts:

National Mission on Natural farming is to be implemented in the districts as below:-

Agriculture**No. of districts:31**

Ariyalur, Cuddalore, Dharmapuri, Dindigul, Erode, Kallakurichi, Kancheepuram, Karur, Krishnagiri, Madurai, Mayiladuthurai, Nagapattinam, Namakkal, Perambalur, Pudukkottai, Ramanathapuram, Salem, Thanjavur, Theni, Thenkasi, Tirunelveli, Thirupathur, Thoothukudi, Tiruppur, Thiruvallur, Tiruvannamalai, Tiruvarur, Trichy, Vellore, Villuppuram, and Virudhunagar.

Horticulture:**No. of Districts:21**

Ariyalur, Coimbatore, Cuddalore, Krishnagiri, Dindigul, Dharmapuri, Thiruvallur, Theni, Thoothukudi, Ramnad, Namakkal, Tiruvannamalai, Thirupathur, Salem, Madurai, Tenkasi, Virudhunagar, Sivagangai, Pudukkottai, Nilgiris and Villupuram.

3. Formation of District level Monitoring Committee and Block Level Monitoring Committee

Composition of District level Monitoring Committee	
District collector	Chair Person
Joint Director of Agriculture	Member Secretary
Deputy Director of Agriculture (GOI)	Member
District KVK Head	Member
Horticulture, Animal Husbandry officers	Member
Natural farming practicing farmer	Expert Members
Composition of Block Implementing Committee (Agriculture)	
Assistant Director of Agriculture	Chair Person
Block Development Officer	Member Secretary
Agricultural Officer	Member
BTM (Block Technology Manager) / ATM (Assistant Technology Manager)	Member
Horticulture, Animal Husbandry officers	Member
Natural farming practicing farmer	Expert Members

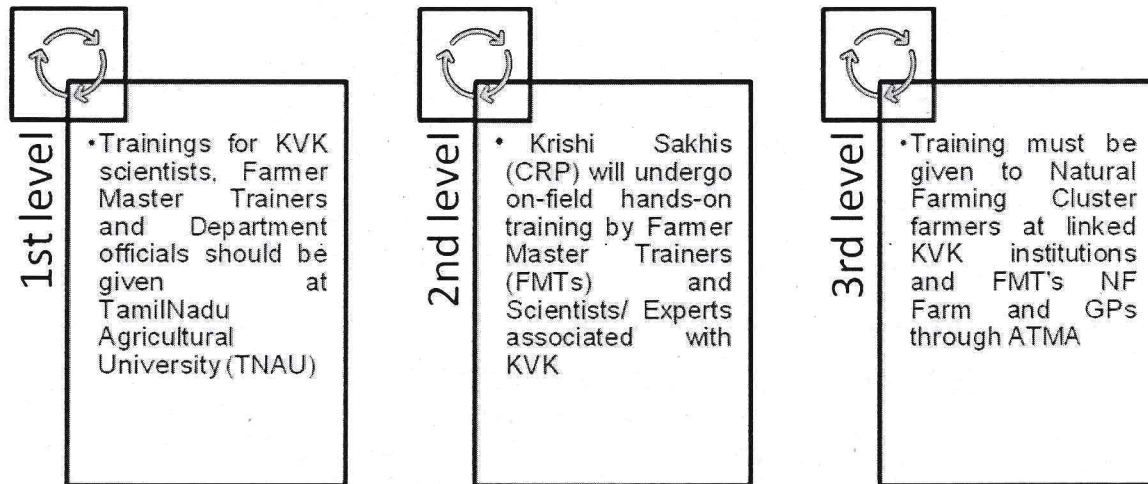
Composition of Block level Monitoring Committee (Horticulture)	
Assistant Director of Horticulture	Chair Person
Block Development Officer	Member Secretary
Horticultural Officer	Member
Animal Husbandry officer	Member
Natural farming practicing farmer	Expert Members

The above District level Monitoring Committee and Block Level Monitoring Committee should be created at respective levels immediately as per **G.O.(Ms).No.212, Agriculture-Farmers Welfare (AP3(1)) Department, dated.06.08.2025.**

4.Functions of District level Monitoring Committee & Block Level Monitoring Committee

- Oversee the implementation of scheme components through regular meetings with committee members and other stakeholders
- Ensuring convergence of schemes of various departments and linking of clusters with markets
- Supervision of scheme implementation at their respective levels.

5. Training Flow chart to be followed:



6. Criteria for selecting Farmer Master Trainers, Krishi Sakhis, Beneficiaries and Bio-input Resource Centres

Farmer Master Trainers (FMTs)	1. Must be practicing NF for a minimum of 3 years with a well-established NF farm. 2. Once selected, the FMT should be willing to undergo training at Centres' of Natural Farming or other training institutions. 3. Preferably belong to the same Block/ District that is located near the associated training center (KVK/ AU/ LNFI). 4. Should be committed to provide training, conduct exposure visits, visit the clusters for hand-holding of farmers and Krishi Sakhis (CRP) through demonstration, preparation of on-farm inputs, etc. 5. Should continue to practice NF and maintain their farm as a NF model demonstration farm for training other farmers. 6. Should be aware of local contexts and communicate in local language. 7. Preferably have prior experience in providing training on NF. 8. Krishi Sakhi (CRP) are also eligible to become FMTs. 9. FMT shall be nominated by District level Monitoring Committee
	1. Must be a Krishi Sakhi / Women SHG member. 2. Krishi Sakhis must have experience in NF for a minimum of 1 year. If no such Krishi Sakhi is found, then any

Krishi Sakhis (CRPs)	other active SHG member, who is keen to learn, practice NF and is willing to take up the role can be selected. In both the instances the farms of the Krishi Sakhi (CRP) will be used as NF model demonstration farms. 3. Should provide an undertaking that she / he will practice NF and prepare their farm as NF model demonstration farm in the next two years. 4. Must be active and able to give time in the cluster for all the mission implementation activities. 5. Must preferably be a resident of the respective cluster. 6. Must have basic knowledge of using smart phones / tab. 7. Should be committed to undergo training programs, exposure visits, etc. 8. Krishi Sakhis shall be nominated by District level Monitoring Committee.
Beneficiaries (Natural Farming cluster Farmers)	1. Must possess Cultivable Land. 2. Willing to practice few or all NF packages of practices, to start within a portion of land. 3. Must be a resident of the Gram Panchayat. 4. Is willing to attend awareness generation meetings, training and demonstration on NF practices at KVKs and at the Gram Panchayat. 5. Willing to create awareness, train and handhold 6 more farmers to initiate NF package of practices. 6. Must ensure that their farm becomes a NF model demonstration farm and can be used for training 6 more farmers to initiate NF.
Bio-input Resource Centres (BRCs)	1. A BRC entrepreneur/ Group/ entity must be a practicing NF farmer or have such members, with prior experience of NF. 2. The BRC should be using the NF bio-inputs in their own farms. 3. In case there is no practicing NF farmer in the identified region, the State NF Cell may identify a farmer entrepreneur who is willing to initiate and practice NF starting from the immediate crop season and is trained in NF. 4. BRC must have access to raw materials such as livestock, plant-based biomass, etc. The BRC may also have an arrangement with the nearby <i>Goshala</i>, preferably from within the same Gram Panchayat, for supply of the required quantities of urine and dung.

	5. The BRC must have adequate space for preparation of NF bio-inputs and storage of finished products. 6. The application for BRC entrepreneur must consist of the following: I. Valid documents to prove her / his eligibility to become a BRC entrepreneur. II. Business proposal for the BRC with details such as location of the proposed BRC, status of NF in the location proposed, brief market analysis of the region the BRC will serve, strategy for marketing and increasing awareness about NF and sale of NF bio-inputs that are planned to be sold at proposed BRC, etc. III. List of NF bio-inputs that will be produced. IV. Details of the availability and sourcing of raw materials. V. Details of the partnership/ engagement with other SHG, FPO, PACS, Gaushala, Gram Panchayat or any other community-based organization in the area for running the BRC, if any. VI. Any other information as decided by the District Level Monitoring Committee, which are deemed necessary as per the local conditions and for effective set up and running of the BRC 7. The District Level Committee to review the applications, conduct spot visits, if needed, and evaluate the BRC Proposal, business plan and investment strategy for selection of the BRC and release of funds. The State NF Cell shall approve all the proposals. 8. The state NF Cell and District Level Monitoring Committee must ensure that the cost of the NF bio-inputs sold at the BRC must be affordable for all types of farmers, including but not limited to the small and marginal farmers who are in need of these NF bio-inputs.
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7.Roles and Responsibility of FMTs, Krishi Sakhis (CRPs), Natural Farming Cluster Farmers and Bio-input Resource Centres:

7.1 - Roles and Responsibility of Farmer Master Trainers:

- Train, guide and work with the farm worker in developing and maintenance of the NF model demonstration farm.
- FMT's own farm should continue to be a NF model demonstration farm and must be verified every year by agencies as decided by the District Level Monitoring Committee.

- Conduct regular monitoring and maintenance of NF model demonstration farms.
- Conduct training of trained willing farmers and Krishi Sakhis (CRP) at the NF model demonstration farms of training institutions (KVK/ AU/ LNFI).
- Conduct field visits to clusters for extension of NF and provide handholding support to Krishi Sakhi (CRP) and trained willing farmers in practicing NF.
- Support Krishi Sakhis (CRP) in monitoring field level activities and maintenance of farm diary.

7.2– Roles and Responsibility of Krishi Sakhis

- Regularly conduct community-wide awareness generation for GP members, SHGs/FPOs/PACS and other CBO members, School students, Anganwadi canters, Health workers and other community members.
- Mobilize farmers to take up NF.
- Conduct regular registration & enrolment of willing farmers.
- Conduct demonstrations of preparation of on-farm inputs like Jeevamrut, Beejamrut, etc. and trainings to willing farmers at GP.
- Ensure participation and attendance of willing farmers for all training programs.
- Work with trained willing farmers and form clusters.
- Handhold Trained Willing Farmers in practicing NF package of practices.
- Collect and upload periodic data of cluster level activities on NMNF IT Portal.

7.3– Roles and Responsibility of Natural Farming Cluster Farmer

- Initiate NF practices in a portion of their land.
- Attend awareness generation meetings on NF at Gram Panchayat level.
- Attend training on NF at KVKs.
- Form NF clusters by creating awareness, training and bringing in 6 more farmers to initiate NF packages of practices.
- Conduct outreach activities for the 6 more farmers with support from the Krishi Sakhis (CRP), FMT, Scientists (KVKs), ATMA officials etc.

7.4- Roles and Responsibilities of a BRC

- Preparation and sale of ready-to-use NF Bio-inputs to the farmers as per requirements of the local farmers, local land use patterns, soil

types, etc. And locally practiced cropping systems.

- Ensure availability of NF Bio-inputs at affordable price and quality.
- The BRC may also make insect traps, pheromone traps, sprayers, etc. Easily available for use in NF
- Share knowledge with farmers on NF pest and disease management practices through demonstration of preparation of various NF bio-inputs at NF clusters, etc.
- Share Knowledge with farmers on the usage of NF bio-inputs, details of their dosage, application, storage, etc.
- The BRC must support the Block Mission Implementation team, Krishi Sakhis / Community Resource Persons (CRPs) and Farmers in NMNF implementation activities, support Farmer Master Trainers (FMTs) & Scientists from KVKs in documenting location specific NF practices, etc.
- BRC must be encouraged to expand its scope to other services such as raising nurseries, rental services of farm equipment, processing and packaging facility of NF produce, etc.

8. Guidelines for Training Programmers

Training Component	Cost Breakup	Responsible Agency
Training For Farmer Master Trainers/Scientists	➤ Total 8 days long training (2 rounds of 4 days each) ➤ ₹2000/- per day per participant; all inclusive	TNAU
Training for Department officials	➤ 1 round of 3 days long training ➤ ₹2000/-per day per participant; all inclusive	TNAU
Training for Krishi Sakhis (Each Krishi Sakhi(CRP) shall undergo continuous rounds of rigorous hands-on training programs at NF model demonstration farms of FMT/ KVK)	➤ Each Krishi Sakhi (CRP) undergoes 2 training programmes of 5 days duration each (total 10 days duration) (one training at pre-kharif & one training at pre-rabi) ➤ @ ₹1200/- per participant per day, including resource fee of Master Trainer	ATMA
Training for Natural Farming Cluster Farmers	➤ 2 training programmes	ATMA

at linked KVK	(of 1 day duration) per farmer in batches of 50 farmers each ➤ 125/- per farmer per day	
Training for Natural Farming Cluster Farmers at Farmer Master Trainer's NF Demonstration Farm	➤ 2 programmes of 1 day duration per year, in batches of 50 farmers per cluster ➤ ₹20 per farmer per day	ATMA
Training for BRC Entrepreneurs	➤ Each BRC Entrepreneurs undergoes 2 training programmes of 3 days duration each (total 6 days duration) (one training at pre-kharif or pre-rabi & one training before the onset of next agricultural season) ➤ 2 rounds of 3-day duration@ ₹2000/-per head per day	NCONF

- The Responsible Agency should conduct the allocated Trainings under respective component.
- The Responsible Agency can withdraw the fund as advance. But the training must be conducted within 3-5 days after the withdrawal of funds

9. Guidelines to implement NMNF scheme components:

9.1 – Formation of Clusters

- Districts should identify Gram Panchayats (GP) in suitable Blocks for taking up NMNF. In each selected GP, cluster(s) of contiguous areas cumulative to 50 Ha and approximately 125 farmers will be developed as NF clusters based on their willingness to implement NF within the identified GP.
- Each farmer is encouraged to start in small landholding, and is eligible for support under NMNF to a maximum of one acre to enable learning.
- In case cumulative contiguous area of 50 Ha. could not be found in 1 GP, the cluster can be formed in adjoining GPs (not more than 2-3 GPs).
- Preference should be given to the areas under low fertilizer input sale/high fertilizer input sale/banks of rivers/Tribal areas

- The 125 willing farmers each should then create awareness and train 6 more farmers to initiate NF practices, expanding the outreach of NF to additional ~750 farmers per cluster
- Cluster Details along with Beneficiary details must be sent to Directorate of Agriculture, Chennai.

9.2– Engagement of Krishi Sakhis

- The Krishi Sakhis (CRP) should undergo on-field hands-on training by FMTs and Scientists/ Experts associated with KVK.
- A team of 2 Krishi Sakhis (CRP) should mobilize approximately 125 willing farmers and form a cluster (cumulative area of 50 Ha).
- The Krishi Sakhis (CRP) with support from Block level mission, ATMA and FMT etc. will organize meetings with members of SHGs, Anganwadi, Gram Sabha etc. orienting them about the benefits of NF, about the Mission and on preparation of bio-inputs like Jeevamrut, Beejamrut, etc.
- The Krishi Sakhis (CRPs) should mobilize and enroll the willing farmers to practice NF at the beginning of each crop season.
- With help of the FMT, the Krishi Sakhi (CRP) should orient the enrolled farmers on the NF practices that are to be followed during the season and ensure their implementation in the field.
- Rs.5,000/- per month will be given to Krishi Sakhis remuneration throughout the year [16 days(5 hours per day) per month @Rs.300/day (Rs.4,800/-) + 200 for TA].

9.3–Awareness Generation Programmes at Gram Panchayats (Rs.8,000/Cluster/Year)

- Awareness generation meetings in coordination with ATMA, SRLM, practicing NF farmers, KVKs etc. should be conducted.
- Engage local leaders, Natural Farming NGOs and other stakeholders to support and participate in the meetings.
- 4 Programmes should be conducted in one year. Rs.2,000/- (1 Resource person @ Rs.500/- all inclusive, Refreshments @ Rs.20/- for 50 participants = Rs.1000/, Miscellaneous (Pamphlets, banner, stationary etc.)@ Rs.500/-) will be allocated for conducting each awareness Programmes.

9.4–Output Based Incentive to trained farmers (Rs.4,000/acre/year)

- Rs. 4000/- per acre per year (maximum incentive for up to 1 acre per farmer) (Rs. 300 per month to practice NF, train more farmers, upkeep of livestock/ preparation of inputs/ purchase of NF inputs from BRC and Rs. 400 per year as one time support for procurement

of drums, etc.) should be released to the Aadhar authenticated bank accounts of Natural farming cluster Farmers

- The incentive must be DBT (Direct Benefit Transfer).

9.5 – NF Certification Charges (Rs.2,100/Ha)

Regional councils (RCs) should screen the progress of NF group activities through on-line mode and communicate the progress periodically. RCs shall screen the summary sheets submitted by the groups cropping season wise and communicate their decisions as per NF guidelines. RCs shall ensure at least one physical inspection to each group per year during cropping season to ensure compliance of NF standards. RCs shall endorse/ not endorse decisions of NF groups as per NF guidelines and issue certificates through on-line.

The Service charges of Regional Councils would be utilized for appointing Data Entry Operators and for other administrative expenses of the Regional council and Clusters at block level. This can be utilized for salary component of Data entry Operators, administrative expenses and other expenses.

The Tamil Nadu Organic Certification Department (TNOCD) under Department of seed certification and Organic Certification and Nel Jayaraman Foundation should act as RCs and furnish their duties.

The Performance of RCs should be reviewed by Department of Agriculture on monthly basis. The monthly report on physical and financial progress should be submitted to Director of Agriculture by TNOCD and Nel Jayaraman Foundation.

For Natural Farming Certification, an amount of ₹2,100 per hectare will be provided for certification and related expenses for Private Regional councils (RCs). For certification carried out through the Tamil Nadu Organic Certification Department (TNOCD), ₹500 per hectare will be provided to TNOCD towards certification and other expenses, and the remaining ₹1,600 per hectare will be provided to the Concerned Assistant Director of Agriculture/Horticulture for engaging Data Entry Operators and meeting other administrative expenses of the clusters through Joint Director of Agriculture/Joint Director of Horticulture/Deputy Director of Horticulture. The Data Entry Operators engaged should be utilized exclusively for farmer registration, endorsement, and certification-related activities in the PGS Portal under the Natural Farming Certification programme.

Appointment of Data Entry Operators (DEOs):

- DEOs may be preferably appointed through manpower agencies duly following the guidelines / rules.

Certification and Other expenses: (For the purpose of certificate issue) by TNOCD:

- The allocated fund may be utilized for providing Natural farming certificates effectively to Beneficiaries includes physical verification, certification endorsement and issuance of certificate.

9.6 – Orientation Programme for Farmers (Rs.1,200/Activity)

- Orientation programmes for farmers to express willingness to initiate Natural Farming and to practice Natural Farming practices.
- 2 Orientation programmes per year.
- Minimum of 25-30 participants should participate in One programme.
- This programme is for other than cluster farmers to create awareness on Natural Farming.
- Per activity cost = ₹1200/-
Travel Allowance to Block Level coordinator (ATMA) travel @ ₹200/-
Refreshments @ ₹20/- per participants (Rs.20X25=500/-)
Miscellaneous (Pamphlets, banner, stationary, etc.) @ ₹500/-

9.7 – Kit for enrolled farmers (Rs.200/Farmer)

- Study Materials/Farm Diaries / FAQ Booklet regarding Natural Farming should be printed in local Language (TAMIL) and should be given to NF Cluster Beneficiaries.
- For this activity Rs.200/Farmer is allocated (Farm diary @ Rs. 50/-, Study material @ Rs.100/-, FAQ booklet @ Rs.50/-).

9.8–Support for Mobile Devices for Krishi Sakhis (CRPs) (Rs.4,000/Device)

- Mobile Phones (Touch screens) should be purchased and given to Krishi Sakhis.
- One Mobile Phone/One Krishi Sakhi should be provided
- For this a fund of Rs.4,000/Mobile phone is allocated

9.9 – Support for Bio-input Resource Centres (BRCs)

- Financial assistance of Rs.1 lakh per BRC will be provided as support to set up BRC, in two tranches of Rs. 50,000 each.
- The indicative materials for which support can be provided are drums, small machines like grinders for cutting biomass, storage cans, racks, refrigerator, livestock urine collection infrastructure and storage, automated fermentation chambers, automated stirrers

/ timed aerators, higher capacity fermentation tanks with stands, large containers for storage and distribution etc. Other materials can be supported as per local requirements.

- The financial assistance under NMNF does not include sheds, renting of premises, or other such expenses; the BRC entrepreneur must arrange for these.

9.10- Convergence

- NMNF scheme may be converged with ATMA trainings and CR-IFS

9.11 – State Mission Management Unit Cost

- The Funds allocated under Mission management can be utilized for forming Natural Farming Cell, Appointment of 1 Technical Assistant at State Level for effective monitoring and contingencies.

10. General Instructions:

- A provision must be created in UATT and the cluster details, Beneficiary details must be uploaded in AGRISNET.
- The list of Beneficiaries, Farmer Master Trainers, Krishi Sakhis details should be sent to Directorate after the approval of District Level Monitoring Committee.

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