## No.F. 23(179)-Agri(FM)/2019-20/1463-1557 Government of Tripura Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfares

Dated, Agartala, the 30 / 03 / 2020

## MEMORANDUM

In partial suppression of the earlier Memo No.F. 2(38)-Agri (Estt)/2016-17/20387-21140, dated 27/03/2020 regarding closure of all VLW stores of the department for containment of the spread of the COVID – 19 Virus, the undersigned is directed to convey the decision of the Government vide U.O. No.1181/ ACS/Agri/Horti, dated 27/03/2020 for opening of all VLW stores and Private outlets for sale of different fertilizers, seeds and PPCs to the farmers. This has been specially considered looking at the need for application of different agricultural inputs in field for sustaining the production system in the ongoing Rabi & early Kharif season, in the State.

However, while arranging distribution and sale of all those agricultural items like fertilizers, seeds & PPCs from VLW stores and different Private outlets throughout the State, following sanitary measures are required to be followed by the concerned store Incharges and owner of the Private Outlets, as details below:

- 1. All the VLW stores and Private Outlets will remain open from 10.00 AM to 1.00 PM on all working days.
- 2. Necessary pass to be provided to the concerned government officials i.e. Store In-charge, weighman & Class – IV by the concerned SAs and to the operators of Private Outlets by the concerned Sub-Divisional Magistrates/ District Magistrates.

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- 3. For maintenance of social distancing at all the sale and distribution points, proper marking on the floor, at 1(one) meter distance, for standing on queue by the farmers to be made.
- 4. Also, necessary arrangement of hand sanitizer / soap and water may be kept for washing by the buyers. The respective DMs & SDMs may arrange supply of such sanitizing soaps etc. to all such points of sale.
- 5. All vehicle carrying fertilizers, seeds and PPCs within the district may also be allowed to ply upto their destination points and back, for regular maintenance of stock and supply to the farmers.
- Any black marketing and hoarding of fertilizers, seeds & PPCs if done by any one, appropriate action will be taken strictly as per rules.

This is for information and compliance, by all concerned.

30-03-2022

(**R.Debbarma**) Dy. Secretary to the Govt. of Tripura.

To:

- 1. The All District Magistrate & Collector, Govt. of Tripura
- 2. The All Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Govt. of Tripura
- 3. The All Dy. Director of Agriculture of the District
- 4. The All Dy. Director of Horticulture & Soil Conservation of the District.

5. The All Supdt. of Agriculture of Agri. Sub-Division.

6. The All Supdt. of Horticulture of Horti. Division.

Copy to :

- 1. The P.S. to the Hon'ble Minister, Agriculture, Tripura for kind appraisal of the Hon'ble Minister, Agriculture, Tripura.
- 2. The P.S. to the Chief Secretary, Tripura for kind appraisal of the Chief Secretary, Tripura.
- 3. The P.S. to the Addl. Chief Secretary, Agriculture, Tripura for kind appraisal of the Addl. Chief Secretary, Agriculture, Tripura.
- 4. The Director of Horticulture & Soil Conservation, Tripura.

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