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Benefits (Assistance for Installation of Sprinkler / Drip Micro Irrigation Systems)

- Subsidy of 90% of the total cost (or) ■ 25,000/■ per hectare whichever is less for Marginal Farmers, Small Farmers, Scheduled Caste/ Schedule Tribe and Women Farmers.
- Subsidy of 70% of the total cost (or) ■ 25,000/■ per hectare whichever is less for Big Farmers/ Institutions.
- *The beneficiaries so selected will be intimated individually if the farmer completes the work on their own fund, the subsidy amount will be released by an Electronic clearing system in the farmer's bank accounts.
- *If the farmer chooses manufacturers/ dealers, the subsidy amount will be released directly to the manufacturers/dealers' bank account after obtaining a satisfactory completion letter from the concerned farmer.

Eligibility (Assistance for Installation of Sprinkler / Drip Micro Irrigation Systems)

- The applicant should be a Marginal Farmer/ Small farmer/ Scheduled Caste Farmer/ Schedule Tribe Farmer/ Women Farmer/ Big Farmers/ Institutions. The farmers should own cultivable agricultural land in the Union Territory of Puducherry along with own/leased tubewell with adequate water and pumping system. The farmers who have already availed the maximum subsidy amount during the past 10 years for the sprinkler irrigation system and the past 8 years for the drip irrigation systems are not eligible. The farmers who have already installed micro irrigation system under this component and availed part of the maximum subsidy amount to install a micro
- irrigation system during the past 10 years / 8 years in the additional area will be considered and they will be paid the balance amount duly deducting the already noted assistance from the maximum subsidy amount. The land in which the installation of the micro irrigation system under this component, the period of 10 years for the sprinkler irrigation system and 8 years for the drip irrigation system will not be considered even if ownership has been changed. Farmers who have availed of sprinkler irrigation

systems earlier are also eligible for drip irrigation systems and vice versa, if the farmer opts to cultivate for intercrop for 3 years.

Application Process (Assistance for Installation of Sprinkler / Drip Micro Irrigation Systems)

- The advertisement inviting applications will be published in leading local Tamil Dailies in Puducherry and Karaikal regions and through All India Radio.
- Step 1: The interested applicant should visit (during office hours) the concerned office and request the hard copy of the prescribed format of the application form from the respective Uzhavar Udhaviyagams or from the concerned authority: Puducherry: Office of the Hydrogeologist-II, State Ground Water Unit & Soil Conservation, Thattanchavady, Puducherry-9.
- Karaikal: Office of the Additional Director of Agriculture, Karaikal.
- Step 2: In the application form, fill in all the mandatory fields, paste the passport-sized photograph (signed across, if required), and attach copies of all the mandatory documents (self-attest, if required).
- Step 3: Submit the duly filled and signed application form and the documents to the aforementioned authority.
- Step 4: On receipt of the application, necessary entries will be made in the application receipt register and a unique seniority number will be assigned to the applicant for identifying each applicant which shall be used for all further references and also as acknowledgement for the receipt of the application will be issued to the applicant.

Documents Required (Assistance for Installation of Sprinkler / Drip Micro Irrigation Systems)

- A Revenue Certificate in the prescribed format issued by an authority not below the rank of Deputy Tahsildar of the Revenue Department. Photocopy of the Field Measurement Book (FMB) sketch of the land consented for the installation of micro irrigation system
- electricity policy card of the tubewell used for irrigation
- First-page bearing name
- address and account number and last transaction page of Bank passbook. Farmers belonging to Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribes should enclose the Caste Certificate issued by an authority not below the rank of Deputy Tahsildar of the Revenue Department for claiming preference.