

One Time Assistance to Small and Marginal Farmers for Purchase of Small Farm Implements (OTA-SFI)

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Objectives (One Time Assistance to Small and Marginal Farmers for Purchase of Small Farm Implements (OTA-SFI))

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Important Features (One Time Assistance to Small and Marginal Farmers for Purchase of Small Farm Implements (OTA-SFI))

- Features: Financial support will be provided mostly for manually operated tools like sprayer, manually operated paddy thresher, cono weeder, weeder, drum seeder, solar light trap, chaff cutter, seed bin, seed tray, seeder etc.

Benefits (One Time Assistance to Small and Marginal Farmers for Purchase of Small Farm Implements (OTA-SFI))

- Pattern Of Assistance: Maximum ₹10,000/ or 50% of total indicative price of purchased manually operated machinery/implement whichever is lower. Available Equipment: A list of different manually operated machinery/implements is provided in Annexure
- III (Page No. 37). Available models of different farm machinery /implements as mentioned in Annexure
- III along with indicative price will be published in Matirkatha portal by the SPMT before starting of online application of the beneficiary .Combination of machinery/equipment from the list can be purchased within the subsidy limit. But, maximum two nos. implements of the same item may be chosen by the applicant. However, battery operated sprayers and PVC pipes for carrying water will also be eligible under this component. Note: No machine/equipment will be procured by the Government. The Government will only release subsidy as back ended subsidy against procurement by the beneficiaries as per their choice under FSSM with Bank Loan. The subsidy will be released through DBT mode to the beneficiaries for OTA
- SFI. The subsidy will only be applicable for purchase of farm machinery/equipment from the approved Farm machinery Manufacturers and Dealers as enlisted in the Departmental portal. A beneficiary or his/her spouse will not be eligible to apply afresh before completion of 4(four) years from release of the last subsidy for any type of machinery under OTA
- SFI from the State under this Guidelines.

Eligibility (One Time Assistance to Small and Marginal Farmers for Purchase of Small Farm Implements (OTA-SFI))

- Individual farmers registered under Krishak Bandhu (New) Scheme.
- Or, Groups like SKUS/PACS/FPO/FPC/FIG/SHG duly graded /LAMPS etc approved/recognized by any Govt Institution/Departments.

- The age of the beneficiary should be minimum 18 years at the time of application.
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Application Process (One Time Assistance to Small and Marginal Farmers for Purchase of Small Farm Implements (OTA-SFI))

- Registration Process: Step 01: Visit the official FMS portal and click on “New Registration”.
- Step 02: Fill in all the mandatory details in “Applicant Registration” form.
- Step 03: Verify all the details and click on “Sign Up”.
- Application Process: Step 01: Visit the official FMS portal and click on “Log in”.
- Step 02: Enter Voter Card no, Password and select Season then click on “Log In”.
- Step 03: Fill in all the mandatory details in the application form.
- Step 04: After successful submission of online application, hard copies of print out of the application with acknowledgement receipt, recent passport size photograph and other prescribed documents (self-attest, if required) will have to be submitted to the office of the Assistant Director of Agriculture of the concerned Block within the stipulated period.
- Step 05: The applicant will get one time edit option in the specified field after submission of application through online mode but before submission of hard copy to the office of the Assistant Director of Agriculture of the concerned Block.
- No edit option will be allowed once hard copy is submitted.
- Step 06: The serial number generated in the online application to be referred in all cases.
- ■ Helpline Desk: 8336957298 (10.00 am to 6.00 pm) ■ Note: Online application of beneficiary farmers/entrepreneurs will have to be done in Matirkatha/ FMS portal after due advertisement in leading dailies, Departmental website.
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Documents Required (One Time Assistance to Small and Marginal Farmers for Purchase of Small Farm Implements (OTA-SFI))

- Identity proof (EPIC/Voter ID card)
- Aadhar of Applicant & Spouse for individual application
- Bank Account details (Active)
- Active mobile no
- Land Particulars
- Krishak Bandhu ID No (Visit here to Check your Krishak Bandhu ID)
- Name of machinery/equipment/ implement
- Name of manufacturer etc. to be selected from the Departmental Portal. ■

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