

**LIST OF BENEFITS BEING EXTENDED TO THE FARMERS THROUGH VARIOUS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES: -**

**Sector: Agriculture**

❖ Name of the Programme / Scheme	<b>Integrated Programme for Seed Promotion and Certification</b>
❖ Duration of the programme / scheme	one year
❖ Objective of the programme	The objective of the scheme is to increase the Seed Replacement Rate of Paddy from the current 54% to 66, to attain the targeted levels of Seed Replacement Rate of 10% in respect of groundnut and 15% in respect of pulses, to introduce Seed Certification in Vegetable Crops in a minimum of 5 hec. to ensure the availability of the varieties developed in the private sector to seed growers.
❖ Eligibility of Beneficiary	Seed Grower
❖ Pre-requisites for the benefit	Ownership of land raising Seed Farm
❖ Procedure to avail the benefits of the programme	Enroll for registration of Seed Farm with Seed Certification Agency and contact Seed Farm
❖ Criteria for deciding eligibility	Ownership / tenant of land knowledge in raising Seed Farm
❖ Detail of the benefit given in the programme (also mention the amount of subsidy or other help given)	a) Rs. 5/- kg for paddy certified seed b) Rs. 8/-kg for paddy foundation seed c) Rs. 6/-kg for pulses and groundnut certified seeds. d) Rs. 8/-kg for pulses and groundnut foundation seeds.
❖ Procedure for the distribution of the subsidy	Based on the seed testing report the subsidy will be distributed.
❖ Where to apply or whom to contact in the office for applying	Pondicherry: Addl. Director of Agriculture (T&V), Thattanchavady Karaikal: Addl. Director of Agriculture, Karaikal
❖ Application Fee (where applicable)	Registration Fee Rs.25 /- season per crop.
❖ Other Fees (where applicable)	Nil
❖ Application format (where applicable. If the application is made on plain paper please mention it along with what the applicant should mention in the application)	Seed Farm application available with Pondicherry Seed Certification Agency.
❖ List of attachments (certificates /	The Farmers identification card issued by the

documents)	Agriculture Department with land particulars for the proof of farmers.
❖ Format of Attachment	Nil
❖ Where to contact in case of process related complaints	Pondicherry - Addl. Director of Agriculture (T&V), Thattanchavady Karaikal - Addl. Director of Agriculture, Karaikal