

PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

Sub: Formation of Agriculture Price Commission

- Read: 1. Budget Speech of Hon'ble Chief Minister of Karnataka dated 12-07-2013 .
2. Directorate of Agriculture Single file No:ಉಕ್ಕನಿ//ಕೃನಿ/ಕೃಬೆಆ/2013-14,
ದಿನಾಂಕ: 02/07/2014

Preamble:

Hon'ble Chief Minister of Karnataka in the budget speech para 50 has proposed as read at (1) above dated 12-07-2013 stating that "Farmers are always facing problems due to indeterminate prices for their produce. Most of the times they do not even get, the costs incurred. Hence to fix suitable prices "Agriculture Price Commission" will be constituted. This commission will consist of farmers, Agriculture experts and Agro-economist. Government will fix suitable prices based on the scientifically worked in to recommendations of the Commission"

Commissioner for Agriculture in the file read at (2) above has furnished the proposal for approval of formation of Agriculture Price Commission.

In this background, a special workshop was organized under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Agriculture Minister inviting the scientists from State Agricultural Universities, agriculture marketing experts, agriculture economists, progressive farmers, APMC chairmen and senior officers of the Government. In this workshop plan of action of previous commission (2001-2007), Terms and References of the Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices of the Central Government, present status of agriculture market and other related subjects were discussed. Further a special meeting was also convened under the chairmanship of the Hon'ble Chief Minister for discussions about the subject. The proposal was placed before the Cabinet for approval. The Cabinet Sub Committee was formed on 16-11-2013 to examine and recommend for formation of Agriculture Price Commission.

Accordingly the Hon'ble Minister for Law, Justice and human rights Parliamentary affairs and legislation, Animal Husbandry who is the Chairman of the Cabinet Sub Committee convened two meetings. In final meeting held on 07/01/2014 after detailed discussion, it recommended the following:-

VISION OF AGRICULTURE PRICE COMMISSION:

The vision of price commission is to ensure maximum share of consumer price achieve sustainable Agriculture Development in the field of Agriculture of the State provide remunerative price of farm produce and to provide suitable marketing system etc.

MISSION:

To provide remunerative price for the farm produce, improving the basic facilities for market, stabilization of market through price and non price mechanism: critical marketing interventions during the period of glut, marketing reforms and collective bargaining for getting profitable price for the farmers. To enhance collective bargaining power of farmers and reach all the sections of farming community through effective accomplishment of market reforms, crop insurance, E-trading.

Terms of Reference, Duties and Structure is as appended in annexure 1,2 & 3.

Government order No.AGD/61/AMS/2013, Bangalore

Dt: 31-01-2014

Considering all the points of the above proposal, Agriculture price commission is constituted with chairman and 5 members as per the Terms of references, Duties, Structure as appended in annexure 1,2 & 3.

By order and in the name of
Governor of Karnataka


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