## F.No.11022/02/2020-PMI-II (pt.) Government of India Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers (Department of Fertilizers)

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi Dated: 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2021

## **OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

Subject: Discontinuation of scheme and payment of Market Development Assistance (MDA) of Rs. 1500/- M.T. for sale of City Compost under the Policy on promotion of City Compost beyond 30th September 2021 -regarding.

Attention is invited to Department of Fertilizers, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers O.M. No. 11026/14/2015- M & E dated 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2016 wherein the approval of the Government for providing Market Development Assistance (MDA) of Rs. 1500/- per MT for scaling up production and consumption of City Compost was conveyed. Subsequently, guidelines/procedures for grant of Market Development Assistance (MDA) of Rs. 1500/- per MT for scaling up production and consumption of City Compost were issued from time to time vide O.M. No. 11026/14/2015 –M & E dated 03/06/2016, O.M. No. 11026/44/2016- M & E dated 28/09/2016, O.M. No. 11026/14/2015- M & E dated 09/01/2017 and O.M. No. 11026/10/2017- M & E dated 07/09/2017.

- 2. The Expenditure Finance Committee (EFC) chaired by Finance Secretary & Secretary (Expenditure) in its meeting held on 02.08.2021 reviewed continuation of ongoing scheme of 'Policy on Promotion of City Compost' during 2021-22 to 2025-26 and observed that promotion of city compost is very small. There are already component for organic manure/compost etc. under larger schemes of other Ministries viz. Department of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare (DA & FW), Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare & Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs (MoHUA) and it is the policy of the Government to rationalise the number of schemes and avoid duplication. The Expenditure Finance Committee (EFC) recommended that as there are similar schemes in other Departments with larger budget and better field presence, promotion of city compost scheme should be discontinued by September, 2021.
- 3. In view of the above, it is conveyed that the Policy on Promotion of City Compost Scheme will be discontinued with effect from 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021. Hence, the Market Development Assistance (MDA) of Rs. 1500/- M.T. on the sale of city compost under the policy on promotion of city compost is permitted upto 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 subject to the conditions laid down in the existing policy. No bills for

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payment of Market Development Assistance (MDA) of Rs. 1500/- M.T. on the sale of city compost beyond 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 will be considered/entertained. However, only residual payment for bills on the sale of city compost upto 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 will be processed in line with existing policy on promotion of city compost.

4. This issues with the approval of Hon'ble Minister of Chemicals & Fertilizers.

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To

- i. All Secretaries of the Central Ministries/Departments
- ii. CEO, NITI Aayog.
- iii. All Chief Secretaries of the State governments
- iv. Director General, Bureau of Indian Standard, Manak Bhawan, ITO, New Delhi
- v. Director General, Fertilizer Association of India, 10-Shaheed Jit Singh Marg, New Delhi 110067
- vi. President, Waste Management Association, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Gopal Das Bhawan, 28, Barakhamba Road, New Delhi
- vii. All fertilizer Companies/ CMDs/MDs Compost Marketing Companies/ MDs compost manufacturers
- viii. All Officers/Sections in the Department of Fertilizers and Office of FICC, RK Puram, New Delhi.
- ix. Director (NIC)

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