

Guidelines for providing assistance for the installation of Anti-hail Nets as per Budget Assurance 2018-19

Hailstorms in Himachal Pradesh are one of the major natural calamities resulting in substantial economic loss to the farmers by damaging the horticultural crops, particularly apple and vegetable crops, both qualitatively and quantitatively.

The scheme will primarily benefit small & marginal and women farmers of the state, helping them to substantially reduce qualitative and quantitative losses to their horticulture produce. The monetary gains are expected to be approximately Rs. 200 crore with significant contribution to the state GDP.

In order to mitigate the losses caused by hail storms & to meet out the demand from farmers of the State, the Honorable Chief Minister Himachal Pradesh has announced Rs. 10 crore for providing 80% subsidy to the farmers for the purchase of anti-hail nets with the target to bring about 30 lakh square meter under protection of anti hail nets in the state during the year 2018-19.

Modalities for implementation of the scheme

1. Under this scheme, assistance will be provided to all categories of farmers of the State.
2. Only bonafide farmers of Himachal Pradesh shall be eligible for availing assistance under the scheme.
3. The maximum limit for availing assistance under this scheme will be restricted to 5000 sqr. mtr. area per beneficiary/family.
4. Any kind of practice which may lead to mis-utilization of the subsidy/government funds shall not be allowed. The beneficiary is also required to give an affidavit in this regard. If found so at any stage, beneficiary will be liable to face suitable legal action besides refund of the

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whole subsidy amount with prevailing rate of interest. The amount disbursed to such beneficiary will be liable to be recovered as arrear of land revenue.

5. The interested farmer will have to apply on the format prescribed under the scheme alongwith requisite estimates and latest revenue records. The complete application will be submitted to the concerned Horticulture Extension Officer for further advise and necessary action.
6. The execution of any activity/component under this scheme shall be done by the beneficiary at his own level after getting due sanction/work order from the concerned DDH/SMS.
7. The subsidy claim should invariably comprise of the detailed inspection report of the concerned field officers of the Horticulture Department duly supported by the activity photographs. The concerned Subject Matter Specialist (Hort) will physically verify 100% of cases before submitting the cases to the DDH. The concerned DDH will physically inspect at least 25 % of the cases prior to the release of the subsidy.
8. The Department reserves the right to accept or reject the project proposals or restrict the approval of the project proposal subject to the availability of funds with the department. The decision of Director of Horticulture, H.P. shall be final in this regard.
9. The guidelines and cost norms which are already being followed under the Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) will only be adhered to so as to maintain uniformity in the implementation of the scheme. The assistance will be provided to the farmers at par with the norms and guidelines of the MIDH detail of which are as follows:

Sr. No.	Component	Cost Norms (as per MIDH)	Rate of assistance	Maximum Amount	Remarks
1.	Anti-hail net	Rs. 35/- per square meter	80%	Rs. 28/- per square meter	Maximum area upto 5000 sq mtr per beneficiary.

No. 5-8/2022-23(Anti hail nets)-Udyan-IV-
Directorate of Horticulture
Himachal Pradesh

From

Director of Horticulture
Himachal Pradesh

To

1. Sudip Silk Mills, Gali Kullu Mill Wali, Tirath Nagar, Batala Road, Amritsar, Punjab
2. M/s RAD Global Private Limited, Plot No. F-2240, Ramchandrapura, Industrial Area, Sitapura Extn., Jaipur-303905, Rajasthan
3. M/s Rishi FIBC Solutions Pvt. Ltd. Nanjangud, Distt. Mysore-571301, Karnatka
4. M/s NTC Tiles LLP Plot No 36, Industrial Area, Phase 1, Panchkula, Haryana
5. Sravya Textiles Private Limited, 2nd Floor, IDEAL Towers, Opp. BHEL Enclave, Akbar Road, Tadbund, Secundrabad-500 009, Telangana, INDIA
6. Agriplast Tech India Pvt Ltd. Hosur 635103, Tamil Nadu
7. Vrunda Vitthal Polynet Ltd. Plot No. 142, Phase 2, GIDC, Vapi - 396195, Gujarat
8. Plast Textil S.L., C/o Earth Agro Structures Pvt. Ltd.
9. B & V Agro Irrigation Co. A-508, Mahape MIDC, TTC Ind. Area, Navi Mumbai - 400710, MH
10. Vikrant Extrusions, 401, Trade World, B-Wing, Kamla Mills Compound, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel, Mumbai - 400013
11. Fortune Agro Net, Damanganga, Industrial Park - II, Plot No 205,206 & 207, Village Karvad, TA Vapi, Distt Valsad, Gujarat
12. Sona Agrotex Pvt. Ltd. Plot No 419/420, GIDC Estate, Manjusar, Tal. Sauli Vadodara, Gujarat
13. Garware Technical Fibres Ltd, Pune
14. Safeflex International Ltd, 808G-808H, Industrial Area, Sector -3, Pithampur - 454775, Distt. Dhar (MP)
15. Parry Enterprises India Ltd 702/704, GIDC, Palej - 392220 Distt Bharuch, Gujarat
16. Ginegar Plastic Products Ltd, Kibbutz, Israel 365800
17. Shri Ambica Polymer Pvt Ltd, A/3, 1st Floor, Sofol Profitaire, Nr. Auda Garden, Prahlad Nagar, Ahmedabad, Gujarat
18. Shiv Enterprises, Plot No. 913, GIDC Sarigram, Bypass Road Near Vapi GIDC Sarigram-396155 Gujarat, India

Dated: Shimla-2, the....

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Subject:

Regarding empanelment of service provider to supply anti hail nets in Himachal Pradesh during the year 2023-24 & 2024-25.

Sir,

Your attention is invited towards letter of even no. dated 18.04.2023 vide which the tender notice was published for empanelment of service providers for the supply of Anti hail nets in Himachal Pradesh.

Keeping in view your acceptance of the finalized rates i.e Rs 31.50 per sqm for Woven/Leno & Rs. 23.00 per sqm for Knitted/Raschel, your firm is hereby empaneled as a service provider for the supply of anti-hail nets i.e. Woven/leno and Knitted/Raschel to the farmers across all districts of Himachal Pradesh during the year 2023-24 as per terms and conditions of empanelment. The terms & conditions as applicable are enclosed at **Annexure-A**.

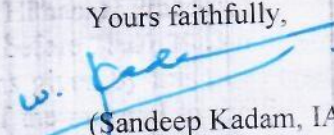
In addition to these terms & conditions, your firm has to deliver to the Director of Horticulture, the performance security valid upto 5 years (either a bank guarantee

or a FDR pledged in favour of the Director of Horticulture, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2) for an amount of **Rs 10.00 lakh** (Rupees ten lakh) only on or before **08.08.2023** along with an undertaking on stamp paper to abide by all the instructions given by this directorate from time to time. You should ensure to make timely supply of the material to the farmers and submit your updated dealers list to the Directorate within 7 days so that the same could be uploaded on e-Udyan portal. The above empanelment is subject to condition that any distributor of the firm shall be appointed with the prior approval of the department. Any violations of the terms & conditions are subject to penalties which could be the forfeiture of the Bank Guarantee partially or fully, depending upon the fault.

The empanelment is also subject to the inspection of the manufacturing units/other in house facilities of the manufacturers by a team of officers. If the manufacturing unit/ other in house facilities of any firm is not found to be satisfactory, the empanelment of such firm is liable to be cancelled.

Encls. As Above

Yours faithfully,


(Sandeep Kadam, IAS)
Director of Horticulture
Himachal Pradesh
Ph. No. 0177-2842390
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Endst. No. As Above

Dated:

Copy of the above is forwarded to:

1. The Secretary (Hort.) to the GoHP for favour of kind information, please.
2. Nodal Officer, IT Cell, Directorate of Horticulture HP for information and with the request to upload the same on eUdyan portal, please.
3. All Deputy Directors of Horticulture, HP for information and necessary action, please.


Director of Horticulture
Himachal Pradesh

Terms and conditions to be followed/observed by the firms for empanelment who have consented as Service providers for the supply of Anti hail nets in Himachal Pradesh for the year 2023-24.

1. The firms are required to supply the anti-hail nets i.e. Woven/Leno & knitted/Raschel to the farmers as per the recommended specification(s) as given below :

S. No.	Specifications	Woven/Leno	Knitted/Raschel
1	Type of thread	HDPE	HDPE
2	Yarn thickness	0.25-0.28 mm	0.18-0.22 mm
3	Weight	70 GSM	70 GSM
4	Bursting pressure	8-10 Kg/Sqm	8-10 Kg/Sqm
5	Shade factor (max. permissible)	Up to 17%	Up to 17%
6	Colour	Transparent	Transparent
7	Service Life	Min. 5 years	Min. 5 years
8	Material used	100% virgin	100% virgin
9	UV Stabilization	Required	Required
10	Selvedge	2"	2"

2. The beneficiary farmer is at liberty to choose empanelled firm of his choice for purchasing the anti-hail nets therefore work to be done by a particular firm shall depend upon their efficiency and credibility.
3. The assistance is available to the farmers @ 80% for small & marginal farmers and 50% for big farmers, for a maximum area of 5000 sqm. per beneficiary. The Departmental officers of the respective areas will physically inspect the material before the release of subsidy
4. The approved rates (with GST) shall be applicable up to 31.03.2024 (i.e. 2023-24) which may further be extended on mutual consent.
5. The performance of the firm shall be evaluated on the basis of achievements made during the year; if performance of the firm is not found satisfactory the same shall be liable for de-empanelment or shall be blacklisted.
6. The unit cost as approved by the committee shall be maximum unit cost for allowing assistance to an individual farmer as per the norms of the scheme, on the purchase of Woven/Leno & knitted/Raschel anti hail nets, as per farmer's requirement.
7. The firms who are importing anti hail nets shall have to submit the copies of import/export codes, bill of entry/ landing and payment transfer documents.
8. The Bill of Quantity (BOQ) of Woven/Leno & knitted/Raschel anti hail nets will be uniform throughout the State. In all the cases, the per unit cost would remain the same as given below.

S.No.	Description of Item	Rate without tax (Rs. per sq.mtrs)	Rate with Tax (Rs. per sq.mtrs)
1.	Woven/Leno Anti Hail net	30.00	31.50
2.	Knitted/Raschel Anti Hail net	21.90	23.00

9. The firms should have own in-house testing facilities and yarn making facilities and will only use the fabric of certified food grade with baking certificates from the raw material suppliers. The material used in manufacturing of the Anti-hail nets should be UV stabilized, HDPE, Virgin food gradable material. The fabric should last for at least 5 years of outdoor exposure. The weight of Anti hail net as specified should be consistent and uniform for the whole lot.

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10. The supplier will be responsible for defective supply during transit/use and if any material is found broken/cracked, misshapen/defective, the same will have to be replaced within a period of 15 days at the manufacturers cost.
11. The manufacturer shall have to provide the list of authorised dealers/supplier within 7 days after empanelment.
12. The manufacturer shall have to provide warranty/ guarantee of Five Years on their product. If any wear and tear occurs during the warranty period otherwise than miss handling by the farmer, the firm shall have to replace it without any charges.
13. The firms shall provide user manual in Hindi or English to the farmers free of cost. The manual should contain all the details regarding after sales service centres and contact person with telephone number and details with regard to use and maintenance of anti-hail nets.
14. The empanelled firm shall provide prompt after sales service free of cost to the farmers for resolving the complaints, if any. The firm shall replace the material free of cost within warranty period, if they are found to have manufacturing/ quality related defects.
15. The empaneled firms shall deliver to the Director of Horticulture the performance security (either a bank guarantee or a FDR pledged in favour of the Director of Horticulture, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2) for an amount of Rs.10.00 lakh (Rupees ten lakhs) only valid upto next 5 years i.e. 2027-28. The performance security shall be valid up to warranty and guaranty period to the best of satisfaction of the department and failure of the firm to furnish performance security shall constitute sufficient grounds for annulment of empanelment.
16. The manufacturer shall be responsible for any dispute arising from the supply of their product directly or through their authorised distributors/dealers. In cases where product quality related complains are received from the farmers, due sampling process shall be followed.
17. The implementing agency shall form State /District level teams for field inspection and frequent surveillance of the farmer's fields and will draw random samples periodically from the field, within a period of five years from the date of installation of anti hail nets. The report should be submitted to the Director of Horticulture, Himachal Pradesh, for further action.
18. The samples for testing should be collected jointly by the State /District level teams and the company representatives in triplicate and properly labelled, sealed and signed by all. One set of samples should be sent to CIPET/BIS or any other approved product testing laboratory for testing, as the implementing agency may deem fit and one set each to be kept in custody of nodal officer and the manufacturer. After collection of random samples, they should be coded as per BIS guidelines for the purpose of security and further references.
19. For any additional inclusion/change of a distributor/dealer the permission of the Department is mandatory. The distributor/dealer must have TIN/CST number.
20. Any departure from the agreed terms & conditions enlisted above from Sr. No. 1 to 19 shall tantamount to recovery of the amount equal to default with interest and same can be charged from the bank guarantee of Rs. 10.00 lakh (Rupees ten lakh) only. For repeated violation of agreed terms & conditions as per need, the firm would be liable for de-empanelment or blacklisted as case may be.
21. The department may impose any other condition as per need and circumstances, in consultation with the firms.
22. In case of any dispute, the decision of Secretary, Horticulture to the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh shall be final and binding upon the firm(s).

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