Terms & Conditions for engagement of 'District Resource Persons (DRPs)' under PMFME Scheme

Background

Punjab Agro Industries Corporation is the designated 'State Nodal Agency' for implementation of a new Centrally Sponsored 'PM Formalization of Micro Food Processing Enterprises Scheme (PM FME)'. The Scheme was launched in June, 2020. The total outlay for Punjab is Rs. 306 Cr. over a period of five years from 2020-21 to 2024-25. The aim and objective of the Scheme is to enhance the competitiveness of existing/new individual micro enterprises in the unorganized segment of food processing industry and promote formalization of the sector. Credit Linked Capital Subsidy @ 35%, max. Rs. 10 lakh to individuals and Rs. 3 Cr. to Groups (Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs), Self Help Groups (SHGs), Producers Cooperatives and Govt. Agencies) is provided for up-gradation of existing unit or setting up of new food processing unit/infrastructure. The target in terms of individual enterprises is 7,373 by 31.03.2025. However, the cumulative target for 2022-23 is 2,396 enterprises, of which about 600 enterprises have already been sanctioned the subsidy. It is estimated that there are over 66,000 micro enterprises in food processing sector in Punjab. The information about the Scheme can be seen from the portal of Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Govt. of India www.pmfme.mofpi.gov.in.

District Resource Persons (DRPs)

Roles and Responsibilities

- 1) Identification and facilitation of applications for availing credit linked subsidy.
- 2) Handholding micro enterprises in preparation of Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) and getting bank loan sanctioned.
- 3) Facilitating upgradation and formalization of the unit by getting necessary regulatory approvals & certifications etc. like FSSAI, Udhyam, GST, as applicable.
- 4) Facilitating training of the beneficiaries or mobilizing the beneficiaries (trainees) for training in coordination with SNA/ SLTI or Designated Training Agency.
- 5) Assessment of beneficiaries (trainees) at the time of Training of Beneficiaries- DRPs shall visit the training programme and certify the attendance of the trainees.

Qualification in order of preference

- 1) Degree/Diploma in Food Technology with experience or without experience.
- 2) Degree in Agriculture with experience in food technology & preparation of DPR.
- 3) Bachelor's equivalent degree in any field with relevant knowledge/experience in DPR preparation.
- 4) Any suitable person(s) like retired Govt./Bank Officials, Insurance agents, Bank Mitras, individual professionals etc. facilitating / handholding the individual micro food processing enterprises/applicants.

Payment

Payment of Rs. 20,000/- to the DRPs would be in 2 installments i.e. 50% of the payment would be made after sanction of bank loan and remaining 50% after the completion of the Unit and also obtaining FSSAI, GST & Udyog Aadhar registration.

There is no fixed monthly remuneration or TA/DA except the above payment. In no case, you will be treated as an employee of PAIC.

Language

RP should be familiar with the local language (Punjabi).