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**GUIDELINES FOR FAMILY ORIENTED INCOME GENERATING SCHEME
(FOIGS) FOR ST PEOPLE TO BE IMPLEMENTED BY THE DIRECTORATE OF
WPT & BC**

A. OBJECTIVE

The objective of the scheme is to scale up the economic standards of the ST farmers/ unemployed ST youths by providing them individual machineries / vehicles etc as sustenance to raise livelihood standard. The people belonging to ST (P) communities of Assam are mostly engaged in agriculture activities for their livelihood using traditional methods which provides low yield and reflects in the economic disparity seen among the ST people of Assam. Providing modern agriculture equipments and other machineries will augment the production and productivity of the crops and in turn ameliorate their economic condition.

B. PROCEDURE FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SCHEME

The schemes will be implemented as follows:

- 1) 80% of the total beneficiaries will be allocated uniformly to the P.D., ITDPs and SDWOs and 20% will be allocated at the Directorate level. 20% of the total beneficiaries will be approved by the Honble Minister's discretionary powers and the allocations will be communicated to the PD, ITDP/SDWOs.
- 2) The beneficiaries for 20% allocation at the Directorate level will be recommended by the Hon'ble Minister at the discretion of the Hon'ble Minister and will not require the approval/recommendation of the DLSC.
- 3) Against the allocation of the P.D., ITDPs/SDWOs, the PD, ITDPs/SDWOs will submit the list containing names of beneficiaries marginally higher (i.e 25 %) the number of beneficiaries allocated along with all relevant documents and with due approval of the respective District Level Selection Committee (DLSC).
- 4) On receipt of proposals from the PD, ITDPs/SDWOs, the same will be placed before the State Level Selection Committee (SLSC) for selection/approval of the beneficiaries for FOIGS.
- 5) The approved list will be communicated to the PD, ITDPs/SDWOs and distribution of the FOIGS will be done directly to the beneficiaries by the Directorate.

C. PROCEDURE FOR SELECTION OF BENEFICIARIES

The selection procedure will be as follows:

- 1) 2(Two) committees, viz. the District Level Selection Committee (DLSC) and State Level Selection Committee (SLSC) will be constituted for selection and approval of beneficiaries respectively. The DLSC will be the authority for selection of beneficiaries at the District level and the SLSC will be the final authority for approval of beneficiaries for distribution of FOIGS.
- 2) The DLSC will invite applications from intending applicants in a prescribed format along with all relevant documents through wide publicity.
- 3) The received applications will be scrutinized by the DLSC and selection of eligible beneficiaries will be done twice the nos. of allocated FOIGS which will be communicated to the Director, WPT & BC along with all relevant documents through the PD, ITDPs/SDWOs.
- 4) The Director, WPT & BC on receipt of approved list of beneficiaries from DLSC will place the same for selection/approval of the SLSC.

5) The beneficiaries approved by the DLSC do not indicate the actual list of beneficiaries and the finalization lies solely with the apex body viz. the SLSC.

D. SELECTION COMMITTEES

Two committees viz. the District Level Selection Committee (DLSC) and State Level Selection Committee (SLSC) will be constituted for selection/approval of beneficiaries with the following members:

1) State Level Selection Committee

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| 1) Hon'ble Minister, WPT & BC | Chairman |
| 2) Commissioner & Secretary, WPT & BC | Vice-Chairman |
| 3) Director, WPT & BC/MD | Member Secretary |

2) District Level Selection Committee

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| 1) Chairman of PIC/ ST Dev. Board if present
Or else Local ST MLA | Chairman |
| 2) Project Director, ITDP | Member Secretary |
| 3) Sub-Divisional Welfare Officer | Member |

E. SELECTION CRITERIA OF BENEFICIARIES

- 1) Individual beneficiary should belong to ST community of the plains districts of Assam (outside BTC area).
- 2) The individual beneficiary must not have availed any FOIGS in the last 5(Five) years against any Govt. scheme.
- 3) The upper income limit for the individual member is fixed at Rs. 2.50 lakhs per annum.
- 4) The applicant should not be a Govt.servant (In permanent employment)

F. DOCUMENTS TO BE COLLECTED FROM BENEFICIARIES

- 1) Applications in prescribed format (Annexure-A).
- 2) Passport Photo of the individual beneficiary.
- 3) Copy of ST Certificate.
- 4) Income certificate.

G. TERMS & CONDITIONS

- 1) The FOIGS item will be used by the approved individual beneficiary only.
- 2) The individual beneficiary will be responsible for any damage, loss, theft, etc. of the implements provided by Govt. Deptt.
- 3) The approved individual beneficiary will submit the beneficiary share (if applicable) at the rate of 90:10 ascertained by the Govt. for availing the FOIGS.
- 4) On non-receipt of proposals from PD, ITDP/SDWO on time, the allocation will be scrapped and reallocated to other deserving PD, ITDP/SDWO without prior notice.

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Annexure-A

APPLICATION FORM

To,

1) Project Director, ITDP /Sub-Divisional Officer,

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Name of the scheme:

Name of Machinery/input, etc. applied for:

Name of applicant:

Address:

.....Phone (M):

Sex: Male/Female Voter's ID No.:

- Enclosed:
- 1) Xerox copy of voter ID cards.
 - 2) Xerox copy of caste certificates.
 - 3) Photo of individual beneficiary.
 - 4) Income certificate below Rs. 2.50 lakhs

I certify that all the information in the application and documents enclosed are genuine.

(Signature of applicant)

1) The application and enclosed documents are scrutinized properly and recommended for allotment of underscheme and forwarded to Director, WPT & BC, Assam for approval of the State Level Selection Committee (SLSC).

2) The applicant has not received any such grant from the Govt. in the last 5(Five) years.

Seal & Signature of Chairman, DLSC

Seal & Signature of Vice Chairman, DLSC