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Government of India  
Ministry of Agriculture  
Department of Agriculture & Cooperation  
(RFS Division)

Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi  
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To  
The Director(s) Agriculture,  
(All Implementing States of RAD)

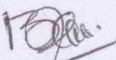
Subject: Payment of TA/DA to the Advisors / Consultants under National Mission  
for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA) employed on contractual basis.

Sir,

This is regarding payment of Travelling Allowance & Dearness Allowance to the Advisors / Consultants under the National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA) employed on contractual basis. The payment of travelling allowances and dearness allowances for actual travel & field visit to the consultants employed on contractual basis by the State Governments under NMSA Scheme are allowed as per the following provisions:

- i) In respect of officials appointed as Consultants / Advisors after retirement from State Government Service, they may be paid TA/DA as per their entitlement under State Government rules at the time of their retirement. If the official appointed is not a retired person, he may be allowed TA/DA at the rate applicable to the State Government employee drawing salary (Basic + DA) equivalent to the Honorarium being paid to the Consultant / Advisor.
- ii) In respect of other category of Staff, they may be allowed TA/DA at the rate applicable to the State Government employee drawing salary (Basic + DA) equivalent to the Honorarium being paid to the other category of staff.
- iii) The expenditure on TA/DA shall be met from Administrative and other contingent expenses admissible under NMSA.

Yours faithfully,

  
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