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Government of India  
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare  
Department of Agriculture Cooperation & Farmers Welfare  
(Horticulture Division)  

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Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi  
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To  

1. Principal Secretary/Secretary in Charge (Horticulture)  
2. All Mission Directors (NHM)/(HMNEH) States/UTs  
3. All National Level Agencies  

Subject: Reduction in percentage of subsidy at state level available under the MIDH Guidelines in order to cover larger number of beneficiaries - reg.  

Sir/Madam,  

I am directed to refer to the issue raised by few states to consider reduction in percentage of subsidy at state level available under the MIDH Guidelines in order to cover larger number of beneficiaries and discussion held in this regard during the review meetings held in New Delhi under the Chairmanship of JS (MIDH).  

2. Cost norms and pattern of assistance under MIDH for NHM & HMNEH sub-schemes as laid down in Annexure-V of the MIDH Operational Guidelines under many components provide "maximum ceiling of assistance as percentage of cost". Few states have given suggestions that they may be allowed to reduce the percentage of assistance of subsidy in order to cover more number of beneficiaries.  

3. This issue was raised by JS (MIDH) with State Mission Directors during Mid-term review meetings held between 9th & 24th October, 2017 at New Delhi and few of the SHM representatives expressed the opinion that it would create operational hindrances due to frequent change in percentage at finance/department level in the state and also would make scheme less attractive for TSP/SCP component for which targets are already non-achievable.  

4. It has therefore been decided with the competent approval to seek views/inputs of all NHM/HMNEH States in writing to the proposed changes in the reduction of percentage of subsidy at state level.  

5. It is requested that your views/comments on proposed subsidy reduction may kindly be furnished at an early date to enable formulation of a decision in this regard.  

Yours faithfully,  

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7. Technical Director, NIC with a request to upload the same in portals of MIDH