To
Principal Secretary/Secretary/Commissioner
Department of Rural Development
Government of Andhra Pradesh
Vijaywada

Subject: Provision for additional employment over and above 100 days per household under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) in notified drought affected areas of Andhra Pradesh

I. Background
The Government of Andhra Pradesh has declared additional 23 Mandals in 5 Districts of Andhra Pradesh as drought affected during Rabi 2017-18 (notification copy enclosed), under relevant State regulations. As a result of the adverse impact on agriculture operations in these areas, there is a likelihood of increased demand for wage employment on public works.

II. Special dispensation in drought affected/hit Areas
1. Currently, funds are being provided to the States/UTs under Section 22 of MGNREG Act for meeting the cost of employment upto 100 days per household in a financial year. As per the funding pattern, the Central Government funds the entire cost of unskilled employment upto 100 days per household and 75% of the corresponding cost of materials (including semi-skilled and skilled employment). The cost of employment over and above 100 days, if any, is borne by respective State/UT Governments.

2. In view of the likelihood of increased demand for employment on public works due to the drought situation, it has been decided, under Section 3(4) of MGNREGA, to provide 50 days of additional employment in notified drought affected regions upto 30th June 2018 during the financial year 2018-19.
3. This additionality is subject to the following conditions:

(i) There is a Labour Budget (LB) which has been agreed to by the states/UTs and Central Government for the current financial year. LB includes an approved Shelf of Projects. Works will be taken up from this approved shelf. Initially, funds will be provided to States as per agreed to LB from where they will continue to meet the expenditure on account of providing employment upto 100 days and also for the increased number of days in notified areas;

(ii) If the approved shelf of projects in the agreed to LB is not adequate for meeting the increased demand for employment, a supplementary list, in accordance with works specified in Schedule-I of the Act. However, States will make efforts to convince Gram Sabhas/ Gram Panchayats to give higher priority to drought proofing works including works relating to water and soil conservation in line with the objectives of Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY);

(iii) Proposals for a revision of LB, if required, may be submitted by States/UTs in the same format and following the same procedure as for original LB. Based on an assessment of demand for employment, potential for providing employment on ongoing works and other factors, the Empowered Committee Chaired by Secretary, Department of Rural Development will take a decision on the proposal;

(iv) All other non-negotiables (conditions on use of machinery, wage material ratio, ban on contractors etc) and the stipulated processes in MGNREGA (such as 50% of the works in terms of cost to be assigned to Panchayats for implementation, wage rate, muster rolls, Social Audit, etc) will continue to apply.

III. MIS

(i) Currently, NREGASoft does not allow data entries for employment above 100 days to a HH in a financial year unless specifically requested for by the State/UT. In view of the decision referred to above, NREGASoft is being appropriately modified to allow entries for employment to registered HHs upto 150 days in notified Tehsils.

(ii) In addition to the existing arrangements for keeping details of employment upto 100 days, NREGASoft will keep separate details of expenditure on account of employment cost (wages and material separately) upto 50 days beyond the stipulated 100 days.
IV. Audit of Accounts and SEGF

The scheme funds including SEGF will be audited in accordance with the provisions of the Act and instructions/guidelines issued by the Central Government from time to time. Accounts of Implementing Agencies and SEGF will show separately, expenditure incurred on account of raising the limit from 100 to 150 days. The Auditor will also certify whether the funds released have been utilized in accordance with the norms/guidelines and whether funds required to be credited by States in SEGF have been done or not.

Yours faithfully,

(Aparajita Sarangi)
Joint Secretary to the Government of India
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Encl: as above

Copy to
1. The Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers’ Welfare, Government of India
2. Senior Director (Technical), NIC, Department of Rural Development, Ministry of Rural Development to take necessary action in respect of MIS
3. All Officers/Sections/Consultants in MGNREGA Division of Department of Rural Development, Ministry of Rural Development, Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi, to take necessary follow-up action
OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Provision of additional 50 mandays of work under MGNREGA in the drought affected areas of Andhra Pradesh – reg.

The undersigned is directed to say that the Government of Andhra Pradesh has declared drought in 23 additional Mandals of 5 Districts in the State during Rabi 2017-18. A copy of State Government’s letter dated 25.04.2018 alongwith the drought declaration notification is enclosed.

1. It is requested to extend the benefit of additional 50 mandays wage employment under MGNREGA in the 23 additional mandals in drought affected areas.

2. This issues with the approval of Joint Secretary (Drought Management)

Encl:- A/a.

(B.P.Bimal)
Under Secretary to the Government of India
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The Secretary,
Ministry of Rural development,
Deptt. of Rural Development,
Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
From:
M.V. Seshagiri Babu, I.A.S.,
Special Commissioner, Disaster Management &
Ex-Officio Joint Secretary to Government
A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi
Amaravathi.

To:
The Under Secretary to Government of India,
Department of Agriculture Cooperation & Farmers Welfare,
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare,
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Sub: Revenue (DM) Dept. – Enhancement of wage employment from 100 days to 150 days per House Hold in the 121 Mandals declared as drought affected – Necessary orders – Requested – Reg.

4. G.O.Ms No.2, Revenue (DM.II) Dept., Dt. 05.03.2018.

Adverting to your letter in the reference 3rd cited, I enclose herewith a copy of the Government Order in respect of notification for declaration of 23 additional Mandals as drought affected.

2. It is requested to issue necessary orders for providing additional 50 mandays wage employment per house hold over and above the entitlement of 100 mandays, not exceeding 150 mandays per house hold upto the end of June, 2018 applicable to the above 23 additional Mandals declared as Drought affected in the references 8th cited.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]

For Commissioner, Disaster Management &
Ex-Officio Joint Secretary to Government

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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Revenue (Disaster Management) Department - Drought – North East Monsoon 2017-18 - Rabi - Declaration of additional 23 Mandals (15 Mandals as Severe Drought Affected and 8 Mandals as Moderate Drought affected) - Orders - Issued.

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REVENUE [DM.II] DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 4

Dated: 29-03-2018

Read the following:-

5. Proposals received from the District Collectors of YSR Kadapa and Ananthapuramu Districts.
6. Minutes of the meeting of the Committee on Drought held on 23.03.2018.

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ORDER:

In the references 2nd & 3rd read above, Government declared 98 Mandals (Severe -63, Moderate -35) in 5 Districts i.e (43 severe & 12 moderate); SPS Nellore (15 severe); YSR Kadapa (4 sever & 8 moderate); Ananthapuramu (15 moderate) and Vizianagaram (1 seven) – as Drought affected in Rabi-2017-18.

2. In the reference 5th read above, the District Collectors of YSR Kadapa and Ananthapuramu have submitted proposals for additional 30 and 08 Mandals respectively for declaration as Drought affected in Rabi-2017-18.

3. The Committee constituted in the reference 1st read above, has met on 23.03.2018 and scrutinized the proposals submitted by the District Collectors of YSR Kadapa and Ananthapuramu with reference to the guidelines prescribed by Government of India revised manual for Drought Management-2016 and recommended to the Government for declaration of 23 Mandals (15 Severe, 8 Moderate) as Drought affected Mandals during Rabi-2017-18.

4. Government after careful examination, and keeping in view of the reports furnished by District Collectors of YSR Kadapa and Ananthapuramu in the reference 5th read above and as recommended by the above Committee, hereby declare 23 additional Mandals also [as in Annexure-II] – 15 Mandals categorized as severe Drought in YSR Kadapa and 8 as moderate Drought in Ananthapuramu District in addition to the 98 Mandals declared earlier as Drought affected in the references 2nd & 3rd read above. Thus the total Mandals declared as drought affected in the State are 121 (80+18+23), during Drought Rabi-2018.

5. The District Collectors of YSR Kadapa and Ananthapuramu Districts shall ensure deletion of the notified municipal/urban areas and areas falling under permanent assured irrigation sources, Urban Mandals which are not declared as drought affected, shall be treated on par with drought affected Mandals for the purpose of drinking water. The District Collector of YSR Kadapa and Ananthapuramu shall issue the notification in the District Gazette as mentioned in Annexure- I in the Telugu language, which is the official language of the State, as per the Andhra Pradesh Official Languages Act, 1995.

6. The District Collectors of YSR Kadapa and Ananthapuramu are requested to take immediate further necessary action in the matter.
To

The Commissioner and Director of Printing, Stationery and Stores Purchase (Printing Wing), A.P., is requested to publish the notification in the extra-ordinary issue of Andhra Pradesh Gazette.

(By ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH):

DR. MANMOHAN SINGH
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The District Collectors of VSR district and Ananthapur district.
The District Treasury Officers of VSR district and Ananthapur district.
The Commissioner & Director of Printing, Stationery & Stores Purchase, A.P.
The Principal Secretary to Government, Agriculture & Cooperation Department.
The Director of Treasuries & Accounts, A.P.
The Special Chief Secretary & Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P.
The Special Chief Secretary to Government, Planning Department.
The Special Chief Secretary to Government, Finance Department.
The Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P.
The PR Secretary to Government, Animal Husbandry, Dairy Development & Fisheries Department.
The PR Secretary to Government, Panchayat Raj & Child Welfare Department.
The PR Secretary to Government, Women Development & Child Welfare Department.
The Director, NRSC, Basavanagudi, Bangalore.
The Director of IMD, Begumpet, Hyderabad.
The Director, Andhra Pradesh Climate Research Centre, Agriculture Research Institute, ANGRAU.
The Director of Economics & Statistics, A.P.
The Commissioner of I & PR Department, with a request to issue press note to electronic and print media.
The Commissioner, Civil Supplies & Ex. Officio Secretary to Government.
The Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur.
The Commissioner of Horticulture, A.P., Guntur.
The Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, A.P.
The Commissioner, Rural Development.
The Commissioner, Panchayat Raj Department.
The Commissioner & Director of School Education.
The Commissioner & Director of Intermediate Education.
The Commissioner, Higher Education.
The Managing Director, A.P. State Civil Supplies Corporation.
The Managing Director, APTRANSCO.
The Director, Animal Husbandry, A.P.
The Director, Health Department, A.P.
The Director, State Audit Dept.
The Director, Groundwater, Department.
The Chief Executive Officer, ARPSOPS.
The Engineer-in-Chief, Public Health, A.P.
The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, A.P.
The Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Water Supply, A.P.
The Chief Engineer, Public Health, A.P.

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All the Spl. CS/Principal Secretaries in the CM's Office.
The Agriculture & Cooperation Department.
The Education Department.
The Energy Department.
The Animal Husbandry, Dairy Development & Fisheries Department.
The PR & RD (RWS/I, II & III) Department.
The Managing Director, APFCOE.
The Finance (FMU-Rev-IC) Department.
The Convener, A.P. State Level Banker's Committee, Andhra Bank, Saifabad, Hyd.
The Managing Director, NABARD, Hyderabad.
The General Administration (Cabinet) Department.
The P.S. to Dy. CM (Home & DM)
The P.S. to Dy. CM. (Revenue)
The P.S. to Minister (Finance),
The P.S. to Minister (Agriculture)
The P.S. to Chief Secretary to Government.
The P.S. to Spl. Chief Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
The Revenue (DM Accounts) Department, A.P. Secretariat.
The P.S. to Spl. Commissioner, Disaster Management & Ex-officio Joint Secretary to Government.

//FORWARDED ::BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER
ANNEXURE-I
(G.O. MS. NO.4, REVENUE (DM.III) DEPT. DT.29.03.2018)

NOTIFICATION

In the circumstances reported by the District Collectors of YSR Kadapa and Ananthapuramu, the Government hereby declare that Drought exists during the Rabi 2017-18 in 23 Mandals annexed to this order. The District Collector, YSR Kadapa and Ananthapuramu are requested to take necessary further action and notify the specific Mandals/specific areas in the Mandal in the District Gazette to enable farmers to avail credit facilities and to take up relief operations. The concerned District Collectors shall ensure deletion of the notified Municipal/Urban areas and areas falling under permanent assured irrigation sources where water is being supplied for crops from drought affected Mandals though for purpose of drinking water only they shall be treated on par with drought affected Mandals.

The District Collectors of YSR Kadapa and Ananthapuramu are requested to furnish (10) copies of the District Gazette Notification to the Government.

DR. MANMOHAN SINGH
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
ANNEXURE – II

DECLARED AS DROUGHT AFFECTED MANDALS

(Vide GO Ms. No. 4, Revenue (DM. II) Dept., dt. 29.03.2018)

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