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Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare

Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi
Dated: 28th September 2018

To

Principal Secretary (Agriculture / Coop/Hort)
All implementing States & UTs

Subject: Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana – information on Start of Enrolment of Farmers under PMFBY for Rabi 18 Season to be included in the agenda of Special Gram Sabha on 2nd October at Gram Panchayats – Regarding

Sir/Madam,

As you are aware, the Ministry of Agriculture is implementing the flagship Scheme- Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) with the objective of providing financial support to farmers for crop loss/damage arising out of non preventable natural losses.

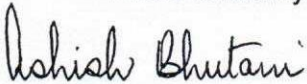
2. **The Rabi 2018-19 Season will be starting from 1st October 2018. In case the State/UT notify the Scheme farmers enrolment under PMFBY for Rabi 2018-19 season will also begin on/after 1st October 2018, provided the crops and areas have been notified under the scheme. A farmer can enrol himself under the scheme till 15th December 2018. To enrol into the Scheme non-loanee farmers can approach near-by Banks, Common Service Centres, Primary Agriculture Cooperative Societies or enlist the services of intermediaries/agents of Insurance Companies. They can also enrol online by visiting the portal – www.pmfbby.gov.in. Loanee farmers are enrolled by Banks into the scheme automatically.**

3. On the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti on 2nd October 2018, all Gram Panchayats will be convening mandatory Gram Sabha meetings at their respective villages. It is an undisputed fact that the Gram Sabha is a powerful platform to disseminate information about PMFBY. Therefore, this Ministry is proposing to incorporate the message about PMFBY in the Gram Sabha Agenda drafted by the Departments of Panchayati Raj or Rural Development, as the case may be, at the State Level.

4. You are hereby requested to ensure that the **message given at point 2** above is incorporated in the Agenda and discussed in all the Gram Sabha meetings conducted on 2nd October 2018. Necessary coordination in this regard may be done with the concerned Departments of Panchayati Raj or Rural Development as the case may be at the State Level.

5. You are also requested to issue press releases regarding the starting of Rabi 2018-19 Season and enrolment commencement and cut off dates and ensure proper media coverage across the State.

Yours faithfully


Dr Ashish Kumar Bhutani
CEO, PMFBY

Copy to:

1. The Secretary, Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
(With a request to instruct the State level functionaries to include the content mentioned at point no.2 in the agenda for the upcoming Gram Sabhas)
2. CMD/CEO of all empanelled General Insurance Companies/
3. CMD/MD of all Nationalized Banks - for disseminating information materials about the Scheme at the Gram Sabha meetings.
4. PPS to Secretary AC&FW
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