GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA FOREST, ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE DEPARTMENT *******

NOTIFICATION

Bhubaneswar, Dated the

No. FE-P&C-FP&C-0033-2023 - 2587 /FE&CC., Date. 13: 02. 24

Govt have been pleased to fix the procurement price of Kendu leaves for crop year 2024 @ Rs.1.60 per kerri containing 20 leaves in process area & Rs.3.20 per kerri containing 40 leaves in Phal area.

Besides, the following benefits have been granted to the KL beneficiaries:

- (1) 50 % Bonus to Pluckers and 10 % Incentives to Binders and Seasonal staff will be paid for 2023 Crop year.
- (2) Increase in monthly consolidated wages for various categories of KL Workers viz. Head Checkers, Circle Checkers, Checkers, Binding Checkers, Munshis and Chaparshis w.e.f. 01.10.2023 as follows:

Designation	Category of KL Workers	Existing wages effective from 01/04/2019	Revised wages w.e.f. 01/10/2023
Head Checker	Highly skilled	Rs.22,631	Rs.26,420
Circle checker	Skilled	Rs.17,744	Rs.21,197
Checker/ Binding Checker	Skilled	Rs.14,807	Rs.17,688
Munshi	Semi- Skilled	Rs.12,420	Rs.15,215
Chaparashi	Unskilled	Rs.9,852	Rs. 12,385

- (3) Increase in TE & Cycle allowance of Head Checkers, Circle Checkers and Checkers by 50% from 2024 Crop year onwards.
- (4) Financial assistance of Rs.25,000 /- each for daughter's marriage of eligible beneficiaries (for maximum two daughters) from 2024 crop year.
- (5) Maximum age limit for eligible beneficiaries for coverage under social security scheme is enhanced from 60 to 62 years from 2024 crop year onwards.
- (6) One more month of engagement to Seasonal Staff.
- (7) The designation of "Chaparasis" to be re-designated as "Phadi Sathi".

The Bonus and Incentives amount for 2023 crop year shall be met from KLDF and "Mukhyamantri Kendu Leaf Welfare Fund".

By order of Governor

Additional Chief Secretary to Government



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