GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY

CHIEF SECRETARIAT (CO-OPERATION)

(G.O. Ms. No. 20 /Co-op., dated 22nd January 2009)

ORDER

The Lieutenant-Governor, is pleased to approve the guidelines/rules for governing the establishment and operation of the “Scheme for Modernisation of Looms of the Members of the Co-operative Societies” as in the Annexure appended to this order.

2. These guidelines/rules shall come into force from the date of issue of this order in the official gazette.

3. This issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide their U.O. No.66408/FD/F5/A2, dated 14-10-2008.

(By order of the Lieutenant-Governor)

D. MAHEEPATHI,

Under Secretary to Government.
ANNEXURE

Modernisation of Looms

Scheme.— This scheme aims at enabling the Primary Weavers’ Co-operative Societies in the Union Territory to help the weavers by using modern methods of handloom weaving in order to increase the production of handloom fabrics. Under this scheme, assistance will be released to the Primary Societies for modernisation, subject to a maximum amount of Rs. 10,000 per weaver for framelooms and Rs. 5,000 per weaver for pitlooms. The weaver shall be a member of a Primary Weavers Co-operative Society for availing this assistance. The modernisation will be implemented in a phased manner.

Guidelines for Implementation

1. Short title, extent and commencement.— (i) This scheme may be called as the “Scheme for Modernisation of Looms of the Member of the Weavers’ Co-operative Societies”.
   (ii) It shall extend to the whole of Union territory of Puducherry.
   (iii) It shall come into force with immediate effect.

2. Objective.— This scheme attempts to meet the needs of weavers under the co-operative fold for the change of looms or for upgrading the existing looms in order to improve the product development, productivity and its diversification under modern methods of handloom weaving.

3. Target group/eligibility.— Members of the Primary Weavers’ Co-operative Societies are eligible to avail the facility under this scheme through their respective Co-operative Societies.

4. Constitution of committee.— (a) There shall be a committee constituted by the Registrar of Co-operative Societies with the following members and the committee shall scrutinise the applications received under the scheme:
   1. The Joint Registrar of Co-operative Societies . . Chairman
   2. The Deputy Registrar (Handlooms) . . Convenor
   3. The Managing Director, PONTEX . . Member
   4. The President / Administrator of the concerned . . Member Primary Weavers’ Co-operative Society.
   5. Technical Supervisor, Co-operative Department . . Member
In the absence of the Chairman, the seniormost member will act as the Chairman of the committee.

(b) The committee shall meet as often as necessary to scrutinise the applications received under this scheme and to select among the weavers who have applied for looms under this scheme and recommend the names of the deserving members, loom types and amounts to be sanctioned to the Primary Societies concerned along with a minutes copy to the Registrar of Co-operative Societies. Based on the recommendations of the committee, the amount will be released to the Primary Weavers’ Co-operative Societies concerned and each of such society shall arrange for the purchase of modern loom/upgrading the existing loom and submit the utilisation certificate to the Registrar of Co-operative Societies.

(c) The committee shall have the power to check the loom purchased under the scheme at any time.

(d) The committee shall fix a target for every year after taking into account, the number of looms existing in each society and the number of members who proposed to go for modernisation, etc.

(e) If the member resigns / is expelled / died within a period of 5 (five) years, the loom issued under this scheme should be returned to the respective Primary Weavers’ Co-operative Societies in which the weaver is a member.

(f) The Primary Weavers’ Co-operative Society shall maintain a separate register containing the details of the member to whom looms / or modernisation of looms have been issued, the addresses where the looms are fixed and working, date of issue and their signature of the members for having received the looms. Any change of address of the members shall be incorporated in the register to be maintained.

5. Eligibility.— (a) Each member is eligible for only one type of loom i.e. either pitloom (raised loom) or frameloom and the member is eligible for the actual expenditure incurred for the modernisation of loom subject to a maximum of Rs. 10,000 per weaver for framelooms and Rs. 5,000 per weaver for pitlooms

(b) All the looms owned by the Weavers’ Co-operative Societies also can be modernised under this scheme.
6. Process of applications.— (a) Any weaver-member willing to modernise his looms under this scheme shall apply in the prescribed form of application (Annexure-A) along with the duly attested xerox copy of his voter EPIC Card, Residence Certificate issued by Revenue Department and an affidavit in the prescribed format (Annexure-B) to the President of the Primary Weavers’ Co-operative Society.

(b) The management of Primary Weavers’ Co-operative Society shall scrutinise the application and after certifying as to its correctness, forward the same to the Convenor of the committee along with the copy of the Board Resolution recommending the application.

(c) On receipt of the application the committee shall scrutinise the same and recommend to the Registrar of Co-operative Societies for the release of fund, along with minutes of the recommendation of the committee.

7. Recovery / cancellation of subsidy.— If it is proved / found subsequently, that the information furnished by the weaver-member is false or that the claim has been made wrongly or if the loom is found to be sold out, the total cost of the loom is to be returned by the member or the same shall be recovered from the member concerned directly or adjusted from out of the funds payable to the concerned weaver member or his legal heir by the society. The society shall remit to the Government such recovered amounts immediately.

8. Repair and maintenance.— All the repairs and maintenance of the loom purchased by the society shall be carried out by the concerned weaver-member or by the society. No separate fund shall be released by the Government and the funds released under this scheme shall not be utilised for the repairs and maintenance of such looms.

9. Interpretation.— Should any doubt or dispute arise in the construction or meaning of any of the provisions of this scheme, the committee shall refer the matter to the Registrar, whose opinion shall be final and binding.

10. Power to relax.— Notwithstanding anything contained in this scheme, it shall be competent for the committee to relax any of the clauses of this scheme with the prior approval of the Registrar.
ANNEXURE-A

Application for Modernisation of Loom

1. Name of the society:
2. Address:
3. Name of the member:
4. Member number:
5. Whether legal heir form obtained:
6. Name of the legal heir and relationship with the applicant.
7. Application for modernisation of
   Pitloom:
   Frameloom:
8. Address where the loom is working:
9. Loom number:
10. Amount required for modernisation:
11. How many looms the member has got:
    of his own?
12. How many looms are in the name of:
    the family members?
13. Attested xerox copy of Ration Card/:
    EPIC enclosed.
14. Undertaking enclosed or not, if not,:
    reason for the same.

DECLARATION

I hereby declare that the particulars given above are true and genuine and in case if it is proved to be false and found wrong, I hereby undertake to repay the amount in full or otherwise authorise the society to recover the amount in full from out of the amount payable by the society to me.

Place: ____________________________________________
Signature of the applicant (or)
Date: ____________________________________________
thumb-impression.
Society purpose

The particulars furnished by the applicant in the application are true as per the records of the society and submit the application to recommend to sanction an amount of Rs........................... for modernisation of loom.

Director        Director        President
     Manager.

For Committee Use

ANNEXURE-B

Undertaking

I, Thiru / Tmt./ Selvi ......................................... ...son/wife/daughter
of............................., residing at........................................................and
recipient / beneficiary of the subsidy assistance under the scheme of modernisation of loom to the members of Weavers’ Co-operative Societies for purchase of looms in the Union territory of Puducherry, from the Co-operative Department, Puducherry, do hereby solemnly affirm that the information furnished by me while applying for the said scheme is true and genuine. In case it is proved or found subsequently that the information furnished by me is false, I hereby undertake to repay the amount of Rs.....................granted to me as subsidy along with interest and / or authorise to recover the same in whatever manner deemed fit from out of the amount payable by the society to me.

I also undertake that I shall not sell the looms provided under this scheme for a period of 5 (five) years from the date of sanctioning the subsidy assistance. In case, the looms found to have been sold, the amount received is liable to be returned immediately along with interest to the Government by me, and / or to be recovered from out of the amount payable by the society to me.

Place:                        Signature of the beneficiary.
Date:

Witnesses :
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