GUIDELINE FOR SUPPLY OF SOLAR LANTERN TO THE WEAVER HOUSEHOLD OF THE STATE

Handloom Industry is a large cottage industry next to agriculture that provides employment to about 1.03 lakh weavers in the state to earn their livelihood. As per Handloom Census-2009 conducted by Government of India there are 40,683 weaver households comprising 1,03,158 weavers and allied workers engaged in this profession. This being a cottage industry, the weavers generally work in their cottages to produce fabrics of intricate designs on their looms. The process involves handling of fine yarn with colour of various shades continuously for longer period. To minimize physical strain on eye and enable the weaver to weave for longer duration properly illuminated place is essential. During failure of power supply and low voltage in rural areas the weaver has no alternative to continue his work.

In order to facilitate the weaver to work in a better environment and for longer hours it is felt necessary to provide solar lantern to each handloom weaver family through the “Odisha Renewable Energy Development Agency”. This will facilitate a weaver to devote more time for the weaving activities in an effective manner and higher earnings.

OBJECTIVE:

- To provide an illuminated work place.
- To facilitate carrying his weaving activity during failure of electricity/low voltage.
- Reduce physical strain on eye.
- Allow the weaver to work for more time and earn more.

Target:

Approximate 10,000 families to be covered annually.
Eligibility and Selection Criteria:

a) Each weaver family of the State engaged in weaving and allied activities shall be provided one solar lantern (specially designed by OREDA to suit the working need of the weavers).

b) During selection, weaver family/ habitats having no electricity/ low voltage should be given preference.

c) Weavers family of weaker section of the society such as BPL and S.C./S.T. category engaged in the activities shall be assisted on priority basis.

d) Application in the prescribed format shall be collected from the weavers family by the field functionaries and shall be placed before a selection committee headed by Divisional Officer as chairman and will consist ADT (member-convener), representative of PWCS (to be nominated by concerned Zonal Officer) as member for finalization of beneficiaries.

e) The Divisional Officer and Zonal Officer concerned shall make a joint field visit to verify at least 10% cases of the proposed beneficiary list prior to placing the same before the committee for finalization of beneficiaries.

f) In addition to the final beneficiary list, 5% additional beneficiaries may be kept in the waiting list to avoid further selection in case of drop out due to unforeseen reasons.

g) The Zonal DDT/ADT shall submit the selected list of weaver family, for assistance as per target, for onward submission of information to Government.

Funding Pattern & Release of Fund:

a) Funds required for implementation of the programme, to assist 10,000 weaver families approx per annum, shall be met out of the provision under the scheme “Promotion of Handloom Industries”.

b) Zone-wise action plan for supply of solar lantern shall be formulated by the Directorate on the basis of report received from zone offices, for submission to Government.

c) Directorate of Textiles shall submit the proposal to Government in Handlooms, Textile and Handicraft Department for approval of Action Plan as well as sanction and release of funds.

d) The list of beneficiaries recommended by the committee, zone wise requirement of the units shall be forwarded to OREDA.

e) As per list, OREDA shall supply the solar lantern to respective locations for distribution to the respective beneficiary within 30 days of placing of order. The lantern shall be distributed to individual in presence of officials of Zone and OREDA.

f) The Zone Officer concerned shall submit certificate duly signed by zone officer & representative of OREDA and countersigned by respective Divisional officer, on supply and distribution of Solar Lantern and its functioning to this Directorate within 15 days of supply by OREDA.

g) Basing on the above certificate furnished by respective Zonal Office, required funds shall be released to OREDA.

h) OREDA shall submit utilization certificate along with detail physical report and documentation of the programme to the Directorate.

**Mode of Implementation:**

Directorate of Textiles & Handloom shall be the Nodal Agency. Zonal Offices under the Directorate of Textiles & Handloom shall be the Implementing Agency for the areas coming under their administrative jurisdiction.

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c) Weavers family of higher age group including BPL and S.C. /S.T. category engaged in the activities shall be assisted on priority basis.

d) List of deserving beneficiaries eligible for assistance under the programme shall be prepared and submitted by the Zone Offices to their respective Division Offices for authentication.

e) The Divisional Officer shall make a joint field visit with the concerned Zonal Officer to verify at least 10 % cases to finalize the list of beneficiaries to be assisted.

**Funding Pattern & Release of Fund:**

a) Funds required for implementation of the programme, to assist 10,000 weaver families approx per annum, shall be met out of the provision under the scheme “Promotion of Handloom Industries”.

b) Zone-wise action plan for supply of solar lantern shall be formulated for approval of Director of Textiles, Odisha.

c) Directorate of Textiles shall submit the proposal to Government in Handlooms, Textile and Handicraft Department for sanction and release of funds to be kept with “SADHAC” for subsequent utilization.

d) The Zonal DDT/ADT shall submit the list of weaver family as per action plan, selected for assistance duly recommended by the committee headed by Divisional Officer to the Directorate of Textiles.

e) After receipt of list of beneficiaries recommended by the committee, zone-wise requirement of units shall be forwarded to OREDA, for subsequent supply
to respective zone offices for successful installation of solar lantern in the cottage of the respective beneficiary.

f) The Zone Officer concerned shall intimate the status on supply and installation of Solar Lantern and its functioning to this Directorate within 30 days of supply by OREDA.

g) Basing on the above certificate furnished by respective Zonal Office, instruction shall be issued from the Directorate to “SADHAC” for release of the required amount to OREDA.

**Mode of Implementation:**

SADHAC shall be the Implementing Agency and Zonal Offices of Textiles under the Directorate of Textiles & Handloom shall be the Executive Agencies for the areas coming under their administrative jurisdiction. Directorate of Textiles & Handloom shall be the Nodal Agency.
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II ) OBJECTIVE:

The objective of the scheme is to provide one solar lantern to each handloom weaver family with following goals -

➢ To provide an illuminated work place.

➢ To facilitate carrying his weaving activity during failure of electricity/low voltage.

➢ Reduce physical strain on eye.

➢ Allow the weaver to work for more time and earn more.

III) SELECTION OF BENEFICIARIES:

a) Each weaver family of the State engaged in weaving and allied activities shall be eligible for assistance under this scheme. During selection of beneficiaries, preference shall be given to weaver family/habitats having no electricity/low voltage and higher age group of weavers/ allied workers including BPL & S.C./S.T. category.
b) List of deserving beneficiaries eligible for assistance under the programme shall be prepared and submitted by the Zone Offices to their respective Division Offices for authentication.

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IV) IMPLEMENTING AGENCY:


V) NATURE OF ASSISTANCE:

a) If grant/subsidy is required to be sanctioned, then furnish information such as basis or extent of subsidy will be released to the implementing agency:- Funds will be sanctioned as grant/subsidy out of POHI scheme under state plan.

Funding Pattern & Release of Fund:

a) Funds required for implementation of the programme, to assist 10000 weaver households approx per annum, shall be met out of the provision under the scheme “Promotion of Handloom Industries”.

b) The Zonal DDT/ADT shall submit the list of weaver family/weaver selected for assistance duly recommended by the committee headed by Divisional Officer to the Directorate of Textiles.

c) Directorate of Textiles shall submit the proposal to Government in Handlooms, Textile and Handicraft Department for sanction and release of funds to be kept with “SADHAC” for subsequent utilization.

d) On receipt of approval from Government, Zone wise detail information shall be forwarded to OREDA, for subsequent supply and successful installation of
solar lantern in the cottage of the respective beneficiary in presence of concerned Zone Officials.

e) The Zone Officer concerned shall intimate the status on supply and installation of Solar Lantern and its functioning to this Directorate within 30 days of supply.

f) Basing on the above certificate furnished by respective Zonal Office, instruction shall be issued from the Directorate to “SADHAC” for release of the required amount to OREDA.

IV) MODE OF IMPLEMENTATION:

Zonal Offices of Textiles under the Directorate of Textiles & Handloom shall be the Implementing Agencies for the areas coming under their administrative jurisdiction. The work may be executed through the local PWCS. Directorate of Textiles & Handloom shall be the Nodal Agency.

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