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1st March 2005

Smt Ranjana Kumar
Chairperson
NABARD
Plot No. C-24, G Block
Bandra-Kurla Complex
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Bandra (East)
Mumbai 400 051

Respected Madam


200 Farmers associations from various parts of the country are organising a meeting to discuss Union Budget 2005-2006. Federation of Farmers Association A P a registered farmers association is coordinating the arrangements. The objective is to evaluate the Budget allocations to Agriculture sectors and suggest necessary modifications.

They include Coffee, Tea, Spices, Horticulture farmers of Maharashtra, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh, Cotton farmers from Gujarat, Maharashtra and A P. Oil Seeds producers from Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Haryana and U P, Sugarcane Growers from all the important states. Aqua Culture farmers and Dairy farmers and many others are participating.

We are studying the implications of the budget and suggest necessary modifications. In addition we are preparing a road map for increasing the productivity, quality and build competitiveness of farmers. We are identifying areas of partnership between the industry, research and others.
We are requesting the Hon'ble Prime Minister, Minister for Agriculture and other policy makers to participate in the deliberations. Detailed Program enclosed.

As it is difficult for these delegates to bear the charges we are mobilising resources. Details of the objectives and budget enclosed for your kind perusal.

We request you to sanction an amount of Rs. 2,65,000/- as assistance by NABARD for organising the meeting.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely

P Chengal Reddy

Encl : As above.
ANNEXURE

Checklist for information to be supplied for seeking financial assistance for Organising conferences / seminars etc

1. Name of organising agency and address : Federation of Farmers Association
   Flat No. 209, Vijaya Towers
   Shanti Nagar
   Hyderabad 500 028
   Andhra Pradesh

2. Name of the Convenor : Mr P Chengal Reddy- Chairman
   Federation of Farmers Association


4. Date 14th - 16th March 2005
5. Venue A P Bhavan New Delhi 110 001
6. Objectives
   To study the allocations for agriculture in Union Budget 2005-06
   a) To suggest ways and means for necessary changes and other related issues.
   b) To identify issues to be taken up for increasing productivity and quality to develop competitiveness
   c) Identify areas of Partnership
   d) Increasing the credit facilities to unorganised sectors.

7. Topics to be discussed

8. No. of Participants /delegates
   a) From India : 300
   b) From Abroad : None
9. Name of Country in respect of foreign participants

No

10. Designation, vocation, expertise in respect of persons presenting the lead papers, etc

Mr Sanat Mehta Ex revenue Minister
Govt of Gujarat, Export and Import Policies

Mr V S Rao, Ex Agriculture Minister,
Govt of A P – Credit and Crop insurance policies of GOI

Mr Jaichandra, Ex Agriculture Minister,
Govt of Karnataka – Private Public Partnership.

Mr P Chengal Reddy, Chairman of Federation of Farmers Association, A P
– Networking farmers association and joining partnership for development.

Dr T Haque, Chairman C A C P
Agricultural policies vis a vis WTO.

11. Relevance of the Conference to Banking Industry in general and NABARD in particular.

1. The meeting will identify issues related to credit provided to the Agriculture in the Union Budget 2005-06.

2. It proposes to suggest further modifications in the budget so as to extend credit to unorganised sectors of tenant farmers and others.

3. It will be suggesting new institutional approach for enlarging the credit availability.
12 Delegate Fee / registration fee per head

13 Name of cosponsors and amount of grant expected from each of them
   Processing Industries Rs. 2 Lakh
   Input Industries Rs. 2 Lakh

14 Agency's own involvement
   Rs. 2 Lakh
   Details enclosed

15 Budget (estimated expenses on each item should be indicated together with estimated receipts)

16 Amount of assistance sought from NABARD
   Rs. 2.65 Lakhs.
Budget for organising farmers meeting at New Delhi to evaluate the Union Budget 2005-2006 and suggest necessary modifications to Government of India.

1. Travelling charges for farmers 200x Rs. 2000/-
   = Rs. 4,00,000

2. Accomodation at Delhi for 3 days
   @ Rs. 300 per head x 200x 3
   = Rs. 1,80,000

3. Rent for the Conference halls for three days
   @ Rs. 10,000 x 3
   = Rs. 30,000

4. Breakfast Lunch , Tea and Dinner
   @ Rs. 250 x 200 x 3 days
   = Rs. 1,50,000

5. Banners and Mike Arrangements
   @ Rs 5,000/- per day for 3 days
   = Rs. 15,000

6. Local Transport arrangements
   @ Rs 20,000/- per day x 3
   = Rs. 60,000

7. Photographs and Video recording
   = Rs. 10,000

8. Literature for the conference
   = Rs. 20,000

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Total Rs. 8,65,000
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