## IMMEDIATE

## F.No-A-58011/29/2011-E.II Government of India Department of Agriculture & Famers Welfare Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare

## KrishiBhawan, New Delhi. Date: 09<sup>th</sup>February,2022

## **OFFICE ORDER**

Union Cabinet had approved an Umbrella Scheme 'Pradhan MantriAnnadata Ajay SanrakshanAbhiyan (PM-AASHA)' to ensure Minimum Support Price (MPS) to farmers, comprising of Price Support Scheme (PSS), Price Deficiency Payment Scheme (PDPS), Pilot of Private Procurement & Stockist Scheme (PPSS) and existing schemes of Food and Public Distribution and Ministry of Textiles.

2. Union Cabinet also approved establishment of full-fledged Costing Cell in the Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare for effective implementation of PM-AASHA scheme. The Costing Cell will be responsible for vetting of the reimbursement proposals received from the State Government under PSS, PDPS and PPSS. The Costing Cell will dispose-off the claims in a time bound manner and will also provide professional inputs for further streamlining of other schemes of Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare. The Cell will be headed by an Adviser(Joint Secretary) level.

3. Accordingly, in pursuance of Department of Expenditure OM No.A-32013/2/2018-CAC(Vol.II) dated 24.08.2021, a Costing Cell is created in the Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare comprising of the following 09 posts of Indian Costs and Accounts Service (ICoAS) under administrative control of Establishment Section-II :

S.No.	Post	Grade	Level in Pay Matrix of 07 <sup>th</sup> CPC	Sanctioned strength
1.	Adviser(Cost)	SAG scale	Level-14	1
2.	Joint Director(Cost)/Director(Cost)	JAG/NFSG	Level- 12/Level- 13	2
3.	Deputy Director (Cost)	STS	Level-11	4
4.	Assistant Director(Cost)	JTS	Level-10	2
TOTAL				9

4. The Costing Cell will be headed by an Adviser (Joint Secretary level) and function as a constituent of Investment and Price Support Division of the Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare. The Adviser of Costing Cell will report to Additional Secretary/Secretary, DA&FW.

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Under Secretary to the Government of India

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- 1. Sr. PPS to Secretary (A&FW)/PPS to JS (Admin)/PPS to JS, Investment and Price Support Division
- Adviser (Admin), Office of Chief Advisor cost, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi
- 3. Department of Personnel and Training, [Under Secretary (CRD)], 3<sup>rd</sup> floor Lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi
- 4. Under Secretary (Shri Ranjit Kumar Jha), Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance.
- 5. Cash-I and Cash-II Sections.
- 6. GA/Welfare/AVU/IT/Library/O&MPG/RTI Sections.
- 7. Service Book Desk/Personal file/Pension file/Guard file.