

Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN)



Objective

- With a view to augment the income of the Small and Marginal Farmers (SMFs), the Government has launched a new Central Sector Scheme, namely, “**Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN)**” in the year 2019.
- The **PM-KISAN** scheme aims to supplement the financial needs of the SMFs in procuring various inputs to ensure proper crop health and appropriate yields, commensurate with the anticipated farm income at the end of the each crop cycle.
- This would also protect them from falling in the clutches of money lenders for meeting such expenses and ensure their continuance in the farming activities.

How to Apply

Farmers can apply online by filling new farmer registration form on <https://pmkisan.gov.in/>

Definition of Families

- The SMFs landholder farmer family is defined as “a family comprising of husband, wife and minor children who collectively own cultivable land upto 2 hectare as per land records of the concerned State/UT”.

Basis for Identification

- The number of eligible SMFs under the scheme has been estimated on the basis of projection of Agricultural Census 2015-16 data for 2018-19.
- The projected number of holding of SMFs landholder farmer families for FY 2018-19 is 13.15 crore.
- Due to likely exclusion of certain categories of beneficiaries of higher economic strata, the total number of eligible beneficiaries has been taken as 12.50 crore.
- The existing land-ownership system will be used for identification of beneficiaries for calculation of financial benefit under the scheme.

Benefit to eligible SMFs

- Under the Scheme, a direct payment of Rs. 6000 per year will be transferred in three equal installments of Rs. 2000 each every four months into the Aadhar ceded bank accounts of eligible landholding SMFs families.
- The first installment for the period 01.12.2018 to 31.03.2019, under the scheme will be transferred to the eligible beneficiaries in the current financial year (2018-19) itself. First Installment shall be transferred immediately on identification of the beneficiaries.

Exclusion

- There will be exclusion of certain categories of beneficiaries of higher economic strata which will be separately notified by the Government in due course.