

**Effective instructions issued to the finance department regarding execution of crop loan waiver at a high-level meeting chaired by the Chief Minister**

**After the state budget is passed, loan waiver equivalent amount to be provided to the banks and small and marginal farmers be provided with loan waiver certificates : Chief Minister**

**The Loan Waiver Certificates to be provided to 86 lakh small and marginal farmers by reaching them personally**

**All banks to be directed not to issue any loan recovery notice to such farmers till the state government's budget is passed**

**A district-level committee under the district magistrate constituted for effective roll out of the scheme**

**Bank accounts of farmers who benefit from this scheme to be linked with Aadhar**

**This government is committed to the welfare and prosperity of farmers**

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Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath ji today chaired a high-level meeting with regards to the crop loan waiver for farmers and gave some important and effective directives to the finance department for its execution.

The Chief Minister said that soon after the budget for the financial year 2017-18 is passed, an amount equivalent to the loan of marginal and small farmers should be provided to the banks and loan waiver certificates should be provided to the farmers. Yogi ji also said that these certificates be given to the 86 lakh farmers by reaching them personally.

He also said that the scheme should be implemented constitutionally by passing the budget. The Chief Minister also asked officers to give clear-cut instructions to the banks not to slap any notice with regards to the banks to such farmers till the time the state budget is passed.

He also said that a meeting of all the state-level banks be convened at the earliest to ensure successful roll out of the scheme. Yogi ji also called for

constituting a district level committee under the district magistrate for successful execution of the scheme by proper monitoring. This committee will also have representatives from the agriculture, development related departments and the information department.

The district agriculture officer would be the member secretary of this committee and the district magistrate would ensure that the scheme reaches the beneficiary farmers and that this information reaches every nook and corner of the villages. It was also decided that the bank accounts of such farmers would be linked to Aadhar.

The Chief Minister appealed to the farmers to help in this and asked officers to coordinate with their banking counterparts to get the KYC formalities of farmers completed, as per need.

Yogi ji also reiterated the commitment of the state government towards welfare and prosperity of farmers and said how in its first cabinet meeting, the state government had okayed the historic crop loan waiver for small and marginal farmers against loans taken till March 31, 2016 amounting upto Rs. one lakh.

It is significant to point out that under the support price scheme, till now 32.16 lakh metric tonnes of wheat has been procured which is four times more than the previous year. Till now, payment of Rs. 22,190 crore of arrears of the cane growers has also been done. The state has also logged a record production of sugar.

Also present at the meeting were Finance Minister Mr. Rajesh Agarwal, Chief Secretary Mr. Rahul Bhatnagar, Additional Chief Secretary (Finance) Dr. Anoop Chandra Pandey and Principal Secretary (Agriculture) Mr. Rajneesh Gupta.

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