

## **Bee-Keeping, Breeding and Honey Production Scheme**

Agriculture plays vital role in Indian economy and 70 % of population Maharashtra depends directly or indirectly on agriculture income. The Agriculture needs to be increased so as to generate more income. Considering this aspect Maharashtra State Khadi and Village Industries Board is promoting Bee-Keeping industry from years together in the state . Honey and Bees are known to the mankind since times immemorial. Honey is a nutritious fluid collected by Honey Bees which is good for human health. Honey is used by mankind since very ancient period as food , medicine etc. Bee-Keeping industry plays important role for addition in Agriculture income through pollinisation. This industry also plays important role to create employment opportunities among the rural mass. The Board is implementing various Govt. programmes so as to promote this industry in the state at large extent.

The following schemes are being implemented in the State:-

- 1) Integrated Bee-Keeping, Breeding and Honey Production Scheme  
( For 12 Districts in Western Ghat)
- 2) Marathwada Development Programme  
( For 8 Districts of Marathwada )
- 3) Scheme of ATMA Through Agriculture Department  
( For all the Districts)

### **Assistance from Board**

- 1) Technical Assistance
  - i) Training
  - ii) Technical supervision by staff
- 2) Financial Assistance
  - i) Loan through financial institution
  - ii) Subsidies from State/Central Govt.

\*\*\*\*For more details about schemes please click

## Marketing support to Entrepreneurs/Artisans aided by Board

The Board is providing marketing support for the products manufactured by the unit assisted under various schemes of the Board .

The Government of Maharashtra Industry, Energy and Labour Dept. has issued the Govt. resolution on dated 2 nd January 1992 , so as to provide support to market the products manufactured in village industries sector as mentioned bellow :-

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| 1. Handmade paper                            | 2. Handmade Drawing paper |
| 3. Handmade Blotting paper                   | 4. File Covers            |
| 5. Port Folio                                | 6. File Bord              |
| 7. Toilet Soap & Laundry Soap                | 8. Fennel                 |
| 9. Village Oil (Ghani Oil)                   | 10. Barrack – Blanket     |
| 11. Detergent Powder                         | 12. Detergent Cake        |
| 13. Candle                                   | 14. Furniture (Wooden)    |
| 15. Rope Making                              | 16. Khadi                 |
| 17. Duster                                   | 18. Ghongadi/ Kambls      |
| 19. Cotton Mattresses /Pillows/Pillow Covers |                           |

Out of the above items the Central Stores Purchase Organization of Govt. of Maharashtra has fixed rates of following items:-

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| 7. Toilet Soap & Laundry Soap                | 8. Fennel                 |
| 9. Barrack – Blanket                         | 10. Detergent Powder      |
| 11. Detergent Cake                           | 12. Furniture (Wooden)    |
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The rate are being revised every year by Central Stores Purchase Organization .

Besides this to make available more marketing avenues to the products of village industries sectors, the Board conducts exhibitions at various places time to time, also seminars, buyers and sellers meets are being conducted to give wide publicity.