

EOI No.: NCCF/KNP/PSS-AB/2025-26/ 1775

Date: 02-03-2026

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

Empanelment of PACS / FPO / FPC

For Procurement of Pulses under Price Support Scheme (PSS) – PM-AASHA / Atmanirbhar Bharat

1. Background

1.1 Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, vide Letter No. L-15016/95/2020-MPS (E-91262) dated 11.11.2025, has issued revised instructions regarding implementation of Price Support Scheme (PSS) under PM-AASHA.

1.2 As per Para 2(A)(x) of the said letter, State Agencies may involve Primary Agricultural Cooperative Societies (PACS), Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs), and Farmer Producer Companies (FPCs) in procurement operations subject to prescribed conditions.

1.3 In compliance with the above Government instructions and applicable scheme guidelines, NCCF, Kanpur Branch Invites Expression of Interest (EOI) from eligible PACS/FPO/FPC for empanelment for procurement of notified pulses.

1.4 This EOI is only for empanelment. It does not guarantee allocation of procurement targets or create any contractual obligation.

2. Objective

2.1 To facilitate procurement of notified pulses at Minimum Support Price (MSP) from eligible farmers.

2.2 To strengthen decentralized procurement through participation of eligible PACS/FPO/FPC.

2.3 To ensure transparency, accountability, and compliance with Government of India guidelines.

3. Commodities

Procurement may be undertaken for the following pulses (subject to Government approval and target allocation):

- 3.1 Black Gram (Urad)
- 3.3 Pigeon Pea (Tur/Arhar)
- 3.4 Lentil (Masoor)
- 3.5 Bengal Gram (Chana)

4. Eligibility Conditions

4.1 The applicant must be a legally registered PACS / FPO / FPC under relevant Act.

4.2 In case of FPO/FPC:

- Minimum two (02) years of existence as on date of application.
- Minimum 300 active farmer members.

4.3 Each PACS/FPO/FPC shall be permitted to operate only one (01) procurement centre.

4.4 Procurement operations shall be conducted only in those villages/talukas where the applicant's registered farmer members are present.

4.5 PACS/FPO/FPC shall not be allowed to act as State Level Agency (SLA) under PSS.

4.6 The applicant must not be blacklisted or debarred by any Government Department / PSU.

5. Mandatory CA Certification (For FPO/FPC)

5.1 The list of minimum 300 farmer members submitted by FPO/FPC must be certified by a practicing Chartered Accountant (CA).

5.2 The CA Certificate must clearly mention:

- (a) Total number of active farmer members as on date of application.
- (b) Verification of membership records from official registers of the FPO/FPC.
- (c) Confirmation that members listed are genuine farmer members.
- (d) Confirmation that the FPO/FPC has completed minimum two years of existence.

5.3 The CA Certificate must include:

- Name of CA
- Membership Number
- Firm Registration Number (if applicable)
- UDIN (Unique Document Identification Number)
- Signature and Seal

5.4 Applications without CA-certified membership list (for FPO/FPC) shall not be considered.

6. Scope of Work

Empanelled PACS/FPO/FPC shall:

6.1 Assist in farmer registration and verification.

6.2 Ensure procurement strictly from eligible farmers.

6.3 Ensure compliance with FAQ (Fair Average Quality) norms.

6.4 Provide basic infrastructure such as weighing scale, moisture meter, manpower, and handling arrangements.

6.5 Maintain proper procurement records (physical and electronic).

6.6 Coordinate with designated warehouses for stock deposition and WHR generation.

6.7 Ensure that no unauthorized charges are collected from farmers.

6.8 Cooperate with inspection, audit, and verification by NCCF or Government authorities.

7. Documents to be Submitted

Applicants shall submit self-attested copies of:

7.1 Registration Certificate.

7.2 Memorandum & Bye-laws.

7.3 PAN Card.

7.4 GST Registration (if applicable).

7.5 CA-certified list of minimum 300 farmer members (mandatory for FPO/FPC).

7.6 Proof of two years existence (FPO/FPC).

7.7 Bank Account Details with cancelled cheque.

7.8 Details of proposed procurement centre infrastructure.

7.9 Board Resolution / Authorization Letter.

7.10 Affidavit stating:

- Entity is not blacklisted.
- Entity will not act as SLA.
- Entity will comply with PM-AASHA/PSS guidelines.

8. Evaluation Process

8.1 Applications will be scrutinized by a Branch Level Committee.

8.2 NCCF may conduct physical verification of infrastructure and membership details.

8.3 Empanelment does not guarantee allocation of procurement targets.

9. General Conditions

9.1 NCCF reserves the right to accept or reject any or all applications without assigning any reason.

9.2 Any false information or forged documents shall lead to rejection and may result in legal action.

9.3 NCCF may suspend or cancel empanelment in case of violation of guidelines.

9.4 This EOI does not create any contractual relationship.

10. Submission of Application

Applications shall be submitted in sealed envelope superscribing:

"EOI – Empanelment under PSS (PM-AASHA) – Pulses Procurement"

Addressed to:

Branch Manager
NCCF, Kanpur Branch

Last Date for Submission: 16-03-2026

Late applications shall not be entertained.

11. Declaration

This EOI is issued in compliance with Government of India Letter dated 11.11.2025 and applicable PM-AASHA/PSS guidelines. All procurement operations shall be governed by Government instructions issued from time to time.


Branch Manager
NCCF, Kanpur
(Authorized Signatory)