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AGRICULTURAL GRANTS, GOODS AND SERVICES

The Farm Capital Grant (Variation) Scheme 1973

Made - - - -	20*th March* 1973
Laid before Parliament	21*st March* 1973
Coming into Operation	22*nd March* 1973

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State for Wales, acting jointly, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 28, 29 and 51(1) of the Agriculture Act 1970(**a**) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, with the approval of the Treasury, hereby make the following scheme:—

Citation, commencement, extent and interpretation

1.—(1) This scheme, which may be cited as the Farm Capital Grant (Variation) Scheme 1973, shall come into operation on 22nd March 1973 and shall apply to England and Wales and Northern Ireland.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(**b**) shall apply to the interpretation of this scheme as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Variation of the principal scheme

2. The Farm Capital Grant Scheme 1970(**c**), as varied(**d**), shall be further varied as follows:—

(*a*) by inserting immediately after the table in paragraph 1 of Schedule 3 thereto the following paragraph:—

" 1A. In the case of expenditure in respect of which application for approval for the purposes of a grant under this scheme is made on or after 22nd March 1973 the amount of any grant payable under this scheme towards expenditure in respect of any work or facility of a kind specified in paragraph 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9 or 17 of Schedule 2 or in respect of orchard grubbing shall be 20 per cent. of that expenditure, save that if in the opinion of the appropriate Minister any work or facility of a kind specified in paragraph 5, 6, 7 or 9 of Schedule 2 is for the benefit of hill land or of benefit in the farming of hill land, the amount of any grant payable under this scheme towards expenditure in respect of that work or facility shall be 50 per cent. of that expenditure.";

(*b*) by substituting in paragraph 6(1) of Schedule 3 thereto for the words " paragraph 1 of this Schedule " the words " paragraphs 1 and 1A of this Schedule ".

(**a**) 1970 c. 40. (**b**) 1889 c. 63. (**c**) S.I. 1970/1759 (1970 III, p. 5741).
(**d**) S.I. 1971/1077, 1972/368 (1971 II, p. 3210; 1972 I, p. 1444).

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 19th March 1973.

(L.S.)

Joseph Godber,

Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

Given under my hand on 20th March 1973.

Peter Thomas,

Secretary of State for Wales.

We approve.

20th March 1973.

Hugh Rossi,
P. L. Hawkins,

Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This Note is not part of the Scheme.*)

This Scheme, which applies to England and Wales and Northern Ireland, further varies the Farm Capital Grant Scheme 1970, as varied, so that the 30 per cent. rate of grant available under the Scheme towards expenditure on certain specified works and facilities is reduced to 20 per cent. if application is made on or after 22nd March 1973.

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