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# AGRICULTURE

## Sugar Beet

SCHEME, DATED 8TH FEBRUARY, 1966, MADE BY THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTION 1 OF THE AGRICULTURE (TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1954(a), AS AMENDED BY THE AGRICULTURE (TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE) (AMENDMENT) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1957(b).

The Minister of Agriculture with the approval of the Minister of Finance and in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by the Agriculture (Temporary Assistance) Acts (Northern Ireland) 1954 and 1957, and of all other powers him thereunto enabling, hereby makes the following Scheme:—

*Short title and commencement*

**1.**—(1) This Scheme may be cited as the Sugar Beet Development Scheme (Northern Ireland) 1966.

(2) This Scheme shall come into operation on the 9th day of February, 1966.

*Definitions*

**2.** In this Scheme the following terms have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them:—

"Farmer" means a person or corporate body owning and occupying agricultural land in Northern Ireland.

"Approved" means approved by the Ministry of Agriculture.

*General*

**3.** For the purpose of facilitating investigation of the factors affecting the growing of sugar beet on a commercial scale in Northern Ireland the Ministry may make payments by way of grants to approved farmers in accordance with the provisions of this Scheme.

*Applications*

**4.** Farmers who wish to participate in the growing of sugar beet under the terms of this Scheme shall apply to the Ministry in such form and at such time as the Ministry may by public notice direct.

*Provisional Approval*

**5.** The Ministry shall provisionally approve those applicants who—

(*a*) undertake to grow in the next succeeding season on land which is approved as suitable for the purpose such minimum acreage of sugar beet as the Ministry may for that season determine;

(*b*) reside in an area where in the Ministry's opinion facilities for the mechanised production and harvesting of the crop are likely to be available.

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(a) 1954. c. 31. (b) 1957. c. 3.