To
The Pay & Accounts Officer,
Ministry of Tribal Affairs,
Shastri Bhawan,
New Delhi-110001

Subject: Special Central Assistance for Tribal Sub-Plan (SCA to TSP) during 2013-14 to the State of Maharashtra - sanction of 1st installment (General-Recurring).

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India to the grant of Rs. 4288.00 lakh to the Government of Maharashtra towards creation of Capital assets under Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub plan (SCA to TSP) for the year 2013-14 and to the release of an amount of Rs. 32,16,00,000/- (Rupees thirty two crore sixteen lakh only) as 1st Installment of grant-in-aid for recurring activities.

2. You may please transfer the amount immediately to the Government of Maharashtra and advise RBI, CAS, Nagpur for crediting the above mentioned amount to the accounts of the State Government of Maharashtra in accordance with the procedure laid down in the Ministry of Finance's OM No. 2(45)/ 76-Spl. dated 30.8.1976 as modified by OM of even number dated 16.9.1976 under intimation to Programme Division of the Ministry.

3. Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub-Plan (SCA to TSP) is an additive to the Tribal Sub-Plan of the State. SCA to TSP is meant for filling up of the critical gaps to cover employment-cum-income generation activities and the infrastructure incidental thereto of family based and these of the Self-Help Groups/community and thus, raise the socio-economic level of the Schedule Tribes. The funds are to be expended in accordance with the revised guidelines issued by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs vide No.14020/5/2003-SG&C dated 02.05.2003 along with amendment dated 15.04.2005.

4. Para III (x) of the guidelines provides that before sanctioning the SCA to TSP, it is pre-requisite to formulate specific schemes/programmes that have a direct bearing on the economic development of Schedule Tribes as suitable to their social, economic and ecological situation. This provision has been further modified vide DO letter No. 14020/2/08-SG-I dated 30-1-2008. The proposals formulated by the State Government and submitted to this Ministry which conform to this requirement shall only be taken up for implementation. The State Government has submitted proposals vide its No. SCA-2012/CR-51/D-19 dated 06.06.2013 and the details of the activities
11. This sanction issues in exercise of the delegated powers in consultation with Integrated Finance Division vide their Diary No. 240/JS&FA/13 dated 23.08.2013.

12. Certified that this sanction has been noted at Sl.No. 27 in the Register of Grant.

Yours faithfully,

[A.K.Saha]
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