To

The Pay & Accounts Officer,
Ministry of Tribal Affairs,
Shastri Bhawan,
New Delhi-110115.

Subject: Release of Grants under Vanbandhu Kalyan Yojana (VKY) during 2015-16 to the State of Bihar as 1st installment for General Grant.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India for release of an amount of Rs. 2,50,00,000/- (Rupees Two Crore Fifty Lakh only) to the Government of Bihar as 1st installment of General Grant under Vanbandhu Kalyan Yojana (VKY) for the year 2015-16 to carry out the activities finalized with reference to the presentation made by the State in the meeting held at Shastri Bhawan on 24.09.2015 and as recorded in the proceedings of the meeting:-

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<th>S. No</th>
<th>Proposed Activity</th>
<th>Amount approved (in Lakhs)</th>
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<td>1.</td>
<td>Backyard fisheries/(to reduce Malaria to also promote composite fish culture in backyard)</td>
<td>50.00</td>
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<td>2.</td>
<td>FRA beneficiaries</td>
<td>25.00</td>
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<td>3.</td>
<td>Local Haat Bazaar improvement</td>
<td>50.00</td>
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<td>4.</td>
<td>To provide universal electricity</td>
<td>100.00</td>
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<td>5.</td>
<td>Tribal Medicines and ayurveda</td>
<td>25.00</td>
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<td>6.</td>
<td>Construction of community sanitary complexes in tribal areas – for toilet and bathing</td>
<td>10.00</td>
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<td>7.</td>
<td>To improve irrigation facilities for the villages suited to the local terrain</td>
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<td>To provide tubewell (Sarkarinaikup) irrigation support</td>
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<td>A</td>
<td>Total amount approved by the PAC to be released against above approved activities.</td>
<td>310.00</td>
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<td>B</td>
<td>General/Recurring Grant</td>
<td>250.00</td>
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<td>C</td>
<td>Non-Recurring Grant</td>
<td>60.00</td>
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<td>D</td>
<td>General Grant</td>
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2. The sanction of Rs. 2,50,00,000/- (Rupees Two Crore Fifty Lakh only) against above mentioned activities should be carried out while keeping in mind the observations of PAC as recorded in the minutes of the PAC meeting dated 24.09.2015.
3. You may please transfer the amount immediately to the Government of Bihar and advise RBI, CAS, Nagpur for crediting the above mentioned amount to the accounts of the State Government of Bihar 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.

4. No Grant was released during 2014-15.

5. The State Government is required to take action to transfer the funds received to respective ITDPs/ agencies. Progress Reports of the activities to be undertaken under VKY should be furnished to the Ministry on quarterly basis. Provisional utilization certificate in r/o General Grants may be furnished immediately after the end of the financial year 2015-16. A Certificate of actual utilization of the grants received for the purpose, for which it has been sanctioned, is to be furnished to the Ministry within 12 months as per provisions of GFR.

6. The State Government has to ensure that grant-in-aid is used for the purpose for which it is sanctioned after following due procedure and norms in vogue in a transparent manner and after obtaining all necessary clearances as required under the various Central/ State Acts, Rules, regulations, etc.

7. The sanction is subject to adherence of above stipulations and other provisions to be issued in this regards from time to time. The sanction is also subject to final adjustment on the basis of audited figures of expenditure.

8. The expenditure is debitable to the:

   Major Head '3601' - Grants-in-aid to State Governments
   Sub-major Head 03 - Grants for Central Plan Schemes
   Minor Head 796 - Tribal Area Sub-Plan
   08 - Welfare of Scheduled Tribes Education.
   07 - Van Bandhu Kalyan Yojana
   08.07.31 - Grants-in-aid-General (Charged)
   Demand No. - 98 for 2015-16 of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs

9. This sanction issues in exercise of the delegated powers in consultation with Integrated Finance Division vide Dy. No. 6105//JS & FA/2015 dated 01.10.2015

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

Yours faithfully,

(Nadeem Ahmad)
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Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:

1. Director of Audit, Central Revenues, AGCR Building, ITO, New Delhi.
2. The Accountant General, Bihar, Patna.
3. The Principal Secretary, Tribal & Social Welfare Department, Government of Bihar, Patna.
4. The Principal Secretary, Finance Deptt, Government of Bihar, Patna.
5. The Principal Secretary, Planning Department Government of Bihar, Patna.
6. The Resident Commissioner, Government of Bihar, Bihar Bhawan, New Delhi.
7. NITI Aayog, Plan Coordination, NITI Bhavan, ND.
8. NITI Aayog, BC Division, NITI Bhavan, ND.
9. NITI Aayog, SP Division, NITI Bhavan, ND.
10. Ministry of Finance (Deptt of Expenditure), PF-I Section, North Block, New Delhi.
11. Secretary, National Commission for STs, Lok Nayak Bhawan, ND.
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