Final installment

F.No. 11015/04(03)/2015-SG-II
Government of India
Ministry of Tribal Affairs

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110115
Dated: 17.03.2016

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

Subject: Release of Grant during 2015-16 to the State Government of Assam under Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub-Plan (SCA to TSP) as final installment for recurring grant.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India for release of an amount of ₹10,50,00,000/- (Rupees Ten Crore Fifty lakh Only), as final installment of general/recurring grant to the Government of Assam under Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub-Plan for the year 2015-16 to carry out the following activities as finalized/approved by the Project Appraisal Committee(PAC) in its meeting dated 27.04.2015 and revised proposal of Agriculture Development Programme and Dairy Development programme received from State Govt. vide their letter No.TAD/BC/98/2016/28 dated 25.2.2016:-

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<th>Programme Proposed</th>
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<td>1.</td>
<td>Skill Development Programmes:</td>
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<td>To provide training of about 6000 ST persons with the condition:</td>
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<td>(1800) to include tribal beneficiaries from all the Districts of Assam (Plane areas as well as Hill areas proportionately).</td>
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<td>(ii) to include following trades:</td>
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<td>(1800) Office Management (b) Solar Technician (c) Beautician (d) Handicraft I Skills required for day to day construction works (such as Plumbing, Mason, electrician, fitter, welder, carpenter) (f) Refrigeration and A/C repairing (g) Mobile repairing (h) Horticulture / Floriculture / Apiculture (i) Nutrition &amp; Cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) (j) Ayurvedic &amp; tribal medicines</td>
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(iii) 50% of the sanctioned amount be expended for ST girls / women.

(iv) At least 70% of the trainees should have placement within 3 months of completion of training programmes.

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<th>2. Dairy Development</th>
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<td>The State Govt. would ensure the following:--</td>
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<td>(i) The project would be implemented in coordination and convergence with funds available under the Animal Husbandry/Dairy Department in the State as a part of VKY strategy</td>
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<td>(ii) The amount is used for both plane and hill Districts of Assam State.</td>
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<th>3. Development of backyard poultry:--</th>
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<td>With the condition to arrange for State run hatcheries through ITDAs/ITDPs.</td>
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<th>4. Sustainable Livelihood, through Horticulture Cluster for Hill tribes people for Cacher, Hailakandi &amp; Karimganj District.</th>
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<td>(i) Horticulture programme for SHGs</td>
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<td>(ii) Setting up of nursery for SHGs.</td>
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The PAC approved an amount of ₹. 400.00 lakh as an additive with the condition to utilize the funds in convergence with the State TSP funds and Centrally Sponsored Schemes (for example: National Horticulture Mission) as a part of VKY strategy and include:

(i) Setting up of nurseries of fruits, flowers, vegetables through tribal beneficiaries with linkages to the market to enable them for sustainable income generation.

(ii) Growing and use of drum stick / beans / green leafy vegetables among the tribal people be promoted to help nutrition.

(iii) Promotion and practice of Kitchen Garden in the Government run tribal residential schools.

(iv) Promotion and practice of apiculture.

(v) Use of flowers for agarbatti manufacturing.

(vi) Cultivation of fodder like Napier.

(vii) Integrate Horticulture and vegetable growing activities with Dairy development programmes to utilize the organic manures for optimum results.

(viii) Disclosure of schemes through Gram Sabha.
5. Fishery development:
   - To be undertaken in convergence with the State TSP and Centrally Sponsored Schemes. Further the Committee advised:
     - To upgrade the existing potential water bodies to be utilized as fishery production units out of the funds under MGNREGS. For this the data supplied by NRSC, Department of Space should also be used.
     - To ensure proper hatcheries for production of spawns, fries, and fingerlings through State Run agencies. While production of spawns needs to be handled by State run agencies or large cooperatives, production of fingerlings should be promoted through tribal farms. This will also lead to upgradation of skills in fisheries in the local communities.
     - To ensure proper linkages to market value chain.
     - To provide training to the tribal beneficiaries.
     - Protocol issued with regard to fishery development, which is available on the official website of Ministry of Tribal Affairs be adhered to.

Agriculture Mechanization for providing Power Tillers, Tractors, Other Agriculture implements like pump-sets, spray machines, seeds, pesticides. Improved Agriculture Production for income Augmentation –

State Govt. would include:
- Developing TRI as the knowledge hub with regard to agricultural practices among tribal people, tribal medicinal plants and its uses, tribal foods and nutrition.
- TRI be augmented with subject experts (on hiring basis, if needed).
- Creation of Soil testing facility centre in TRI.
- Setting up of 24x7 helpline centre for providing information on suitable agricultural practices including traditional agriculture.
- Provision of training to tribal farmers through TRI in association with ITDAs and concerned Departments in soil testing, making of vermi compost, biogas plants, growing of off season vegetables, mushroom cultivation, floriculture, apiculture, horticulture, organic farming, seed growing and preservation thereof.
• Promotion and preservation of traditional culture handlooms & handicrafts.

• Growing and use of traditional food crops like minor millet in order to increase nutrition level among tribal beneficiaries.

• Distribution of seed, agriculture implements, bullock carts & plough bullock not approved out of SCA to TSP funds.

• Selection of location and beneficiaries be made in association with ITDA/ ITDPs / PRIs.

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<td>Total amount approved by PAC under Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub-Plan (SCA to TSP) for the year 2015-16</td>
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<td>B</td>
<td>Admissible grant for creation of capital assets (30% of ₹ 4500.00 lakh)</td>
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<td>C</td>
<td>Admissible general grant (70% of ₹ 4500.00 lakh)</td>
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<td>D</td>
<td>1st instalment for general grant already released vide letter of even No. date 29.9.2015</td>
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<td>E</td>
<td>Final instalment for general grant (C minus D)</td>
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2. No UC is due for rendition.

3. You are requested to advise RBI, CAS, Nagpur for crediting the above mentioned amount to the account of the Government of Assam in accordance with procedure laid down in the Ministry of Finance’s OM No. 2(45)/ 76-Spl Cell dated 30.8.1976 as modified by OM of even number dated 16.9.1976.

4. The expenditure to the tune of ₹10,50,00,000/- (Rupees Ten Crore Fifty lakh Only) is debitable to the:

   Major Head ‘3601’ - Grants-in-aid to State Governments
   Sub-major Head 02 - Grants for State Plan Schemes
   Minor Head 796 - Tribal Area Sub-Plan
   02 - Welfare of Scheduled Tribes – Grants under Proviso to Article 275 (1) of the Constitution.
   01 - Scheme under Tribal Sub-Plan (Charged)
   02.01.31 - Grants in-aid - General (Charged)
   Demand No. - 98 for 2015-16 of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs

5. The entire assistance is subject to adjustment on the basis of the audited figures of expenditure for the State Annual Plan 2015-16.

6. The State Government will implement the projects within the amount released by the Ministry during 2015-16 and keeping in view the spirit of the provisions contained under Operational Guidelines for formulation, implementation and monitoring of TSP
and Article 275(1) funds, issued by Ministry of Tribal Affairs during March, 2014 and Revised Guidelines for Implementation of TSP issued by erstwhile Planning Commission during June 2014 and other relevant instructions issued from time to time.

7. The State Government will adhere to the instructions contained in the minutes of PAC meetings pertaining the State(s) concerned scrupulously. A copy of the projects implemented by the State Government is required to be sent to the Ministry. The State Government would ensure that:

   i. construction component of the project is based on the schedule of rates of CPWD/PWD or any other scheduled of rates approved by a competent authority.

   ii. project(s) has the clearance of the State Government from the technical / financial / administrative angles.

8. The State Government is to transfer fund immediately within 30 days to the project implementing agencies and a copy of the fund transfer order may also be sent to this Ministry. It may be ensured that the grants are used for the purpose for which they are sanctioned after following the due procedure in a transparent manner and obtaining all necessary clearances as required under the various Central/State Acts, Rules and Regulations etc.

9. The progress reports of every quarter should be furnished indicating the physical and financial progress as per prescribed format already circulated. A Certificate of actual utilization of the grants received for the purpose for which it was received, may be furnished to the Ministry within 12 months of the closure of the financial year by the State Government.

10. This sanction issues in exercise of the delegated powers in consultation with Integrated Finance of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs vide their No. 6058/JS&FA/2015 dated 15.03.2016.

11. Certified that this sanction has been noted at S. No. ......... in the register of grants.

Yours faithfully,

(Nadeem Ahmad)
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Tel: 2307 3708
Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:-

1. Director of Audit, Central Revenues, AGCR Building, ITO, New Delhi.
2. Accountant General, Assam, Guwahati.
3. (a) The Secretary, Department of Welfare of Plains Tribes & BCs, Govt of Assam, Guwahati.
   (b) The Principal Secretary, Finance Department, Government of Assam, Guwahati
   (c) The Principal Secretary, Planning Department, Government of Assam, Guwahati
   (d) The Resident Commissioner, Government of Assam, Assam Bhawan, New Delhi.
4. Niti Aayog, Plan Coordination, Niti Bhawan, New Delhi.
5. Niti Aayog, BC Division, Niti Bhawan, New Delhi.
6. Niti Aayog, SP Division, Niti Bhawan, New Delhi.
7. Director, PF-I Section, Ministry of Finance (Deptt. of Expenditure), North Block, New Delhi.
8. The Secretary, National Commission for STs, Lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi.
9. JS (SG)/DS (IFD)/NIC/ Hindi Section/ Folder

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