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**(NGO Division)**

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Principal Secretary/ Secretary  
Tribal/ Social Welfare Department

All State Governments

(As per list enclosed)

**Sub: Restriction of funding for activities / projects to Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs)/ Voluntary Organizations (VOs) under scheme "Grants-in-Aid to VOs working for welfare of STs" by Ministry of Tribal Affairs for 2016-17 and onwards.**

Sir,

Kindly refer to this Ministry's communications of even number dated 18.07.2016 and 07.02.2017 on the above mentioned subject. It has been decided that the restriction on funding for activities/projects indicated therein stands withdrawn with immediate effect.

2. This has the approval of Competent Authority.

Yours faithfully,

  
( Reema Sharma )  
23/5/17

**Under Secretary to the Govt. of India**  
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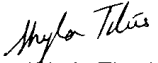
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Subject: - Restriction of funding for activities/ projects to Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) Voluntary Organizations (VOs) under scheme " Grants -in-Aid to VOs working for welfare of STs " by Ministry of Tribal Affairs" –Reg.

Sir/Madam,

Please refer to this Ministry's communication of even number dated 18.07.2016 (copy enclosed) on the above mentioned subject. It has now been decided with the approval of the Competent Authority that the restriction of funding for activities/projects to NGOs under the scheme of " Grants-in-Aid to VOs working for welfare of STs" as indicated in the said communication will become effective from the fiscal year 2017-18 instead of 2016-17 as mentioned therein.

2. State Governments may accordingly, consider, recommend and forward proposals of NGOs to this Ministry for funding for 2016-17 as per existing scheme guidelines.

  
(Shyla Titus)

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Sir,

Scheme of "Grant-in-Aid to VOs working for welfare of STs" presently funded by Ministry of Tribal Affairs has been analyzed for making it more outcome oriented. Accordingly, it has been decided to restrict funding under existing scheme to three sectors only i.e. Education, Health and Vocational Training / Livelihood support activities.

2.1 In Education Sector it has been observed that consequent to Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) and Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) schemes of Government there are enough Primary & Upper Primary Schools in Government sector alone. Hence from now onwards funding of NGOs would be limited only to Secondary and Higher Secondary level schools. Funding for following activities on Education Sector would accordingly be discontinued:

- i) Elementary Education (Primary and Upper Primary) Residential / Non-Residential Schools
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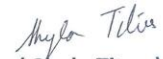
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5. Accordingly, NGOs will no longer be funded for following activities:
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6. State Government are accordingly requested to keep above changes in mind while recommending and forwarding proposals of NGOs to this Ministry for funding for 2016-17 and onwards.

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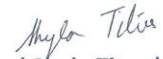
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