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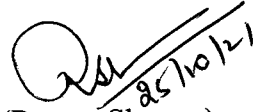
To,
Principal Secretary/ Secretary/ Commissioner, Tribal/ Social Welfare Department,
Government of Mizoram.

Subject: Minutes of the meeting of the APEX Committee held on 28.09.2021 under the Chairmanship of Secretary (TA), Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.

Sir/Madam

I am directed to refer to the captioned subject and to forward herewith a copy of minutes of the meeting of the APEX Committee held on 28.09.2021 under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of Tribal Affairs in Conference Room through VC for consideration of proposals of Tribal Research and Training Institute of Mizoram under the scheme, "Support to TRIs" for the year 2021-22.

Yours faithfully,


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- iv. Dir(TRI), Mizoram

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Minutes of Apex Committee Meeting dated 28.09.2021

A meeting of the Apex Committee was held on 28.09.2021 under the chairpersonship of Secretary, Ministry of Tribal Affairs to appraise and approve the proposals for FY 2021-22 submitted by the Tribal Research Institute of **Mizoram** for funding under the scheme 'Support to TRI'. The following officers were present:

Ministry of Tribal Affairs

1. Sh. Anil Kumar Jha, Secretary (Tribal Affairs)
2. Sh. Biswajit Das, DDG, MoTA
3. Ms. Yatinder Prasad, JS(FA)
4. Dr. Muniraju SB, Deputy Adviser, NITI Aayog
5. Sh. Rajender Kumar, Director (TRI)
6. Ms. Reema Sharma, Under Secretary (TRI)

State Representative

1. Ms. Aileen Vanlalzawni, Director
2. Ms. C. Zodinpuui, Deputy Director

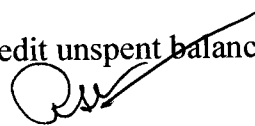
2. At the outset, Director (TRI) welcomed all the participants. Thereafter, JS &FA put forth procedure for release of funds to State Government under Centrally Sponsored schemes and emphasised on its strict compliance by all TRIs. She elaborated on the following:

(i) All State Governments have to mandatorily designate a Single Nodal Agency (SNA) for each Centrally Sponsored Scheme.

(ii) To open SNA account in a Commercial bank and all government business has to be carried through SNA account, which is required to be mapped on PFMS

(iii) State Governments have to credit grants received from the Ministry to SNA and not more than 25% of funds can be released in one instance.

(iv) All implementing agencies (IAs) have to credit unspent balance to SNA account.



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(v) All State TRIs to strictly comply with the above procedure and designate SNAs and open account on priority. It was further specified by JS&FA that no funds would be released if SNA accounts are not opened and mapped with PFMS by State TRIs.

(vi) In case any activity is not initiated in a year for which it was approved then State TRI can place it in the next financial year before the Apex Committee for its approval during that year.

3. State representative informed that they have opened the SNA account. The Committee advised to link the account with PFMS.

4. Representative from NITI Aayog highlighted that State TRIs may get themselves converted into registered societies. He further stated that wherever issues are being faced by State TRIs in switching into society mode the same would be taken up by NITI Aayog in the Chief Minister's Conference.

5. Secretary (TA) advised State TRIs on the following:

(i) TRIs should share in advance the dates of tribal festivals, workshops, seminars, craft mela, inauguration of TRI building, museum proposed to be organized under India@75 Azadi ka Amrut Mahotsav (AKAM) for wider participation and share photographs and audio-visuals for records while uploading the same in Tribal repository.

(ii) Whenever any festival is organized by State TRI then the theme and form of the dance, location of performance and its cultural significance, instruments used etc, should be made a part of the repository of the State as well as Ministry. It was further advised to rationalize activities for Azadi ka Amrut Mahotsav (AKAM).

6. The Committee considered project proposals submitted by the State for the year 2021-22 and following decisions were made:

Committed Liabilities:

6.1 (i) Committed Liability of previous years:

Committed Liability during 2021-22

(Rs. In Lakh)						
S. No.	Project	Year of first Approval	MoTA's Support	Amount Already Released	Amount for release during	Remarks

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					2021-22	
1.	Construction of Tribal Freedom Fighter Museum	2019-20	1500.00	700.00	500.00	TRI to submit progress report on priority. On receipt of UC, release will be considered.
2	Regular TRI Activities	2020-21	275.00	130.00	145.00	TRI advised to complete the sanctioned proposals expeditiously.
	Total				645.00	

6.1(ii) New Proposals

(Rs. In Lakh)

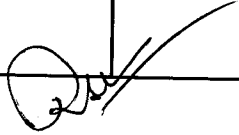
S. N.	Activities	Amount sought	Amount approved	Amount to be released as Ist Installment	Remarks /Decision /Discussion
	PROJECT PROPOSALS 2021 - 2022 UNDER 'SUPPORT TO TRI'				
I.	Training and Capacity Building				
1	Painting competition and showcasing	20.00	20.00	20.00	Approved
2	Tribal dance hunt activities in tribal dance	22.00	22.00	22.00	Approved
II.	Tribal festivals and Audio Video Documentation of Tribal Freedom Fighters				
3	State level tribal dance festival. (AKAM)	15.00	15.00	15.00	Approved
4	Tribal Craft Festival (AKAM)	15.00	15.00	15.00	Approved The craft melas should not be organized as one-time event. Such melas should

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					provide livelihood opportunities and sustainability for tribal youths and artisans. These melas should be organized on a larger scale at National level. States should involve TRIFED and State Development Commissioner for Handicrafts who have database of artisans with Aadhar number so that artisans get assistance in getting funds and they are promoted for marketing linkages.
5	Documentary on Audio-Video short film on 5 Mizo freedom fighters (AKAM)	3.65	3.65	3.65	Approved
6	Documentation of Mizo Freedom Fighters: mizo Raids and Counter Military Offensive (AKAM)	25.00	25.00	25.00	Approved
7	Publication of biographical booklet of five mizo freedom fighters during the colonial resistance (AKAM)	1.00	1.00	1.00	Approved


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III.	Museum Management & Maintenance and Related Activities				
8	Digital repository of primers in tribal languages in Mizoram.	16.00	5.00	5.00	Approved
IV.	TRIBAL EXCHANGE VISIT (AKAM)				
9	Outside the state (Male-20, Female-11, Unit cost-48,387.10)	15.00	15.00	15.00	Approved
	Grant Total	132.65	121.65	121.65	

Total amount approved for release during 2021-22:

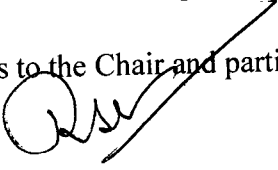
(in lakhs)

A	Committed Liability of FY 2019-20 (museum) & 2020-21	645.00
B	New proposals approved by Apex Committee	121.65
C	Total amount approved for FY 2021-22 towards 1 st installment of grant	121.65
D	Total amount approved for release of 1 st installment during FY 2021-22 for the sanctioned projects [A+C]	766.65

Note: New proposals not approved / deferred by APEX committee are at Annexure-I.

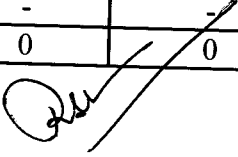
7. Funds to be released to the State Govt. subject to furnishing of Utilization Certificate and Physical Progress Report as per rules. Review will be done for the State to assess actual progress of projects sanctioned up to FY 2021-22. The 2nd installment to be released after the project approved by committee is started and progress is uploaded on the portal. TRIs should share in advance the dates of tribal festivals, workshops, seminars, craft mela, inauguration of TRI building, museum proposed to be organized under India@75 Azadi ka Amrut Mahotsav (AKAM) for wider participation and share photographs and audio-visuals for records while uploading the same in Tribal repository. All audios, videos and photographs of music, dance and cultural festival to be uploaded on adi-kalakar portal (www.adikalakar.tribal.gov.in).

8. The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair and participants.


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Annexure I

S.No.	Activities	Amount sought	Amount approved	Amount to be released as Ist Installment	Remarks /Decision /Discussion
	PROJECT PROPOSALS 2021 - 2022 UNDER 'SUPPORT TO TRI'				
I.	Research and Evaluation Project				
1	Research and development of Medicinal Plants	20.00	-	-	Deferred. TRI advised to provide details of research protocol & associate agencies.
2	Research and development (Study and documentation) of native orchids in Mizoram	30.02	-	-	-Do-
3	Collection and documentation of Mizo traditional sports and games.	12.68	0	0	Not approved
4	Documentation and preservation of endangered Mizo traditional folk songs which are vulnerable to extinction.	31.27	0	0	Not approved
II.	Tribal festivals and Audio Video Documentation of Tribal Freedom Fighters				
5	Pawlkut	50.00	-	-	Deferred. TRI advised to provide detailed budget and State commitment for the event.
6	Boisu	20.00	-	-	-Do-
7	Hodaigiri	30.00	-	-	-Do-
8	Portraits of 5 Mizo Freedom Fighters (AKAM)	10.00	0	0	Not approved
III.	TRIBAL EXCHANGE VISIT (AKAM)				
9	Inside the state	-	-	-	
	Grant Total	203.97	0	0	


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