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Government of India
Ministry of Tribal Affairs
(STWG Division)

August Kranti Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated: 27.02.2019

To,
(As per list attached)

Subject: Minutes of the meeting of the Project Appraisal Committee held on 11.02.2019 with Government of Bihar, at the Conference Room, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.

Sir,

Please find enclosed herewith minutes of the meeting of the Project Appraisal Committee (PAC) held on 11.02.2019 at Conference Room, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi, to consider the proposals of Government of **Bihar** in respect of Grants under Article 275(1) of the Constitution of India, Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Scheme (SCA to TSS) and scheme of Development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) of the Ministry for the year 2019-20.

Yours faithfully,



(P K Sahoo)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

Encls: As above

List of Addressees

1. Secretary, D/o Rural Development, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
2. Secretary, D/o School Education and Literacy, M/o Human Resource Development, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
3. Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers' Welfare, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
4. Secretary, Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries
5. Secretary, Department of Health & Family Welfare, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi
6. Secretary (DARE) & Director General (ICAR), Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
7. Adviser, Social Justice Division, NITI Aayog, New Delhi
8. Principal Secretary / Secretary / Commissioner, Tribal / Social Welfare Department Government of Bihar.

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Minutes of Project Appraisal Committee (PAC) Meeting dated 11.02.2019 in respect of Bihar (2019-20)

PAC meeting was held on 11.02.2019 for appraisal of proposals of Government of **Bihar** for funding under Grants under Article 275(1) of the Constitution of India, Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Scheme (SCA to TSS) and scheme of Development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs). The following officers were present:

Ministry of Tribal Affairs

1. Secretary TA (PAC Chairman), Sh. Deepak Khandekar
2. Joint Secretary (A), Sh. Vinod Kumar Tiwari
3. Joint Secretary, Sh. Naval Jit Kapoor
4. Director (STWG), Sh. Gopal Sadhwani
5. Director (Fin.), Ms. Nivedita
6. Director (TRI), Sh. Anil Kumar Addepally
7. Under Secretary (Grants), Sh. P.K. Sahoo
8. Under Secretary (TSP), Sh. Nadeem Ahmad

Other Central Ministries / Departments

1. Under Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development, Shri S.B. Tiwari.
2. Sr. Consultant, National Health Mission, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Ms Sumitha Chalil.
3. Consultant, National Health Mission, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Shri Jayendra Kasar.

Government of Bihar

1. Director, SC & ST Welfare Department, Shri Mithilesh Kumar .
2. Deputy Director, SC & ST Welfare Department, Shri Harendra Kumar Srivastava.
2. The Committee was apprised about the funds allocated to the State of **Bihar** by Ministry of Tribal Affairs (MoTA), under Article 275(1) grants, SCA to TSS and PVTGs scheme, which are as follows:

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| (i) | Grants under Article 275(1) | : Rs. 1518.69 lakh |
| (iii) | SCA to TSS | : Rs. 1152.06 lakh |
| (iv) | PVTG scheme | : Rs. 250.00 lakh |

3. PAC advised the representative of Government of **Bihar** as follows:

3.1 The State must adhere to the following:

- (i) At least one-third of the total beneficiaries should be women / girls.
- (ii) There should be no duplication with any intervention by other State/ Central Departments.
- (iii) Norms of concerned Line Ministries of Central Government or those of concerned State Department as applicable, may be followed (eg. PWD SoR, NSQF etc).



- (iv) Beneficiaries should be selected in a transparent manner. List of beneficiaries with their address and amount of benefit should be uploaded on the website of the State Government but the Bank Account Number, Aadhar Number, Mobile Number etc. should not be uploaded due to security and privacy concerns.
- (v) Time limit for completion of all new construction projects / works should be adhering to GFR norms.
- (vi) Progress Report and pending UCs of the funds provided under these schemes may be furnished urgently.
- (vii) A good monitoring and evaluation system may be put in place. Impact studies and concurrent evaluation on sample basis should be carried out.
- (viii) State Government is requested to submit Detailed Project Report (DPR) where applicable and certificates with regard to the following:
 - (a) Confirmation of approval of these proposals by State level Executive Committee.
 - (b) Availability of land in case of construction projects.
 - (c) Preparation of cost estimates on the basis of SoR/ Norms of line Departments/ State Governments.
 - (d) Already released funds during 2018-19 are transferred to implementing agencies.
 - (e) Physical Progress has been uploaded in the Ministry's website.

3.2 State must ensure the following:

- i. State Tribal Sub-Plan (TSP) funds should be in proportion to the ST population percentage of the State w.r.t. the total State population. The allocated funds be fully utilized.
- ii. It may be ensured that tribal sub-plan funds are utilized with proper convergence with the line departments in the State and periodic review of the expenditure may be done by the Executive Committee to avoid last minutes diversion of TSP funds.
- iii. State Government to monitor the utilisation of State TSP funds alongwith TSP funds available with the line Ministries. The Secretaries of the line Department should also brief the Chief Secretary in the States about the activities undertaken under TSP funds of that department. TDD should be the nodal department for this purpose.
- iv. State Government to consider enacting law for planning, allocation and utilization of financial resources under TSP in line with that of Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh.
- v. State Government to focus on saturating health infrastructure, availability of drinking water, provision of housing, electrification, road connectivity, toilets, mobile and internet facilities, insurance benefits etc. in coordination with State line Departments and concerned union Ministries.
- vi. State Governments should take advantage of the funds available under various schemes of Central Ministries dedicatedly meant for tribal development. Details of such schemes be accessed at <http://stcmis.gov.in>
- vii. State to ensure proper awareness of various developmental schemes/ programmes among tribals through Panchayati Raj Institutions. Incentive based involvement of Anganwadi workers and schools students (in vacations) can be considered for this purpose.
- viii. States to conserve germ plasm particularly against genetic dilution due to cross-breeding or breed improvement or development of new variety or similar other interventions. This is with a view to preserve (*in situ*) indigenous and endemic farm and off farm flora and fauna.



- ix. Functioning of Ashram Schools and hostels may be monitored regularly so as to ensure that these institutions run properly and efficiently. In the educational institutions, the students get the textbooks etc. at the beginning of the academic session itself.
- x. Screening for sickle cell for all children may be completed on priority.
- xi. Assessment may be made in woman trafficking prone areas and various development initiatives to overcome the situation must be taken up.
- xii. Activities related to sanitation and drinking water are also a part of Swachhta Action Plan (SAP).

3.3 The recurring cost of EMRS per student has been increased substantially. State is to ensure that :

- i. Funds for recurring expenditure of the EMRSs should be immediately transferred to the schools.
- ii. Tracking of students from EMRSs may be done for further policy/ interventions.
- iii. Student/Teaching ratio as per RTE norms with particularly emphasis of availability of English, Science and Maths teachers.
- iv. Study materials, uniforms (including customized climatic clothing for hilly areas;
- v. Proper sports facilities;
- vi. Medical facilities including telemedicine and tie up with prominent hospitals in the vicinity and periodic check of students. Facilities for diagnostic and remedial medical needs of tribal children (e.g. Sickle Cell Anaemia, Tuberculosis, Malaria etc.) will be ensured where-ever possible. Special Nutritional requirements and provisions of menstrual hygiene (sanitary pads, incinerator, etc.) of girl students will be a priority. Provision of adequate filtered and purified drinking water and sanitation facilities to be ensured. RO systems in sufficient number to be installed at academic and hostel blocks;
- vii. Extra coaching for weak students and also focus on coaching for specific subjects like English, Mathematics, Science;
- viii. Design of curriculum to impart suitable skills in collaboration with Ministry of Skill Development. Scouts, Guides, NCC, School bands and related activities will be encouraged as also extra-curricular activities like dance, music, painting, trekking, excursions / exposure visits, study tours will be a part of the curriculum;
- ix. Coaching classes for competitive / entrance examinations in engineering, medical, humanities, journalism, fashion technology and other professional courses to ensure that after 12th students enter into professional streams.
- x. Cleaning and white washing of the premises at regular intervals. Ensuring no seepages/leakages;
- xi. Maintenance of Hygiene, cleaning/mopping of the whole building daily;
- xii. Special Cleanliness drives;
- xiii. Developing Kitchen gardens;
- xiv. Water harvesting mechanism should be developed.

4. Details of proposals and decisions of PAC with regard to proposal of Government of Bihar under Grants under Article 275(1) of the Constitution, Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub-Scheme (SCA to TSS) and Development of PVTGs scheme are as under:



4.1. Article 275(1) proposals for the year 2019-20:

4.1.1. Committed Liability

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl. No.	Activity	Location	Total funds approved	Funds already released	Funds Sought during 2019-20	Remarks
1	Construction of 100 seated hostels in 5 Govt. ST residential Schools (sanction in 2017-18) Released during 2017-18 = 100.00 lakh	Bhabhua, Rohtas, Jamui, Katihar, Purnia	700.00	100.00	600.00	PAC approved Rs. 600.00 lakh. No further committed liabilities.
2	Approved activities during 2018-19		1393.52	0.00	1393.52	State Government to submit pending UCs/PPR for consideration of release of this grants.
	Total=		2093.52	100.00	1993.52	Rs. 600.00 lakh

4.1.2. New Proposals:

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl. No.	Name of the proposed activities	Location	Amount sought during 2019-20	Remarks.
1	Recurring Grants for EMRS students			State Government stated that this EMRS shall be functional from the academic year 2019-20. PAC approved the activity in principle. However, the funds will be released upon the submission of certificate regarding starting of the EMRS during 2019-20 with number of students.
	Total=			Nil

Total amount approved for release during 2019-20 :
 Committed Liability of previous years :Rs. 600.00 Lakh
 New proposals : Nil
Total : Rs. 600.00 Lakh

5.1 SCA to TSS Proposal for the year 2019-20:

The Committee expressed concern over the poor pace of expenditure and non-submission of UC and PPR leading non-release of allocated fund during 2018-19. It was urged that the unspent funds lying with the State be expended expeditiously for the purposes for which it was sanctioned.

Following proposals were considered in the meeting and decision taken as mentioned against each:

5.1.1 Committed Liabilities for 2019-20:

(Rs. in lakh)							
S. No.	Activities	Year of first approval	Location	Total Project Estimate	Amount Already Released	Amount sought for 2019-20	Remarks
1.	Balance amount against approved activities during 2016-17	2016-17	-	1423.76	743.74	680.02	Pending UC and PPR be submitted without further delay.
2.	Construction of additional 200-seater hostels in newly constructed Govt. ST residential school (3 units).	2018-19	West Champaran	1350.00	---	0.00	The project is still a non-starter, as no fund could be released to State due to want of pending UC and PPR.
Total=						680.02	Rs. 680.02 lakh

5.1.2. New Proposal:

(Rs. in lakh)				
S. No.	Activities	Location	Amount Sought for 2019-20	Remarks
1	Construction of additional 100 seated hostels in existing 4 Govt. residential Schools. No. of units:4 @517.27 lakh/unit	Kaimur, Jamui & Rohtas Districts	2193.76	An amount of Rs. 500.00 lakh approved for construction of two 100 seater residential schools (@ Rs. 250.00 lakh per school). Release of funds will be subject to submission of previous years' Utilization Certificate with progress report(s).
Total=			2193.76	Rs. 500.00 lakh

Total amount approved for release during 2019-20:	
Committed Liability of previous years:	Rs. 680.02 lakhs
New proposals:	Rs. 500.00 lakhs
Total:	Rs. 1180.02 lakhs

5.1.3 Committed Liabilities being carried forward to 2020-21: Nil.



6.1 CCD Proposal for PVTGs for the year 2019-20:

6.1.1 Committed liabilities: Nil.

6.1.2 New proposals:

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl. No.	Name of the proposed activities	Location	Amount sought during 2019-20	Remarks
1	Distribution of E-Rickshaw for PVTGs family 200 unit @ Rs. 2.00 lakh	Banka, Katihar, Madhepura, Punia, Supal, Gaya, Kaimur, Nawada & Bhagalpur Distt.	400.00	PAC has directed that the scheme should be widely publicized among PVTGs and the selection of beneficiaries should be transparent. The process of selection should be shared with the Ministry. PAC approved Rs. 250.00 lakh . No further committed liability.
	Total=			Rs. 250.00 lakh

Amount approved for release during 2019-20 : Rs. 250.00 lakh (All New activities)

6.1.3 Committed Liabilities being carried forward to 2020-21: Nil

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

