

No. 14020/8(17)/2013-SG-II  
Government of India  
Ministry of Tribal Affairs

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Shastri Bhawan,  
New Delhi-110001  
Date: 22.08.2013

To

The Pay & Accounts Officer,  
Ministry of Tribal Affairs,  
Shastri Bhawan,  
New Delhi-110001

**Subject:** Special Central Assistance for Tribal Sub-Plan (SCA to TSP) for 2013-14 to the State of Sikkim - sanction of 1<sup>st</sup> installment. (General-Recurring Grant)


Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India to the grant of Rs. 437.00 lakh to the Government of Sikkim towards Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub plan (SCA to TSP) for the year 2013-14 and to the release of an amount of Rs. 3, 27, 75,000/- (Rupees three crore twenty seven lakh seventy five thousand only) for undertaking activities mentioned in Para 4 below, as 1<sup>st</sup> installment of grant-in-aid (General-Recurring) for 2013-14.

2. You may please transfer the amount immediately to the Government of Sikkim and advise RBI, CAS, Nagpur for crediting the above mentioned amount to the accounts of the State Government of Sikkim 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.

3. Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub-Plan (SCA to TSP) is an additive to the Tribal Sub-Plan of the State. SCA to TSP is meant for filling up of the critical gaps to cover employment-cum-income generation activities and the infrastructure incidental thereto of family based and these of the Self-Help Groups/community and thus, raise the socio-economic level of the Schedule Tribes. The funds are to be expended in accordance with the revised guidelines issued by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs vide No.14020/5/2003-SG&C dated 02.05.2003 alongwith amendment dated 15.04.2005.

4. Para III (x) of the guidelines provides that before sanctioning the SCA to TSP, it is pre-requisite to formulate specific schemes/ programmes that have a direct bearing on the economic development of Schedule Tribes as suitable to their social, economic and ecological situation. This provision has since been further modified in a limited way, vide DO letter No. 14020/2/08-SG-I dated 30-01-2008. The proposals formulated by the State Government and submitted

  
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to this Ministry which conform to this requirement shall be taken up for implementation. The State Government has submitted proposals vide its DO letter No.49 Pr.Secy/SJEW/WD, dated 26.07.2013 and the details of the activities approved for funding under this sanction, alongwith amount approved for release is as 1<sup>st</sup> Installment as follows:

		(Rs. in lakh)
Sl. No.	Activities	Amount sanctioned
1	Watershed based income generating programmes	131.00
2	Horticulture	131.00
3	Animal husbandry	131.00
4	Skill development, Entrepreneurship training, supply of raw materials, promotion of handlooms & handicrafts	44.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>437.00</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> installment for 2013-14 to be released= Rs.327.75 lakh</b>		

5. No UC is due for rendition for funds released for years upto 2012-13.
6. The State Government is required to take action to transfer the funds received to respective ITDPs/ agencies. The amount meant for the programmes of MADA, Clusters, Dispersed tribals and Primitive Tribal Groups (PTGs) are to be spent in proportion to the ST population under each programme as provided in part III of the guidelines of SCA to TSP. No part of the SCA should be released directly to any Department at the State level. However, transfer of funds to implementing departments/ agencies, if required, should be done through the ITDPs.
7. State Government is to ensure release of funds to ITDPs/ implementing agencies within one month of receipt of funds. Progress Reports of the SCA to TSP may be furnished to the Ministry in the prescribed format already circulated along with the guidelines. 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 of the receipt of the funds.
8. The State Government has to ensure that the grant-in-aid is used for the purpose for which it is sanctioned after following due procedure in a transparent manner and after obtaining all necessary clearances as required under the various Central/ State Acts, Rules, regulations, etc. In case of construction of infrastructure facilities, norms and Schedule of Rates (SOR) fixed by the State Government should be followed.
9. The sanction is subject to final adjustment on the basis of audited figures of expenditure.
10. The expenditure is debitable to the :

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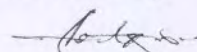
Major Head '3601'	-	Grants-in-aid to State Governments,
Sub-major Head '02'	-	Grants for State Plan Schemes,
Minor-Head '796'	-	Tribal Area Sub-Plans.
01	-	Welfare of Scheduled Tribes-Grants under Proviso to Article 275(1) of the Constitution.
01	-	Scheme under Tribal Sub-Plan (charged).
01.01.31	-	Grants-in-aid-General (charged).
Demand No.	-	95 for 2013-14 of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs.

11. The payment of Rs. 3,27,75,000/- (Rupees three crore twenty seven lakh seventy five thousand only) to the Government of Sikkim will be made by a Demand Draft in favour of Secretary, Department of Finance, Government of Sikkim, Gangtok. The Drawing & Disbursing Officer of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs will present a bill for Rs. 3,27,75,000/- (Rupees three crore twenty seven lakh seventy five thousand only) to the Pay & Accounts Officer, Ministry of Tribal Affairs to enable him to issue the Demand Draft.

12. This sanction issues in exercise of the delegated powers in consultation with Integrated Finance Division vide their Diary No. 388/JS&FA/13 dated 14.08.2013.

13. Certified that this sanction has been noted at Sl.No. <sup>19</sup> in the Register of Grant.

Yours faithfully,



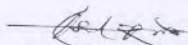
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(b) The Secretary, Finance Department, Government of Sikkim, Gangtok  
(c) The Secretary, Planning Department, Government of Sikkim, Gangtok  
(d) The Resident Commissioner, Government of Sikkim, Sikkim House, New Delhi.
4. (a) Planning commission, Plan Coordination, Yojana Bhavan, New Delhi.  
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5. Ministry of Finance (Deptt. of Expenditure), P.F. - I Section, North Block, New Delhi.
6. Secretary, National Commission for STs, Lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi.
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