To

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


Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India for release of an amount of Rs.7,50,00,000/- (Rupees Seven Crore Fifty Lakh only), as 1st installment to the Government of Maharashtra under Vanbandhu Kalyan Yojana (VKY) for the year 2014-15.

2. You may please transfer the amount immediately to the Government of Maharashtra and advise RBI, CAS, Nagpur for crediting the above mentioned amount to the accounts of the State Government of Maharashtra 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. Activities to be included under VKY shall broadly cover the following as per the need of the tribal people / tribal area:-

   I. Qualitative and sustainable employment.
   II. Emphasis on quality education and higher education.
   III. Accelerated economic development of tribal areas.
   IV. Health for all.
   V. Housing for all.
   VI. Safe drinking water for all at doorsteps.
   VII. Irrigation facilities suited to the terrain.
   VIII. All weather roads with connectivity to the nearby town/cities.
   IX. Universal availability of electricity.
   X. Urban development.
   XI. Promotion of sports in the tribal areas
   XII. Promotion and preservation of tribal culture and heritage
   XIII. Robust institutional mechanism to roll the vehicle of development with sustainability.
4. No UC is due for rendition.

5. The State Government is required to take action to transfer the funds received to respective ITDPs/ agencies. Progress Reports of the activities to be undertaken under VKY should be furnished to the Ministry on quarterly basis. 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 as per provisions of GFR.

6. The State Government has to ensure that 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.

7. The sanction is subject to adherence of above stipulations and other provisions to be issued in this regards from time to time. The sanction is also subject to final adjustment on the basis of audited figures of expenditure.

8. The expenditure is debitable to the:

   Major Head ‘3601’ - Grants-in-aid to State Governments
   Sub-major Head 03 - Grants for Central Plan Schemes
   Minor Head 796 - Tribal Area Sub-Plan
   08 - Welfare of Scheduled Tribes.
   07 - Van Bandhu Kalyan Yojana
   08.07.31 - Grants-in-aid-General (Charged)
   Demand No. - 97 for 2014-15 of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs


10. Certified that this sanction has been noted at Sl.No.... in the Register of Grant.

Yours faithfully,

(Nadeem Ahmad)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
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Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:

1. Director of Audit, Central Revenues, AGCR Building, I.T.O., New Delhi.
2. Accountant General, Maharashtra, Mumbai.
   (a) The Principal Secretary, Tribal & Social Welfare Department, Government of Maharashtra, Mumbai.
   (b) The Principal Secretary, Finance Department, Government of Maharashtra
   (c) The Principal Secretary, Planning Department, Government of Maharashtra, Mumbai
   (d) The Resident Commissioner, Government of Maharashtra, Maharashtra Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. (a) Planning commission, Plan Coordination, Yojana Bhavan, New Delhi.
4. (b) Planning Commission, B.C. Division, Yojana Bhavan, New Delhi.
5. (c) Planning Commission, S.P. Division, Yojana Bhavan,, New Delhi.
6. Ministry of Finance (Deptt. of Expenditure), P.F. - I Section, North Block, New Delhi
7. Secretary, National Commission for STs, Lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi.
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