To

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

Subject: Release of funds during 2015-16 to the State Government of West Bengal under Article 275(1) of the as final instalment of general grant.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India for release of an amount of Rs. 5,71,58,000/- (Rupees Five Crore Seventy One Lakh Fifty Eight Thousand Only), as final instalment to the Government of West Bengal under Art. 275(1) of the Constitution as general/recurring grants for the year 2015-16 to carry out the following activities as detailed by the State Government in their letter No. STDD-146/15 dated 22.04.2015 and finalized/approved by the Project Appraisal Committee (PAC) in its meeting dated 13.04.2015 and letter request of State Govt. vide letter No. STDD-270/16 dated 22.03.2016:-

(Rs. in lakh)

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| 1.    | (a) Creation of Soil testing facilities in ITDA – 6 locations  
(b) Training of tribal youths for self employment.  
**State Govt. should ensure that: Training of youths should have backward – forward linkages.** | 125.00                      |
| 2.    | (a) Construction of 10 New Ashram Hostels.  
(b) Upkeep of 250 schools attached hostels – building toilets with running water facilities.  
(c) Upkeep of existing Ashram Hostels, upgradation of toilet facilities, arrangement of running water, electricity connection, furniture and fixture (100 Ashram Hostels)  
(d) Setting up of library facility in residential schools and Ashram Hostels – 223 units (@Rs. 30,000/-)  
**State Govt. should ensure that:**  
(i) 50% of the newly created seats in the hostels should be for girls.  
(ii) to conduct mapping of existing schools / hostels for converting them into coed residential schools. Construction works involved be taken up in convergence with the State TSP funds / other Centrally Sponsored Schemes, as a part of VKY Strategy. | 1000.00 750.00 150.00 66.90 |
<p>| 3.    | (a) Identification of Sickle Cell Trait – Training, Awareness, testing as per protocol circulated by the Ministry in association | 250.00                      |</p>
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| 4. | (a) Road Connectivity to tribal habitation with PMGSY Road – 305 habitations (59 KM)  
(b) Construction of Culverts, Causeway – 79 locations (@ 2.50 Lakh)  
(To be undertaken in convergence with the Schemes PMGSY, MGNREGS and other State Government’s relevant Schemes).  
**State Govt. would ensure that:**  
To utilize the amount as gap filling like construction of roads / bridges / culverts / causeways linking tribal dominated villages with schools, health centres, training centres, local markets, milk cooperatives etc. in convergence with the flagship programmes and State TSP funds as a part of VKY Strategy.  
i) To conduct mapping of tribal dominated villages lacking proper connectivity of roads.  
ii) To prepare perspective plan for providing all tribal dominated villages with proper connectivity while ensuring convergence of available financial resources under State TSP and CSS in coordination with the line Departments in the State and submit to the Ministry of Tribal Affairs. | 88.50   |
| 5. | (a) Sinking of Rig bore tube well / Mark – IV in Bankura, Purulia, PaschimMedinipur, Birbhum, Malda, DakshinDinajpur, Jalpaiguri, Alipurduar (500 units - @ 1.75 Lakh)  
(b) Upkeep of old drinking water sources in tribal habitations – 1500 source Rs. 25000/-  
(c) Rain Water Harvesting Structure in 100 Ashram Hostels in Bankura, Purulia and PaschimMedinipur.  
(These activities are primarily supposed to be undertaken through the Centrally Sponsored Schemes under Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation and similar line Department in the State).  
**State Govt. would ensure that:**  
To utilized the amount as gap filling measure  
(i) to conduct mapping of tribal dominated villages lacking proper drinking water facilities.  
(ii) to prepare perspective plan for 100% coverage of tribal dominated villages with proper drinking water facilities and sanitation in convergence with the funds under Centrally sponsored Schemes and State TSP funds as a part of VKY Strategy.  
(iii) to submit the perspective Plan to the Ministry of Tribal Affairs. | 875.00  |
| 6. | (a) Setting up of 40 e-enable services centre for tribal communities to be operated by tribals (@Rs. 6.00 Lakh per Centre at AlipurDwar, Jalpaiguri, DakshinDinajpur, Purulia, PaschimMedinipur Districts)  
**State Govt. would ensure that:**  
Approved for setting up existing institutions. | 260.00  |
| 7. | Recurring cost of 7 EMRSs (@Rs. 42000/- per students per annum for 2498 students) | 1049.16 |
(i) Promotion of kitchen garden in Government residential tribal schools.
(ii) Local production of sanitary napkins for the use of tribal girl students.
(iii) Identification and mapping of sporting talents among tribal students and providing sporting facilities in the Government run tribal schools.
(iv) Proper provision of running water facilities in toilets in EMRSs and hostels attached therewith.
(v) Proper upkeep of toilets in EMRSs to ensure hygiene.
(vi) Provision of additional classes for weak students in the subject of Math, Science and English.
(vii) Provision for equipping Science Labs in EMRSs.
(viii) Launching of drive for 100% enrolment of tribal children by involving Government agencies and PRIs in order to improve literacy rate among tribals in the State.

| 8. | Promotion of village tourism / eco tourism (10 units to be created in Alipurduar, Jalpaiguri and Bankura Districts for ecotourism by tribal communities –
(a) Development of infrastructure like accommodation with furniture, toilets, water supply, sewerage, solar light etc.
(b) Training of group members in hospitality and soft skills. **State Govt. ensure that:**
These activities be carried out in coordination with Tourism / Forest Department. | 60.00 |
| 9. | Restructuring of 40 TCPC (Training-cum-Production Centres), introduction of new trades, equipment support, skilled manpower support. **State Govt. would ensure that:** To include women centric trades to enable them to get respectable jobs. | 200.00 |
| 10. | Tribal festivals – sports and cultural competitions:
Annual event to be held in the month of December / January every year. District wise events in 15 Districts thereafter Central event at different locations on rotation basis. | 100.00 |
| 11. | Development of sports centre for tribal youths with modern facilities of athletics, gymnastics, archery – existing infrastructure at Jhargram proposed to be upgraded. **State Govt. should ensure that:**
(i) to attach the sports centres with schools without hampering the formal education.
(ii) to conduct identification and mapping of sporting talents among tribal students and provide sporting facilities in the Government run tribal schools. | 120.00 |
| 12. | Administrative Expenses **State Govt. would ensure that :-**
To set up a dedicated Programme Implementation Cell to monitor the performance of Tribal Development Initiatives in coordination with ITDP/ITDA, District level organizations and Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) and also include: | 82.94 |
| 13. | Identification of sickle cell traits – students of 217 Ashram Hostels, 7 PanditRaghunathMurmu Schools, 9 EMRSs, Belpahari Girls' school and issuance of Cards. | 200.00 |
| 14. | Upkeep of 83 school attached hostels- renovation, toilet facility, running water @ ₹. 3.00 lakh per hostel for 83 schools | 249.00 |
|      | This is in addition of 250 hostels for which amount has already been approved. |   |
| 15. | Provision for low emission fuel (gas) for cooking, renovation of kitchen, installation of chimney, cost of gas oven, fuel @ ₹. 1.50 lakh for 151 Ashram Schools | 225.16 |
|      | This is in addition of 250 hostels for which amount has already been approved. |   |
| 16. | Sinking of Rig bore Tube wells, Mark-IV in Bankura, Puralia, PaschimMidnapur, Birbhum, Malda, DakshinDinajpur, Jalpaiguri, Alipurduar-100 units @ ₹. 1.75 lakhs | 175.00 |
|      | This is in addition of 500 units for which amount has already been approved. |   |

**Total amount approved by PAC**

|   | 7000.00 |

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**The summary of grant is as under:-**

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2. No UC is due for rendition.
3. You are requested to advise RBI, CAS, Nagpur for crediting the above mentioned amount to the account of the Government of West Bengal in accordance with procedure laid down in the Ministry of Finance's OM No. 2(45)/ 76-Spl Cell dated 30.8.1976 as modified by OM of even number dated 16.9.1976.

4. The expenditure to the tune of Rs. 5,71,58,000/- (Rupees Five Crore Seventy One Lakh Fifty Eight Thousand Only), is debitable to the:
   Major Head '3601' - Grants-in-aid to State Governments
   Sub-major Head 02 - Grants for State Plan Schemes
   Minor Head 796 - Tribal Area Sub-Plan
                      02 - Welfare of Scheduled Tribes – Grants under Proviso to Article 275 (1) of the Constitution.
                      02 - Scheme under Proviso to Article 275(1) of the Constitution (Voted)
                      02.02.31 - Grants in-aid - General (Voted)
   Demand No. - 98 for 2015-16 of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs

5. The entire assistance is subject to adjustment on the basis of the audited figures of expenditure for the State Annual Plan 2015-16.

6. The State Government will implement the projects within the amount released by the Ministry during 2015-16 and keeping in view the spirit of the provisions contained under Operational Guidelines for formulation, implementation and monitoring of TSP and Article 275(1) funds, issued by Ministry of Tribal Affairs during March, 2014 and Revised Guidelines for Implementation of TSP issued by erstwhile Planning Commission during June 2014 and other relevant instructions issued from time to time.

7. The State Government will adhere to the instructions contained in the minutes of PAC meetings pertaining the State(s) concerned scrupulously. A copy of the projects implemented by the State Government is required to be sent to the Ministry. The State Government would ensure that:
   i. construction component of the project is based on the schedule of rates of CPWD/PWD or any other scheduled of rates approved by a competent authority.
   ii. project(s) has the clearance of the State Government from the technical / financial / administrative angles.

8. The State Government is to transfer fund immediately within 30 days to the project implementing agencies and a copy of the fund transfer order may also be sent to this Ministry. It may be ensured that the grants are used for the purpose for which they are sanctioned after following the due procedure in a transparent manner and obtaining all necessary clearances as required under the various Central/State Acts, Rules and Regulations etc.

9. The progress reports of every quarter should be furnished indicating the physical and financial progress as per prescribed format already circulated. A Certificate of actual utilization of the grants received for the purpose for which it was received, may
be furnished to the Ministry within 12 months of the closure of the financial year by the State Government.

10. This sanction issues in exercise of the delegated powers in consultation with Integrated Finance of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs vide their No.5130/JS&FA/2015 dated 30.03.2016.

11. Certified that this sanction has been noted at S. No. ........ in the register of grants.

Yours faithfully,

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MHA/Under Secretary
Ministry of Tribal Affairs
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Govt. of India, New Delhi

Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:-
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2. Accountant General, West Bengal.
3. The Principal Secretary, ST/SC Welfare Department, Government of West Bengal, Kolkata.
4. The Secretary, Finance Department, Government of West Bengal, Kolkata.
5. The Secretary, Planning Department, Government of West Bengal, Kolakata.
6. The Resident Commissioner, Government of West Bengal, West Bengal Bhawan, New Delhi.
7. The Commissioner, ST Welfare Department, Government of West Bengal, Kolakata.
8. NitiAayog, Plan Coordination, NitiAayog, New Delhi.
10. NitiAayog, SP Division, NitiAayog, New Delhi.
11. Director, PF-I Section, Ministry of Finance (Deptt. of Expenditure), North Block, New Delhi.
12. The Secretary, National Commission for STs, LokNayakBhawan, New Delhi.
13. JS (SG)/DS (IFD)/NIC/ Hindi Section/ Folder.

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