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F.No.17014/18(17)/2015-SG-II
Government of India
Ministry of Tribal Affairs

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110115
Dated: 17.11.2015

To

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

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18/11/15

Subject: Release of Grants under Vanbandhu Kalyan Yojana (VKY) during 2015-16 to the State of Sikkim as full & final installment for General Grant.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India for release of an amount of **Rs. 75,00,000/- (Rupees Seventy Five Lakh only)** to the Government of **Sikkim** as 1st installment of **General Grant** under **Vanbandhu Kalyan Yojana (VKY)** for the year 2015-16 to carry out the activities finalized with reference to the presentation made by the State in the meeting held at Shastri Bhawan on 26.10.2015 and as recorded in the proceedings of the meeting:-

		(Rs. in Lakh)
S. No.	Proposed Activity	Amount Approved
1	Education	
	Teachers training	20.00
2	Health & Sanitation	
	Training on Paramedics	15.00
	Construction of Toilet Blocks for Girls Hostel, EMRs Swayem	50.00
3	Skill Development	
	Masonry/ Carpentry/ Plumber/ Electrician/ Supervisor (infrastructure construction)	10.00
	Hospitality	10.00
	Training on Motor Driving	10.00
4	Agriculture Development including Irrigation	
	Promotion of practice of Backyard Kitchen Garden among Tribal people	10.00
	Farming in Organically grown local pulses/ buckwheat/ finger millet	10.00
Total Amount approved by PAC for 2015-16		135.00
Amount to be release under head of General (recurring grants)		75.00
Less: Amount under head of Capital (non-recurring)		60.00

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2. The sanction of **Rs. 75,00,000/- (Rupees Seventy Five Lakh only)** against above mentioned activities should be carried out while keeping in mind the observations of PAC as recorded in the minutes of the PAC meeting dated 26.10.2015.
3. The payment of **Rs. 75,00,000/- (Rupees Seventy Five Lakh only)** to the Government of Sikkim will be made by a Draft in favour of Secretary, Department of Finance, Gangtok. The Drawing and Disbursing Officer of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs will present a bill for **Rs. 75,00,000/- (Rupees Seventy Five Lakh only)** to the Pay & Accounts Officer, Ministry of Tribal Affairs to enable him to issue the Draft.
4. 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.
5. No Grant was released during 2014-15.
6. 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. Provisional utilization certificate in r/o General Grants may be furnished immediately after the end of the financial year 2015-16. 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.
7. The State Government has to ensure that grant-in-aid is used for the purpose for which it is sanctioned after following due procedure and norms in vogue in a transparent manner and after obtaining all necessary clearances as required under the various Central/ State Acts, Rules, regulations, etc.
8. 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.
9. 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 Education.
 - 07 - Van Bandhu Kalyan Yojana
 - 08.07.31 - Grants-in-aid-General (Charged)
 - Demand No. - 98 for 2015-16 of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs



10. This sanction issues in exercise of the delegated powers in consultation with Integrated Finance Division vide Dy. No. 6262/JS & FA/2015 dated 06.11.2015.

11. Certified that this sanction has been noted at Sl.No.....¹¹ 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, ITO, New Delhi.
2. The Accountant General, Sikkim, Gangtok.
3. The Principal Secretary, Tribal & Social Welfare Department, Government of Sikkim, Gangtok.
4. The Principal Secretary, Finance Deptt, Government of Sikkim, Gangtok.
5. The Principal Secretary, Planning Department Government of Sikkim, Gangtok
6. The Resident Commissioner, Government of Sikkim, Sikkim Bhawan, New Delhi.
7. NITI Aayog, Plan Coordination, NITI Bhavan, ND.
8. NITI Aayog, BC Division, NITI Bhavan, ND.
9. NITI Aayog, SP Division, NITI Bhavan, ND.
10. Ministry of Finance (Deptt of Expenditure), PF-I Section, North Block, New Delhi.
11. Secretary, National Commission for STs, Lok Nayak Bhawan, ND.
12. JS(SG)/DS (IFD)/NIC/ Hindi Section/ Folder.



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