

F.No.11015/05(16)/2017-Grant
Government of India
Ministry of Tribal Affairs

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110115
Dated: 04.10.2017

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

Subject: Grants under Proviso to Article 275(1) of Constitution during 2017-18 to the State of Meghalaya as 1st installment (Grants-in-aid-General-Recurring).

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India for release of an amount of **Rs. 5,00,00,000/- (Rupees Five Crore Only)**, as 1st installment to the Government of **Meghalaya** towards Grant-in-aid-General for **Grants under Article 275(1) of the Constitution** for the year 2017-18 to carry out the following activities approved by PAC in its meeting dated 28.07.2017:

Committed Liability:


(Rs. in lakh)

Sl. No.	Project	Year of first Approval	Location/ District	Total Project Estimate	Amount Already Released	Amount approved during 2017-18
1.	Balance amount for the approved activities during 2016-17	2016-17	-	2765.46	1576.21	788.79


New Proposal

(Rs. in Lakh)

Sl. No.	Activity	Location	Amount approved for released during 2017-18
Education			
1.	Construction of additional classrooms (24 ft x 18 ft) with verandah in Government & Government aided UP / LP schools, Unit cost: Rs.8.20 lakhs per schools, No. of units : 150	Williamnagar / Baghmara / Resubelpara / Ampati / Tura / Jowai / Mawkyrwat / Nongstoin / Nongpoh	1230.00
2.	Supporting activity based learning centres for class I to V children in 100 schools of educationally backward Districts where pass percentage in secondary level is below	South Garo Hills / South West Garo Hills	240.49


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	30%. Unit cost: Rs.5.50 lakh per School. Beneficiaries : 100 schools		
3.	Rainwater harvesting structures with community mobilization workshop Cost - Rs.3.10 lakh each structure including kitchen gardens @ Rs.0.40 lakhs each Unit - 100 schools in 10 districts	Resubelpara / Tura / Williamnagar / Baghamara / Ampati / Nongstoin / Mawkyrwat / Nongpoh / Jowai / Khliehriat	350.00
Agriculture			
4.	Providing sustainable livelihood through strawberry planting materials, etc @ Rs.90,000/- per unit Beneficiaries : 250	Shillong / Nongpoh / Williamnagar / Tura / Bagmara	225.00
5.	Organic Fertilizer Production Unit under BRDC for North Garo Hills District	Mendipathar	100.00
Income Generation			
6.	Crossway over river Rongrit, East Garo Hills District to connect difficult tribal areas to nearest market	East Garo Hills District	90.00
7.	Suspension bridge over Dareng River at Darengiri, South Garo Hills District	Darengiri, South Garo Hills	40.00
8.	Multi-facility Centres at 5 places Unit cost- Rs.60.00 lakhs each	Nongpoh, Nongstoin, Williamnagar, Bagmara, Ampati.	150.00
9.	Providing upgraded Flying handlooms along with capacity building and yarn, etc Unit cost - Rs.10,000/- Beneficiaries : 3000	Shillong / Jowai / Khliehriat / Resubelpara / Tura / Nongstoin / Nongpoh / Ampati	300.00
10.	Skill Development of Communities in Compost making & other green technologies. 452 training, Trainees- 4640 10 former per village (10 village per block) 3volunteer/block, total 140 volunteers /master trainers	In all 11 (eleven) District headquarters	90.00
Administrative Structure			
11.	Tirot Sing Indigenous Knowledge & Cultural Centre	Nongkhlaw	298.00
12.	Integrated Knowledge Centre at Shillong and Tura Total Cost- Rs.75.00 lakh for each location	Shillong	150.00


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Summary of releases

(Rs. in lakh)

A	Total Amount approved for 2017-18		4052.28
B	(Less) Unspent balance with State Government	448.88	
C	Amount to be released under the head of Capital Grant		3103.40
D	Amount to be released as 1st installment under head of Grant-in-aid – General		500.00

2. You may please transfer the amount immediately to the Government of **Meghalaya** and advise RBI, CAS, Nagpur for crediting the above mentioned amount to the accounts of the State Government of **Meghalaya** 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. No UC is due for rendition.


4. The expenditure to the tune of **Rs. 5,00,00,000/- (Rupees Five Crore Only)**, is debitabale to the :

Major Head '3601'	-	Grants-in-aid to State Governments
Sub-major Head 08	-	Other Transfer/Grants to States
Minor Head 796	-	Tribal Area Sub-Plan
05	-	Welfare of Scheduled Tribes – Grants under Proviso to Article 275 (1) of the Constitution.
01	-	Grants under Proviso to Article 275(1) of the Constitution (Charged)
05.01.31	-	Grants-in-aid – General (Voted)
Demand No.	-	96 for 2017-18 of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs

5. The State Government will implement the projects within the amount released by the Ministry during 2017-18 and keeping in view the spirit of the provisions contained under Operational Guidelines for Inter-State allocation of funds and implementation of Programmes / Activities under Proviso to Article 275(1) of Constitution of India, issued by Ministry of Tribal Affairs vide this Ministry's letter NO. 11015/01/2016-SG-I dated 20.6.2016 and other relevant instructions issued from time to time.

6. Article 275(1) Grants is an additive to State Plan funds and efforts for Tribal Development. Funds under Article 275(1) Grants must be utilized for raising socio-economic level of Schedule Tribes commensurate with objectives enshrined in para 2.2 read with para 3.2 of revised guidelines dated 20.06.2016.

7. Article 275(1) Grants shall be utilized primarily for activities of non-recurring nature (including infrastructure and equipment with at least three years life time). Fund for recurring component of such programmes / Schemes shall be borne by State funds / TSP allocation. Priority shall be accorded in accordance with the provision contained in para 6 of revised guidelines dated 20.06.2016. Major infrastructure sector, like road connectivity, electricity, drinking water, major


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irrigation projects, housing would not be funded under Article 275(1) Grants, as substantive part of State Plan funds go into these programmes.

8. Fund allocation for the programmes of ITDPs / ITDAs / MADA packets / Clusters / Dispersed tribals and Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) shall be done in accordance with provisions contained in para 5 of revised guidelines dated 20.06.2016.

9. The State Government shall ensure that concerned Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) should be duly informed about the projects / Programmes relating to Tribal Development to be implemented in the area of jurisdiction.


10. 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. In case of construction of infrastructure facilities, norms and Schedule of Rates (SOR) fixed by the State Government should be followed.

11. State Government shall ensure immediate transfer of funds to respective implementing agencies for implementation of activities approved by MoTA PAC. Progress Reports of the grants under Article 275(1) of the Constitution may be furnished in the format prescribed by MoTA. 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 as per provisions of General Financial Rules (GFR), 212(1) of 2005 amended from time to time.

12. This sanction issues in exercise of the delegated powers in consultation with Integrated Finance of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs vide their **FTS No. 10038/JS&FA/2017 dated 11.09.2017.**

13. Certified that this sanction has been noted at S. No. ³⁵..... in the register of grants.

Yours faithfully,



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