

F.No. 11015/4(21)/2016-Grant
Government of India
Ministry of Tribal Affairs

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110115

Dated: 30.03.2017

To

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

Subject: Release of additional funds during 2016-17 to the State Government of Sikkim under Article 275(1) of the Constitution as 4th installment for Capital Assets.

Sir,

In continuation of sanction letters of even No. dated 27.06.2016, 26.09.2016 and 21.03.2017, I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India of an amount of **Rs. 5,50,00,000 /- (Rupees Five Crore Fifty Lakh only)** as 4th installment of grant for creation of capital assets/non-recurring grant to the Government of Sikkim under Article 275 (1) of the Constitution of India for the year 2016-17 to carry out the following activities submitted by State Government vide letter no. 168/SJE&WD dated 16.03.2017 which are approved by the Competent Authority on 29.03.2017:

(Rs. in Lakh)

S. No.	Projects/Activities	Location	Decision
1.	Construction of new EMRS	Parkh, East Sikkim	Total approved Project cost is Rs. 1600.00 lakh. However, Rs. 500.00 lakh is approved for 2016-17. Thus Rs. 1100.00 lakh is committed for subsequent years.
2.	C/o Tribal Sports Multiplex,	North Sikkim.	Total approved Project cost is Rs. 300.00 lakh. However, Rs. 50.00 lakh is approved for 2016-17. Thus Rs. 250.00 lakh is committed for subsequent years
Total			Rs. 550.00 lakh

2. No UC is due for rendition.

3. The payment of **Rs. 5,50,00,000 /- (Rupees Five Crore Fifty 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. 5,50,00,000 /- (Rupees Five Crore Fifty Lakh only)** to the Pay & Accounts Officer, Ministry of Tribal Affairs to enable him to issue the Draft.



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4. The expenditure to the tune of **Rs. 5,50,00,000 /- (Rupees Five Crore Fifty Lakh 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)
02.02.35	- Grants for creation of capital assets (Voted)
Demand No.	- 89 for 2016-17 of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs

5. The State Government will implement the projects within the amount released by the Ministry during 2016-17 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 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.



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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.8704/JS&FA/2017 dated 29.03.2017.

13. Certified that this sanction has been noted at S. No. 77 in the register of grants.

Yours faithfully,



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Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:-

- 1) Director of Audit, Central Revenues, AGCR Building, ITO, New Delhi.
- 2) Accountant General, Sikkim, Gangtok.
- 3) Principal Secretary, Finance Department, Government of Sikkim, Gangtok .
- 4) Secretary, Planning Department, Government of Sikkim, Gangtok.
- 5) Principal Secretary, Department of Social Justice, Empowerment & Welfare, Government of Sikkim, Gangtok.
- 6) Commissioner, Department of Social Justice, Empowerment & Welfare, Government of Sikkim, Gangtok.
- 7) Niti Aayog, Plan Coordination Division, Niti Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 8) Niti Aayog, BC Division, Niti Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 9) Niti Aayog, State Plan Division, Niti Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 10) The Principal Resident Commissioner, Government of Sikkim, Sikkim Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 11) Ministry of Finance (Department of Expenditure), PF-I Section, North Block, New Delhi.
- 12) National Commission for Scheduled Tribes, Lok Nayak, Bhawan, 5th Floor, New Delhi.
- 13) JS(PPP)/ Director (IFD)/ Hindi Section / Sanction Folder/ NIC.



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