To
The Pay & Accounts Officer,
Ministry of Tribal Affairs,
Shastri Bhavan,
New Delhi.

Sub: Conservation-cum-development (CCD) Plan for Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) of Bihar under the Scheme of Development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups - Grant-in-Aid to the State Govt. of Bihar for the financial year 2017-18 thereof.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President for release of an amount of Rs. 72,00,000/- (Rupees Seventy Two Lakhs only) as 1st instalment on ad-hoc basis to the State Government of Bihar towards Grant-in-Aid (General) under the Central Sector Scheme of “Development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups” for the year 2017-18 for the activities under Annual Plan for 2017-18.

2. The actual expenditure would be incurred only after the Annual Plan of the concerned State is approved by the Project Appraisal Committee (PAC) of Ministry of Tribal Affairs.

3. The works/activities shall be taken up in accordance with an implementation schedule drawn by Scheduled Tribe & Scheduled Caste Development Department and submitted to the Ministry.

4. The grant-in-aid shall be subject to provisions of GFR, 2005.

5. The Utilization Certificate for non-recurring and recurring grant will be submitted by the State Govt. to the Ministry as per Rule 212 of the GFR 2005 in Form GFR-19-A.

6. The State Government shall ensure that there is no unspent balance out of this grant left with them at the end of current financial year. The Unspent balance, if any, will be surrendered to the Ministry of Tribal Affairs.

7. The financial assistance as provided under the scheme has been approved by Ministry of Finance. It shall be utilized for the purpose it has been sanctioned and for the welfare of members of PVTGs only.

8. The financial assistance given to ITDPs/ITDAs and TRIs should be deemed to have been given to the State Government concerned and rules and regulation governing the grants-in-aid to States/UTs shall apply to them.

9. The detailed Physical and Financial Progress Report in respect of activities to be undertaken in this regard shall be reported every quarter indicating the phase of completion of work, wherever applicable. Hereinafter, the list of beneficiaries covered under various approved activities/projects along with their Aadhaar Number shall be provided alongwith Utilization Certificate and detailed Physical & Financial Progress Report.
10. You are requested to advise RBI, CAS, Nagpur for crediting the above mentioned amount to the account of the Government of Andhra Pradesh 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 under intimation to this Ministry.

11. The implementing agency shall allow the representative of this Ministry or the independent agency appointed by this Ministry or the State Government to inspect actual working of the scheme.

12. No UC is due for rendition.

13. The expenditure to the tune of Rs. **72,00,000/- (Rupees. Seventy Two Lakhs only)** is debitable to the

Major Head ‘3601’ – Grants – in-aid to State Governments
Sub-major Head 06 – Grants for Centrally Sponsored Schemes
Minor Head 796 – Tribal Area Sub-Plan
37- Umbrella Programme for Development of Scheduled Tribes; Van Bandhu Kalyan Yojana
01- Development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs)
37.01.31- Grant-in-Aid General (Charged)
Demand No- 96 for 2017-18 of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs

14. The sanction is issued with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division of the Ministry vide Dy. No.6013/JS&FA/2017 dated 17/05/2017.

15. The sanction has been noted at **S.No. 10** of the Sanction Register.

(Reema Sharma)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

**Copy to:**

1. The Secretary, SC&ST welfare Department, Government of Bihar, Patna with the request that the Quarterly Progress Report in prescribed format showing physical and financial achievements for the quarter under report may kindly be submitted regularly without fail even if it is nil report.
2. Secretary, Finance Department, Govt. of Bihar, Patna.
3. Secretary, Planning Department, Govt. of Bihar, Patna.
4. Accountant General, Bihar, Patna
5. National Commission for SCs and STs, Lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi.
6. Director of Audit, AGCR Building, New Delhi.
7. Planning Commission, New Delhi i) S.P. Division, ii) Plan Coordination Division, iii) BC Division.
9. US(IFD)/B&C Section, Ministry of Tribal Affairs.
10. Director (NIC), Ministry of Tribal Affairs to place it on the Ministry’s Website.
11. PS to MTA/PPS to Secretary (TA)/PPS to JS(A)/ PA to EA(SS).