



No. 19/15/2018-Livelihood
Government of India
Ministry of Tribal Affairs

Shastri Bhawan,
New Delhi-110 001
Dated: 29.10.2018

To,
The Pay & Accounts Officer,
Ministry of Tribal Affairs,
Shastri Bhawan,
New Delhi – 110 001

Subject: Release of Rs. 59,74,000/- (Rupees Fifty nine lakhs Seventy four thousand only) as Grant-in-aid to the State Forest Development Agency, Kerala for the year 2018-19 under the Scheme “Mechanism for Marketing of Minor Forest Produce (MFP) through Minimum Support Price (MSP) and development of Value Chain for MFP”.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India to the Grant-in-Aid of **Rs. 59,74,000/- (Rupees fifty nine lakhs seventy four thousand only)** for the financial year 2018-19 to the State Government of Kerala towards creation of revolving funds for procurement of MFPs by State Forest Development Agency, Kerala under the Scheme “Mechanism for Marketing of Minor Forest Produce (MFP) through Minimum Support Price (MSP) and development of Value Chain for MFP”.

2. The revolving funds proposed for the year 2018-19 are for the procurement of 50 MTs of Wild Honey amounting to Rs. 79.66 lakhs (including overheads).
3. The present release is towards Govt. of India's share of Rs. 59,74,000/- i.e. 75% of Rs. 79,66,000/-. The balance 25% of the total approved cost i.e. Rs. 19,92,00/- will be borne by State Government.
4. The State Government shall ensure that the revolving funds received from the Government of India are released directly to the State Forest Development Agency, Kerala at the earliest for carrying out the procurement activities, as approved.

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5. The Expenditure involved will be met from within the Sanctioned Budget Grant of Ministry of Tribal Affairs under the Demand No. 96, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, for the financial year 2017-18 (Plan):

Major Head -3601 – Grants-in-aid to State Governments,
Sub Major Head 06 – Grants for Centrally Sponsored Schemes,
Sub Minor Head - 796 – Tribal Area Sub Plan,
37 – Umbrella Programme for Development of Scheduled Tribes: Van
Bandhu Kalyan Yojana,
02-Minimum Support Price for Minor Forest Produce (MSP for MFP)
37.02.31– Grants-in-aid General (Charged)

6. You are requested to advise RBI, CAS, Nagpur for crediting the above mentioned amount to the account of the Government of Kerala in accordance with procedure laid down by the Ministry of Finance's OM No. 2(45)/76-Spl Cell dated 30.8.29176 as modified by OM of even number dated 16.9.1976.

7. The Grants-in-aid will be regulated in accordance with the provisions contained in the Scheme "Mechanism for Marketing of Minor Forest Produce (MFP) through Minimum Support Price (MSP) and development of Value Chain for MFP" as circulated vide Ministry of Tribal Affairs letter No. 2/19/2013-CP&R dated 03.01.2014.

8. The Grants-in-aid is also subject to the Chapter 9 of the General Financial Rules, 2017 (GFRs), as amended from time to time, read with the Government of India's decisions incorporated there-under, and any other guidelines which may be issued in this regard, and in particular to conditions under GFR-232, along with the following:

- i) Certified that the pattern of assistance of rules governing such grants-in-aid have received the approval of the Ministry of Finance, as required under Govt. of India Decision No.(1) under DFPR-Rule 20.
- ii) Assets acquired wholly or substantially out of Government Grants shall not be disposed off without obtaining the prior approval of the sanctioning authority of Grant-in-aid.
- iii) The grantee organization agrees to arrange matching fund from the State Government of Kerala for the operation of the scheme as envisaged in the guidelines.
- iv) The accounts of the grantee organization shall be audited by the Comptroller & Auditor-General of India (C&AG) or by any person authorized by him on his behalf in accordance with the provisions laid down in Section 14 of the C&AG (Duties, Powers & Conditions of Service) Act, 1971 as amended from time to time.


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v) The accounts of the grantee organization shall be open for inspection by the sanctioning authority and audit, both by the Comptroller & Auditor General of India under the provisions of C&AG (DPC) Act, 1971 and Internal Audit by the Principal Accounts Office of the Ministry or Department whenever it is called upon to do so.

vi) The grantee organization will spend the Grants-in-aid exclusively in pursuance of the objectives envisaged in the scheme for the purpose it is being sanctioned.

vii) Grants-in-aid to the grantee organization is subject to the economy instructions issued from time to time by the Ministry of Finance or by the Competent Authority.

viii) The grantee organization has no utilization certificates as due for rendition under the rules.

ix) In the event of the grantee organization failing to comply with the conditions, the State Government shall be liable to refund to the sanctioning authority the whole of the amount of the grant with interest at 10% per annum thereon.

x) The grantee organization will maintain a separate account of the Government grant as per guidelines of the scheme.

xi) The assets created, facilities developed and activities undertaken through the funds released by this Ministry shall be voluntarily disclosed before the Gram Sabha concerned.

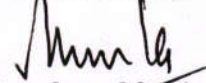
xii) The grantee organization has to forward an inspection-cum-commencement report in respect of the activities within the period of six months.

9. The Utilization Certification for the grant received for the purpose, for which it was sanctioned. Is to be furnished by the grantee organization as per rule of 238 of GFR alongwith progress report (both physical & financial) and Audited Statement of Accounts.

10. This sanction issues with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division of Ministry of Tribal Affairs vide their FTS/Dy. No. 12925/JS&FA/2018 dated 23.10.2018

11. Certified that this sanction has been noted at Sl. No.7 in the Register of Grants.

Yours faithfully,



(K Chandrasekar)

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- 4) CCA, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, New Delhi.
- 5) The Drawing & Disbursing Officer, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, New Delhi.
- 6) The Secretary, SC & ST Development, Government of Kerala.
- 7) The Secretary, Finance, Deptt., Government of Kerala.
- 8) The Comptroller & Auditor General of India, New Delhi.
- 9) State Forest Development Agency, Kerala.
- 10) The Managing Director, TRIFED, 2nd Floor, NCUI Building, 3, Siri Institutional Area, August Kranti Marg, New Delhi-110 016
- 11) The Chairperson & MD, NSTFDC, NBCC Tower, Bhikaji Cama Place, New Delhi.
- 12) The Secretary, Planning Department, Government of Kerala.
- 13) The Accountant General, Government of Kerala.
- 14) Director (Fin)/NIC/Hindi Section/Sanction Folder.
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