To
The Pay & Accounts Officer,
Ministry of Tribal Affairs,
Shastri Bhawan,
New Delhi-110001.

Subject: Grants under Proviso to Article 275(1) of Constitution during 2019-20 to the State Government of West Bengal (Creation of Capital Assets Non-Recurring).

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India for release of an amount of Rs. 25,94,89,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Crore Ninety Four Lakh Eighty Nine Thousand Only), on adhoc basis to the Government of West Bengal towards Creation of Capital Assets (CCA) for Grants under Article 275(1) of the Constitution for the year 2019-20 to carry out the following activities of capital nature out of the activities approved in the PAC meeting held on 13.02.2019 which are as follows (except recurring expenditure under EMRS):

1.1 Committed Liability:

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<th>Sl. No.</th>
<th>Project</th>
<th>Year of first Approval</th>
<th>Location/District</th>
<th>Total Project Estimate</th>
<th>Amount Already Released</th>
<th>Amount sought for 2019-20</th>
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<td>1.</td>
<td>Education: Vertical Extension of 3 (three) EMRSs in the phase-I over the existing school, hostel and staff quarter for capacity expansion to provide space for study hall, smart classes, auditorium, library &amp; computer lab for 40 computers. Rs. 300 lakhs for each extension. Rest EMRS may be taken up in the next fiscal.</td>
<td>2018-19</td>
<td>Bankura, Dakshin Dinajpur, Paschim Burdwan (Kanksa)</td>
<td>900.00</td>
<td>600.00</td>
<td>300.00</td>
<td>PAC approved Rs. 300.00 lakh. No further committed liabilities.</td>
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<td>2.</td>
<td>Health: Construction of 200 multi-facility centres in tribal dominated area in convergence with MGNREGA – 50% of the fund would be shared from MGNREGA.</td>
<td>2018-19</td>
<td>In 15 ITDP Districts</td>
<td>533.88</td>
<td>300.00</td>
<td>233.88</td>
<td>PAC approved Rs. 233.88 lakh. No further committed liabilities.</td>
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### New Proposals:

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<td>1.</td>
<td>Construction of new Ashram Hostel, 50 seater, 5 nos. in ITDP Districts, cost as per norms of BJRCY, Govt. of India @Rs.1.50 crore – Land identified and Transferred/ No objection issued</td>
<td>Murshidabad (1), Paschim Medinipur (1), Jhargram (1), Dakshin Dinajpur (1), Alipurduar (1)</td>
<td>750.00</td>
<td>PAC approved Rs. 750.00 lakh.</td>
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<td>2.</td>
<td><strong>Health:</strong> The Department is supplementing malaria control programme of H&amp;FW Department in 39 stressed Tea gardens of Jalpaiguri, Alipurduar and plains of Darjeeling Districts by providing LLIN mosquito nets to estimated 50,000 families @ 2 nets per family. Last year 25,000 families were covered. It is proposed to cover rest 25,000 families in 2019-20. Total cost is estimated at @ Rs. 411/- per net (permanent), 2 nets per family = Rs. 205.50 lakh.</td>
<td>Alipurduar, Jalpaiguri</td>
<td>205.50</td>
<td>PAC approved Rs. 205.50 lakh.</td>
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<td>3.</td>
<td>Jhora improvement scheme known as spring project in hill areas of Darjeeling and Kalimpong Districts for supply of Drinking water and irrigation water has been taken up in convergence with MGNREGA and Minor Irrigation Department. Altogether around 610 perennial sources have so far been identified. Depending upon capacity of sources, tapped water is distributed through pipe-line via reservoir to habitations. During 2019-20, fund is sought for 100 spring projects.</td>
<td>Darjeeling, Kalimpong</td>
<td>750.00</td>
<td>PAC approved Rs. 750.00 lakh.</td>
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<td>4.</td>
<td>Solar light in 77 Health sub-centres with no electricity in the hill areas of Darjeeling and Kalimpong – Installation of 2 KW power plant as per MNRE estimate @ Rs. 4.00 lakh</td>
<td>Darjeeling and Kalimpong</td>
<td>308.00</td>
<td>PAC approved Rs. 308.00 lakh.</td>
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<td>5.</td>
<td>Last mile Road Connectivity Fund is sought for construction of fare weather road, 75 km length, @ Rs. 3.50 lakh/ km. to provide last mile connectivity for 250 habitations identified in 4 Districts.</td>
<td>Alipurduar, Jalpaiguri, Dakshin Dinajpur, Malda</td>
<td>437.50</td>
<td>PAC approved Rs. 437.50 lakh.</td>
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<td>6.</td>
<td>Drinking Water: Sinking of Rig bore Tube wells/ Mark-IV, 200 units @Rs. 3.00 lakh.</td>
<td>Uttar Dinajpur, Malda, Birbhum, Murshidabad, Jhargram, Plains of Darjeeling</td>
<td>750.00</td>
<td>PAC approved Rs. 750.00 lakh.</td>
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<td>7.</td>
<td>Administrative Expenses: Administrative expenses – for skilled manpower, supervision, monitoring, development of software etc.</td>
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<td>1.04</td>
<td>PAC approved Rs. 1.04 lakh.</td>
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<td><strong>Grand Total=</strong></td>
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<td><strong>3202.04</strong></td>
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Summary of Release

(Rs. in lakh)

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<th>Total Amount approved for 2019-20 (Except recurring expenses for EMRS)</th>
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<th>Amount being released on ad-hoc basis under the head of Creation of Capital Assets (CCA)</th>
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2. The Grant-in-Aid shall be subject to provisions of GFR, 2017.

3. You may please transfer the amount immediately to the Government of West Bengal and advise RBI, CAS, Nagpur for crediting the above mentioned amount to the accounts of the State Government of West Bengal 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.

4. The expenditure to the tune of Rs. 25,94,89,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Crore Ninety Four Lakh Eighty Nine Thousand Only), is debitable 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)
     - 05.01.35 - Grants for creation of capital assets (Charged)
   - Demand No. - 96 for 2019-20 of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs

5. The State Government will utilize the funds 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. State Government shall ensure immediate transfer of funds to respective implementing agencies for implementation of activities to be approved by MoTA PAC / Competent Authority. Progress Reports of Grants under Article 275(1) of Constitution of India 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), 2017 amended from time to time.

7. 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.
8. 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.

9. 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.

10. 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.

11. 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.

12. The progress reports of every quarter should be furnished indicating the physical and financial progress as per prescribed format already circulated and revised from time to time. A Certificate of actual utilization of the grants received for the purpose for which it was received, may be furnished to the Ministry within 12 months of the closure of the financial year by the State Government.

13. This sanction issues in exercise of the delegated powers in consultation with Integrated Finance of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs vide their FTS No. 14690/JS&FA/2019 dated 29.05.2019.

14. Certified that this sanction has been noted at S. No. 34 in the register of grants.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
Tel: 233-0460.
Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:

1. Director of Audit, Central Revenues, AGCR Building, ITO, New Delhi.
2. Accountant General, West Bengal.
3. The Principal Secretary, ST/SC Welfare Department, Government of West Bengal, Kolkata
4. The Secretary, Finance Department, Government of West Bengal, Kolkata
5. The Secretary, Planning Department, Government of West Bengal, Kolkata
6. The Resident Commissioner, Government of West Bengal, West Bengal Bhawan, New Delhi.
7. The Commissioner, ST Welfare Department, Government of West Bengal Kolakata
8. Niti Aayog, Plan Coordination, Niti Aayog, New Delhi.
10. Niti Aayog, SP Division, Niti Aayog, New Delhi.
11. Director, PF-I Section, Ministry of Finance (Deptt. of Expenditure), North Block, New Delhi.
12. The Secretary, National Commission for STs, Lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi.
13. JS (A)/Dir (IFD)/NIC/ Hindi Section/ Folder.

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