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 Assam (Grants-in-aid-General).

Sir,

In continuation of this Ministry’s letter dated 11.09.2019, I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India for release of an amount of **Rs. 13,44,32,000/- (Rupees Thirteen Crore Forty-Four Lakh Thirty-Two Thousand Only)**, to the Government of **Assam** towards Grant-in-aid-General for Grants under Article 275(1) of Constitution of India for the year 2019-20 to carry out the activities (except recurring expenditure under EMRS) approved/finalized by PAC in its meeting dated 13.02.2019 mentioned in earlier sanction order dated 11.09.2019 and additional activities approved by PAC in its meeting dated 03.09.2019 which are as under:

1. **Additional proposal und Grants under Article 275(1) for the year 2019-20:**

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<th>S. No.</th>
<th>Activity</th>
<th>Location</th>
<th>Total Cost</th>
<th>Amount Sought in 2019-20</th>
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<td>1</td>
<td>Construction of 10 Community Centres @ 100 lakh per centre</td>
<td>Chirang, Baksa, Golaghat, Dhemaji, Udalguri, Hojai, Nagaon, Goalpara, Sonitpur and Tinsukia</td>
<td>1000.00</td>
<td>600.00</td>
<td>SG informed that the plan and estimates have been prepared by the CE. PAC Approved an amount of <strong>Rs. 600.00 Lakh.</strong></td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Construction of Addl. Class rooms in ST areas LP/ME/High School (preference will be given to institutes for Girls) including Desk/Benches</td>
<td>Chirang, Kokrajhar, Baksa, Udalguri, Sonitpur, Morigaon, Goalpara, Dhemaji, North-Lakhimpur, Dima Hasao, Karbi Anglong</td>
<td>182.49</td>
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<td>SG informed that the cost takes into account construction and furniture. Approved an amount of <strong>Rs. 182.49 Lakh.</strong></td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Construction of Addl. Class rooms in ST areas</td>
<td>Chirang, Kokrajhar,</td>
<td>249.20</td>
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| Colleges/Higher Secondary Schools (preference will be given to institutes for Girls) including Desk/Benches
20 units @12.46 lakhs per unit | Baksa, Udalguri, Sonitpur, Morigaon, Goalpara, Dhemaji, North-Lakhimpur, Dima Hasao, Karbi Anglong, Nagaon, Hojai | Approved an amount of **Rs. 249.20 Lakh**. |
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<td>4 Construction/ upgradation of Interconnecting village pucca roads with bridges etc. with cross drainage system from the main PWD roads leading to the villages at Chirang district</td>
<td>Chirang district</td>
<td>SG will provide exact locations of the roads and their lengths. Approved for release of an amount of <strong>Rs. 200.00 lakhs</strong>.</td>
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<td>5 Assistance to Tribal farmers for processing Organic certification of their farms @ Rs. 2.50 lakh per ICS for 120 ST farmers</td>
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<td>Approved in-principle. SG will provide details of beneficiaries.</td>
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| 6 Entrepreneurship development among ST unemployed youths in the sectors listed below by providing financial grants @80% subsidy

**Beneficiaries:** ST unemployed youths of Assam |

i) Manufacturing unit of Areca leaf products(10 youths) | 48.00 | 48.00 |

ii) 5 Car Washing Centre(5 youths) | 80.00 | 80.00 |

iii) 5 Packaged drinking water unit(5 youths) | 80.00 | 80.00 |

iv) 10 Non woven carry bag making unit(10 youths) | 80.00 | 80.00 |

v) 5 Establishment of Geo-Technological and concrete testing laboratory(5 youths) | 112.00 | 112.00 |

vi) 5 Steel Fabrication unit @ Rs. 16.00 lakh per unit | 80.00 | 80.00 |
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<th>vii) 10 Nos. of motor vehicle garage @Rs. 8.00 lakh</th>
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<td>viii) Organic Green Tea/Flat rice/Black rice etc. cultivation by user group</td>
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<td>7</td>
<td>Start-up fund, 20 entrepreneurs with projects from various sectors (agriculture, food processing, handlooms and handicrafts, manufacturing, performing arts, trade and services etc.) for providing seed capital of Rs. 5 lakhs to each entrepreneur as one time seed capital in the form of grant @ Rs. 5.00 lakh per unit</td>
<td>100.00</td>
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<td>SG to provide details about cooperatives / SHGs which will be the beneficiaries and unit cost break up. Funding cannot be given to individuals</td>
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|   | Total | 3541.69 | 3141.69 |

Summary of Release

(Rs. in lakh)

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<th>Amount approved by PAC in meeting dated 13.02.2019 for 2019-20 (Except recurring expenses for EMRS)</th>
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<td>B</td>
<td>Additional amount approved by PAC on 03.09.2019 for 2019-20</td>
<td>1231.69</td>
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<td>C</td>
<td>Amount already concurred in by IFD for release at this stage</td>
<td>1344.32</td>
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<td>Amount being released under the head of Grant-in-aid General (GG)</td>
<td>1344.32</td>
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2. You may please transfer the amount immediately to the Government of Assam and advise RBI, CAS, Nagpur for crediting the above-mentioned amount to the accounts of the State Government of Assam 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. 13,44,32,000/- (Rupees Thirteen Crore Forty-Four Lakh Thirty-Two 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
5. The State Government will implement the projects within the amount released by the Ministry during 2018-19 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. 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.

8. 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.

9. 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.

10. 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.

11. This sanction issues in exercise of the delegated powers in consultation with Integrated Finance of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs vide their FTS No. 14150/JS&FA/2019 dated 25.09.2019

12. Certified that this sanction has been noted at S. No. in the register for the year 2019-20.

Yours faithfully,

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4. The Principal Secretary, Finance Department, Government of Assam, Guwahati.
5. The Principal Secretary, Planning Department, Government of Assam, Guwahati.
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8. Niti Aayog, BC Division, Niti Bhawan, New Delhi.
9. Niti Aayog, SP Division, Niti Bhawan, New Delhi.
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