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 Meghalaya (Grant-in-aid General-Recurring).

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India for release of an amount of Rs. 5,09,00,000/- (Rupees Five Crore Nine Lakh Only), to the Government of Meghalaya towards Grant-in-aid General (GG) for Grants under Article 275(1) of the Constitution for the year 2019-20 to carry out the following activities approved in the PAC meeting held on 12.02.2019 which are as follows (except recurring expenditure under EMRS):

### 1.1 Committed Liability:

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<th>Sl. No.</th>
<th>Project Description</th>
<th>Year of first Approval</th>
<th>Location / District</th>
<th>Total Project Estimate</th>
<th>Amount Already Released</th>
<th>Amount sought during 2019-20</th>
<th>Remarks</th>
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<td>1.</td>
<td>Construction of one EMRS @Rs. 16.00 crore</td>
<td>2016-17</td>
<td>Umling, Nongpoh, Ribhoi Distt.</td>
<td>1600.00</td>
<td>409.15</td>
<td>0.00</td>
<td>State Govt. requested to release the balance amount of Rs. 1190.85 lakh during 2020-21. PAC agreed to it.</td>
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<td>2.</td>
<td>Construction of EMRS in the State @Rs. 16.00 crore</td>
<td>2018-19</td>
<td>Samanda, East Garo Hills Distt.</td>
<td>1600.00</td>
<td>400.00</td>
<td>0.00</td>
<td>State Govt. requested to release the balance amount of Rs. 1200.00 lakh to during 2020-21. PAC agreed to it.</td>
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### 1.2 New Activities:

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<td>1</td>
<td>Log houses/ infrastructure at Shnongpdeng, East Khasi Hills</td>
<td>Shnongpdeng village West Jaintia Hills</td>
<td>500.00</td>
<td>PAC approved Rs. 500.00 Lakhs.</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Mission Lakadong</td>
<td>Lakadong village, West Jaintia Hills</td>
<td>500.00</td>
<td>PAC approved Rs. 500.00 Lakh.</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Establishment of Farmers’ Market at Jengial, West Garo Hills</td>
<td>Jengial village, West Garo Hills</td>
<td>1000.00</td>
<td>PAC approved Rs. 1000.00 Lakh.</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>Mission Jackfruit</td>
<td>Khasi, Jaintia &amp; Garo Hills</td>
<td>500.00</td>
<td>PAC approved Rs. 500.00 Lakh.</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>Sounds and lights at Shillong International Centre for Performing Arts &amp; Culture, Shillong (Phase –I)</td>
<td>Shillong, East Khasi Hills</td>
<td>1285.00</td>
<td>PAC approved Rs. 1285.00 Lakh.</td>
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<td>upon the submission of Detailed</td>
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<td>Project Report of the project.</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>Extension and completion of Isolation Ward at Tura Civil Hospital, West Garo Hills</td>
<td>Tura, West Garo Hills</td>
<td>100.00</td>
<td>PAC approved Rs. 100.00 Lakh.</td>
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<td>7</td>
<td>Cancer Wing, Civil Hospital, Shillong</td>
<td>Shillong, East Khasi Hills</td>
<td>372.00</td>
<td>PAC approved Rs. 372.00 Lakh.</td>
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<td>8</td>
<td>Nongtalang Govt. Higher Secondary School, Nongtalang</td>
<td>Nongtalang, West Jaintia Hills</td>
<td>375.00</td>
<td>PAC approved Rs. 375.00 Lakh.</td>
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<td>9</td>
<td>Construction of school building at UmniuhTmar, Govt. L.P School, Umniuh School</td>
<td>Umniuh village, East Khasi Hills</td>
<td>50.00</td>
<td>PAC approved Rs. 50.00 Lakh.</td>
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<td>10</td>
<td>Community Multi Facility Centre at Mawkliaw Village</td>
<td>Mawkliaw Village</td>
<td>100.00</td>
<td>PAC approved Rs. 100.00 Lakh.</td>
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<td><strong>4782.00</strong></td>
<td><strong>Rs. 4782.00 lakh</strong></td>
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**Summary of Release (Rs. in lakh)**

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<td>A</td>
<td>Total Amount approved for 2019-20(Except recurring expenses for EMRS)</td>
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<td>B</td>
<td>Amount concurred in by IFD for release at this stage</td>
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<td>C</td>
<td>Amount being released under the head of Grant-in-aid General</td>
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2. No UC is due for rendition.

3. You may please transfer the amount immediately to the Government of Meghalaya and advise RBI, CAS, Nagpur for crediting the above-mentioned amount to the accounts of the State Government of Meghalaya 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. 5,09,00,000/-** (Rupees Five Crore Nine Lakh 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)
   - 05.01.31 - Grant-in-aid General (Charged)
   - Demand No. - 98 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. 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.

11. 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.

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. 14164/JS&FA/2019 dated 23.10.2019.

13. Certified that this sanction has been noted at S. No. 24 in the register of grants.

Yours faithfully,

(M K Jha)

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3. Secretary, Planning Department, Government of Meghalaya, Shillong
4. Commissioner, Tribal Welfare Deptt., Government of Meghalaya, Shillong
5. NITI Aayog, Plan Coordination Division, NITI Bhawan, New Delhi
6. NITI Aayog, BC Division, NITI Bhawan, New Delhi.
7. NITI Aayog, State Plan Division, NITI Bhawan, New Delhi.
8. The Resident Commissioner, Government of Meghalaya, Meghalaya Bhawan, New Delhi.
9. Ministry of Finance (Department of Expenditure), PF-I Section, North Block, New Delhi.
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