F.No.11015/02(27)/2019-Grants  
Government of India  
Ministry of Tribal Affairs  

Jeevan Tara Building, New Delhi-110001  
Dated: 10.02.2020

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,

In continuation of this Ministry’s letter dated 25.09.2019 and 04.10.2019, I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India for release of an amount of Rs. 38,86,00,000/- (Rupees Thirty Eight Crore Eighty-Six Lakh Only), 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 approved in the PAC meeting held on 22.01.2020:

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

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<td>1.</td>
<td>Creation of Minor Irrigation infrastructure; solar &amp; Electric power interchangeable operated submersible pump to irrigate 10 to 15 acres of contiguous agril-land belonging to ST small and marginal farmers Unit cost – Rs. 7.83 lakh X 350 units= Rs. 2740.00 lakh as per Minor Irrigation Department’s norms.</td>
<td>Alipurduar, Jalpaiguri, Sakshin Dinajpur, Malda, Bankura Paschim edinipur and Jhargram</td>
<td>PAC observed that out of the total projected cost of Rs. 2740.00 lakh, an amount of Rs. 504.00 lakh already released. Hence, PAC approves remaining Rs. 2236.00 lakh.</td>
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<td>2.</td>
<td>Critical infrastructure development – last mile connectivity with Tribal Hamlets, Cause way, Culvert, Guard wall – in principal approval was accorded against additional proposal submitted earlier</td>
<td>Alipurduar, Jalpaiguri, Bankura Purulia, Paschim Medinipur, Jhargram</td>
<td>PAC approved an amount of Rs. 500.00 lakh</td>
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<td>3.</td>
<td>Construction of new staff quarter in each of the 7 EMRSs. @Rs. 300.00 lakh. for 7 EMRSs total cost Rs. 2100.00 lakh</td>
<td>Jalpaiguri, Dakshin Dinajpur Burdwan, Bankura, Purulia, Paschim Medinipur.</td>
<td>PAC approved an amount of Rs. 1000.00 lakh. However, SG is</td>
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4. Admin cost

PAC approved an amount of Rs. 150.00 lakh

GRAND TOTAL
Approved is Rs. 3886.00 lakh

Summary of Release (Rs. in lakh)

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<th>A. Total Amount approved by PAC on 22.01.2020 for 2019-20</th>
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<td>Amount concurred in by LFD for release at this stage</td>
<td>3886.00</td>
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<td>Amount being released under the head of Creation of Capital Assets (CCA)</td>
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2. No UC is due for rendition.

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. 38,86,00,000/- (Rupees Thirty Eight Crore Eighty-Six Lakh Only), is deitable 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. - 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.

[Signature]
Smt. KUMARI JHA
Under Secretary
Ministry of Tribal Affairs
Government of India
New Delhi
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.

14. Certified that this sanction has been noted at S. No. 71 in the register of grants.

Yours faithfully,

(MK Jha)

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Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:

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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, Kolakata.
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.
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