F.No.11015/ 03(20)/2023-Grants
Government of India
Ministry of Tribal Affairs

Jeevan Tara, New Delhi-110001
Dated: 21.12.2023

To

The Pay & Accounts Officer,
Ministry of Tribal Affairs,
Shastri Bhawan,
New Delhi-11001.

Subject: Grants under Proviso to Article 275(1) of Constitution during 2023-24 to the State Government of Sikkim (Creation of Capital Assets).

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India for release of an amount of **Rs. 2,31,29,000/- (Rupees Two Crore Thirty One Lakh Twenty Nine Thousand Only),** to the Government of **Sikkim** towards Creation of Capital Assets (CCA) for **Grants under Article 275(1) of the Constitution** for the year 2023-24 to carry out the following activities:

Annual Plan under Article 275(1) for financial year 2023-24

Committed Liability:

(Rs. In lakhs)

S. No.	Activity	Location	Total cost of the project	Funds Already released	Funds sought during 2023-24	Fund approved by PAC
1.	Construction of Ashram School for girls and boys, Jushingthang, Soreng **Sanction Year: 2014-15 (Education Division)**	Jushingthang, Soreng/ 261063	1150.55	919.25	231.29	**231.29**
	PAC approved an amount of **Rs.231.29 lakhs** and no CL for subsequent years, subject to the condition that the entire estimate must have technical and financial sanctions from the competent authority.					
	Total (A)					**231.29**

Summary of Release

(Rs. In lakh)

A	Share of allocation for 2023-24 under Article 275(1)	800.00
B	Previous year pending UC (-)	467.04
C	Admissible amount (A-B)	332.96
D	Total fund approved by PAC for 2023-24	231.29
E	**Fund being released under the head of Creation of Capital Assets**	**231.29**

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2. You may please transfer the amount immediately to the Government of **Sikkim** and advise RBI, CAS, Nagpur for crediting the above-mentioned amount to the accounts of the State Government of **Sikkim** 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 TSS Division of the Ministry.

3. No UC is due for rendition.

4. The expenditure to the tune of **Rs. 2,31,29,000/- (Rupees Two Crore Thirty One Lakh Twenty 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.	-	100 for 2023-24 of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs

5. The State Government will implement the projects within the amount released by the Ministry during 2023-24 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. 18015/06/2019-Grants dated 23.04.2020 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 2.1 and 2.2 of revised guidelines dated 23.04.2020.

8. 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.

9. 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 as per provision of GFR 2017.

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10. This sanction issues in exercise of the delegated powers in consultation with Integrated Finance of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs vide their **FTS No. 25543/JS&FA/2023 dated 20.12.2023.**

11. Certified that this sanction has been noted at **S. No.** 08 in the register of grants 2023-24.

Yours faithfully,

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3) Principal Secretary, Finance Department, Government of Sikkim, Gangtok .
4) Secretary, Planning Department, Government of Sikkim, Gangtok.
5) Principal Secretary, Department of Social Justice, Empowerment & Welfare, Government of Sikkim, Gangtok.
6) Commissioner, Department of Social Justice, Empowerment & Welfare, Government of Sikkim, Gangtok.
7) Niti Aayog, Plan Coordination Division, Niti Bhawan, New Delhi.
8) The Principal Resident Commissioner, Government of Sikkim, Sikkim Bhawan, New Delhi.
9) Ministry of Finance (Department of Expenditure), PF-I Section, North Block, New Delhi.
10) National Commission for Scheduled Tribes, Lok Nayak, Bhawan, 5th Floor, New Delhi.
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