To
The Pay & Accounts Officer (Sectt.),
(Loans & Grants Section), Deptt. of Agri., Coopn. & Farmers Welfare.
Akbar Road Hutments
New Delhi-110001.

Subject: Release of funds to Government of Himachal Pradesh under ‘Support to State Extension Programmes for Extension Reforms(ATMA)’ component of Centrally Sponsored Scheme “Sub-Mission on Agriculture Extension (SMAE)” during 2016-17 (General) - regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India to the release of funds to the tune of Rs.206.11 lakh (Rupees Two crore, six lakh and eleven thousand only) towards Grants-in-aid to Government of Himachal Pradesh for implementation of ‘Support to State Extension Programmes for Extension Reforms (ATMA)’ component of Centrally Sponsored Scheme “Sub-Mission on Agriculture Extension (SMAE)” during 2016-17 (General Component).

2. The grant is on ad-hoc basis for meeting recurring and non-recurring expenditure as per approved State Extension Work Plan (SEWP) 2016-17. The funds would be utilized in public interest and strictly for the approved components of the scheme within the terms and conditions laid down in EFC and CCEA.

3. No further funds will be released till the previous grant have been fully utilized or surrendered to the Government of India.

4. In terms of Rule 211(1) of General Financial Rules, 2005, the accounts of grantee institutions or organizations shall be open to inspection by the sanctioning authority and audit, both by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India under the provision of CAG(DPC) Act, 1971 and internal Audit by the Principal Accounts Office of the Ministry or Department, whenever the institution or organization is called upon to do so.

5. The accounts of the Scheme shall be maintained properly and separately and submitted as and when required. They shall be open to inspection by an officer deputed by the Government of India or the State Government.

6. The audited statement of receipt and expenditure (Item-wise) together with Utilization Certificate in the prescribed form are required to be furnished immediately but not later than 12 months after the closing of the financial year.

7. The State Government shall maintain a record of all assets acquired wholly or substantially out of the Government grant and maintain a register of such assets in the prescribed proforma contained in General Financial Rules, 2005. Such assets shall not be disposed off, encumbered or utilized for purpose other than those for which the grant was given, without prior sanction of the Government of India.

8. The State Government and Scheme Officer in Directorate of Extension, New Delhi shall ensure submission of timely return in respect of activities under the Scheme “Sub-Mission on Agriculture Extension (SMAE)” for which grants is being sanctioned.

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9. The State Government shall ensure 10% state share for all components under the scheme except farmers friends where it will be on 50:50 basis between the Center & State.

10. The expenditure involved will be met from the sanctioned budget grant of the Directorate of Extension for the financial year 2016-17 and debitable to the following Head of Accounts under Demand No.1-Department of Agriculture & Cooperation:-

   Demand No.1- Agriculture
   3601 - Grants-in-aid to State Governments (Major Head)
   02 - Grants for State Plan Schemes (Sub-Major Head)
   448 - Crop Husbandry – Extension and Farmers Training
   02 - Krishonnati Yojna – State Plan
   01 - Sub-Mission on Agriculture Extension(Centrally Sponsored Scheme)
   020131 - Grants-in-aid General - Rs.206.11 lakh


12. No Utilization Certificate is due with the grantee organization for rendition in the said scheme. The unspent balance of the previous years grant has been taken into account in sanctioning the grant for the current year.

13. The grant is recurring in nature.

14. In terms of Rule 212(4) (b) of General Financial Rules, 2005, entry of grants-in-aid has been made in ECR at Sl. No.720 dated 02.01.2017 in Budget Section of DAC&FW.


Yours faithfully,

(M. L. Atal)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

Copy for information and necessary action to:-

1. Director(Administration), Directorate of Extension, Krishi Vistar Bhawan, Pusa, New Delhi with the request to ensure creation of Sanction ID by the Drawing & Disbursing Officer of the Directorate of Extension.
2. Deputy Director (Admn./ Deputy Director(A/cs)/ Asstt. Admn. Officer (B & A/cs), Dte. of Extn., New Delhi.
3. PS to Joint Secretary (Extn.) / Director (Extn.) / Under Secretary(Extn.), DAC&FW, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
4. Section Officer(Extension Desk), DAC&FW, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
5. Under Secretary(General)/ Budget Section / Budget & A/cs Section, DAC&FW, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
6. Special Secretary(Agriculture), Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh Secretariat, Shimla-171002 (HP).
8. Director(Agric).Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Deptt. of Agri., Krishi Bhawan, Nalagarh House, Shimla-171005 (HP).
9. Director, State Agricultural Management & Extension Training Institute(SAMETI), Mashobra, Shimla-171007.
11. PAO(Compilation Section), DAC&FW, Akbar Road Hutments, New Delhi.
13. Joint Director(Extension Reforms)/ Consultant (Extension Reforms)

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