

F.No.36-8/2017-AE/Extn. Desk
Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare

Krishi Bhawan
New Delhi - 110 001.

Dated the 13th June, 2023.

To

The Pay & Accounts Officer (Sectt.),
(Loans & Grants Section), Deptt. of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare.
1st Floor, Jeewan Tara Building,
New Delhi-110001.

Subject: Release of Grants-in-aid(1st Installment) to Government of Himachal Pradesh under 'Support to State Extension Programmes for Extension Reforms (ATMA)' component of Centrally Sponsored Scheme "Agriculture Extension" under Krishonnati Yojana during 2023-24 (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.226.82075 lakh (Rupees Two crore, twenty-six lakh, eighty-two thousand and seventy-five only)** towards Grants-in-aid (1st Installment) to Government of Himachal Pradesh for implementation of 'Support to State Extension Programmes for Extension Reforms (ATMA)' component of Centrally Sponsored Scheme "Agriculture Extension" during 2023-24 (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) 2023-24. 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 236(1) of General Financial Rules, 2017, 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, 2017. 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 "Agriculture Extension" for which grants is being sanctioned.
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.

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10. The State Government/Grantee Organization shall submit an Audited Certificate of actual utilization of grant-in-aid sanctioned in prescribed proforma (GFR-12 C) specifying the report on targets and achievement-cum-performance reports in terms of Rules-242(2) of GFR, 2017 to the sanctioning authority.
11. 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 current year.
12. The grant is recurring in nature.
13. The State Government/Nodal Implementing Agency will have to report on utilization of funds released and submit the physical and financial performance reports as well as utilization certificates in the prescribed proforma at the end of the financial year 2023-24. The Utilization Certificate to this effect will be submitted to this office in hard copy and also to be uploaded on the PFMS portal by the State Department/Implementing Agency.
14. The State Implementing Department/Agency should ensure to follow procedure for release and utilization of the funds under the respective schemes of Krishonnati Yojana as per the O.M. No.1(13) PFMS/FCD/2020 dated 23.03.2021 and subsequent OMs of Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, Government of India.
15. The expenditure involved will be met from the sanctioned budget grant of the Directorate of Extension for the financial year 2023-24 and debit 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)
06 - Centrally Sponsored Scheme (Sub Major Head)
101 - Central Assistance /Share (Minor Head)
95 - Krishonnati Yojna
03 - Agriculture Extension
950331 - Grants-in-aid General - **Rs.226.82075 lakh**

16. In terms of Rule 234 of General Financial Rules, 2017, entry of grants-in-aid has been made in **ECR at SI. No.50 dated 13.06.2023** in Budget Section of DA&FW.
17. This issues with the concurrence of the Integrated Finance Division, DA&FW, vide their **Dy.No.82905/AS&FA dated 12.06.2023**.

Yours faithfully,

डी. पोन्नी/D. PONNI
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Copy for information and necessary action to:-

1. Director(Administration), Directorate of Extension, Krishi Vistar Bhavan, 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.)/Deputy Secretary(Extn.)/ Under Secretary(Extn.),DA&FW, Krishi Bhawan, N Delhi.
4. Section Officer(Extension Desk), DA&FW, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
5. Under Secretary(Finance-V)/ Budget Section / Budget & A/cs Section, DA&FW, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
6. Special Secretary(Agriculture), Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh Secretariat, Shimla-171002 (HP).
7. Office of the Accountant General of the Himachal Pradesh.
8. Director (Agriculture),Government of Himachal Pradesh, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare, Krishi Bhawan, Nalagarh House, Shimla-171005 (Himachal Pradesh).
9. Director, State Agricultural Management & Extension Training Institute(SAMETI), Mashobra, Shimla-171007.
10. Hindi Anuvad Anubhag – Directorate of Extension – for rendering Hindi version of sanction letter to this Unit.
11. PAO(Compilation Section), DA&FW, Akbar Road Hutments, New Delhi.
12. Resident Commissioner, Government of Himachal Pradesh located in New Delhi.
13. Director(Extension Reforms)-BS /Guard File.

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