

No. J-22012/16/2019-CS(W)
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
Pt. Deendayal Antyodaya Bhawan
CGO Complex, Lodi Road, New Delhi-110 003
Dated: 30th October, 2019

To

The Pay & Accounts Officer
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
New Delhi-110003

Sub: Financial Assistance for organization of two days Regional workshop on "Conservation & Management of Wetlands" for Wetlands Managers & stakeholders of Northern States during November, 2019 (tentatively) at Chandigarh-regarding

Sir,

I am directed to convey the approval of the president of India to sanction and release of an amount of **Rs. 9,97,500/- (Rupees nine lakh ninety seven thousand five hundred only)** to the Himachal Pradesh Wetland Authority (HPSWA), Government of Himachal Pradesh to meet the recurring expenditure for organising above mentioned workshop for Wetlands Managers & stakeholders of Northern States (Punjab, J&K, Ladakh, Himachal Pradesh, Haryana & Uttarakhand) during November, 2019 (tentatively) at Chandigarh, as per the following break-up:

Sr. No.	Particulars/items	Rates per unit	Amount sanctioned (Amt in Rs)
1	Venue arrangement charges for the lodges	@ 25,000/- per day×2 days	50,000
2	Lodging and Boarding of Experts/Resource persons/others	@ 20,000/- per person x 9 person (5 resource persons + 4 MoEF&CC officials)	1,80,000
3	Lodging and Boarding of Participants	@ 20,000/- per person×15 participants	3,00,000
4	Travel of Resource Persons	L/S	1,20,000
5	Two days lunch and snacks to the participants	@ 2000/- per person per day×30persons×2days	1,20,000
6	Workshop Resource material kit for 70 people	@ 2000/- per person×30	60,000
7	Transportation charges for three days	@6500/-per day×5 persons×3 days	97,500
8	Miscellaneous Expenditure(Photographer, Banner, photocopies) Souvenir	L/S	40,000



	honorarium		
9	Contingency Expenditure	L/S	30,000
Total Amount sanctioned and released			9,97,500

2. The amount admissible will be as per actual expenditure.
3. On the receipt of the grant, the State Govt. of Himachal Pradesh will release the grant immediately to the Himachal Pradesh Wetland Authority (HPSWA), Government of Himachal Pradesh (Implementing Agency (IA), for organising two days Regional workshop on Conservation & Management of Wetlands for Wetlands Managers & Stakeholders of Northern States during November, 2019 at Chandigarh.
4. The grants-in-aid will be regulated in accordance with the provisions contained in the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India. The Grants-In-Aid is also subject to the Chapter 9 of the General Financial Rules, 2005, as amended from time to time, read with the Government of India's decisions incorporated there under, any other guidelines which may be issued in this regard, and in particular to the following conditions:-
 - (i) All relevant information and documents/certificates as required under GFR 209(1) have been received.
 - (ii) The patterns of assistance of rules governing such grants-in-aid have received the approval of the Ministry of Finance, as required under Govt. of India Decision No. (1) under DFPR – Rules 20.
 - (iii) Assets acquired wholly substantially out of Government Grants shall not be disposed off without obtaining the prior approval of the sanctioning authority of Grants-in-aid.
 - (iv) Himachal Pradesh Wetland Authority (HPSWA), Government of Himachal Pradesh shall be audited by C&AG or by any person authorized by him on his behalf in accordance with the provisions laid down in Section 14 of the C&AG (DPC 1971) as amended from time to time.
 - (v) Himachal Pradesh Wetland Authority (HPSWA), Government of Himachal Pradesh should not debit any overhead charges from the Grants- in-Aid.
 - (vi) The accounts of the Himachal Pradesh Wetland Authority (HPSWA), Government of Himachal Pradesh shall be open for inspection by the sanctioning authority and audit, both by the Comptroller & Auditor General of India under the provision of C&AG (DPC) Act, 1971 and internal audit party by the Principal Accounts Office of the Ministry or Department whenever it is called upon to do so.
 - (vii) Himachal Pradesh Wetland Authority (HPSWA), Government of Himachal Pradesh shall furnish utilization certificate (UC) and workshop report along with its request for release of Grants-in-Aid certifying that the fund released to them for which Utilization Certificates has been utilized exclusively in pursuance of

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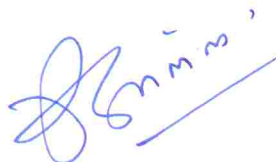
object envisaged in the Rules/Memorandum of Himachal Pradesh Wetland Authority (HPSWA), Government of Himachal Pradesh and that the grant has been spent with the extent instruction/rules and with the approval of competent authority in each case.

- (viii) Performance-cum-achievement report from the Himachal Pradesh Wetland Authority (HPSWA), Government of Himachal Pradesh will be received within prescribed time limit.
- (ix) Himachal Pradesh Wetland Authority (HPSWA), Government of Himachal Pradesh will spend Grants-in-Aid exclusively in pursuance of the objectives envisaged in rules/memorandum of (name of the institution) and for the purpose it is being sanctioned.
- (x) Grants-in-Aid to the Himachal Pradesh Wetland Authority (HPSWA), Government of Himachal Pradesh is subject to the Economy Instructions issued from time to time by the M/o Finance or by the Competent Authority.
- (xi) Grants-in-Aid shall be utilized before the end of the current financial year 2019-20 and unspent balance, if any, will be refunded by the Himachal Pradesh Wetland Authority (HPSWA), Government of Himachal Pradesh to the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Govt. of India.
- (xii) Himachal Pradesh Wetland Authority (HPSWA), Government of Himachal Pradesh will maintain and present their annual accounts in the standard format as required under GFR 209.
- (xiii) Himachal Pradesh Wetland Authority (HPSWA), Government of Himachal Pradesh will have to spend the amount sanctioned to them up to 31st March, 2020.

5. In addition to the terms and conditions detailed in para 3 above, this release is subject to the following conditions:

- (iv) As per instructions of DBT cell, a separate interest earning bank account shall be opened for the purpose and the account shall be open for audit by Central Government or C&AG and compliance with Direct Benefit Transfer scheme. All payments shall be made electronically only through bank transfer, and no cash payments, are to be made by the Implementing Agency. The interest thus earned should be credited to the project and reflected in the Utilization Certificate from time to time and shall be adjusted towards future fund release for the project.
- (v) GFR is followed by implementing agency along with the economy instructions issued by Government of India from time to time.
- (vi) The Utilization Certificate with photographs and progress report shall be uploaded in the website of the State Government and this Ministry would load on Government of India website for Public viewing.

6. The Utilization Certificate (U.C.) and Physical Progress of work undertaken for the released amount shall be submitted on quarterly basis. The U.C. in the GFR-19 A



format shall be signed and stamped by the Head of the Deptt./ authorized representative and also by Accounts Officer. Component wise break-up of expenditure on Central and State's share shall be provided.

7. In accordance with the revised procedure, the Reserve Bank of India may be advised for debiting the amount of **Rs. 9,97,500/- (Rupees nine lakh ninety seven thousand five hundred only)** to the account of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change and passing on the credit to the Central Accounts Section, Nagpur for transfer to the **State Government of Himachal Pradesh** in the books to the later.

8. Violation of any of the terms may result in recovery of the amount given as assistance for the above mentioned activities.

9. The expenditure is debitible to Major Head: **3601.06.101.03.03.35-** Grants for Creation of Capital Assets under the National Plan for Conservation of Aquatic Ecosystems under Demand No. 25 of Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change during financial year 2019-20 (Plan).

10. The sanction has been issued under the powers delegated to the Ministries/ Departments with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division vide their Dy. No. **P-123667/AS&FA/2019** dated **24.10.2019**.

Yours faithfully,


(Chandan Singh)
Scientist 'D'

Copy to:

1. The Secretary, Department of Science, Technology and Environment, Government of H.P.
2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Govt of H.P. Shimla
3. The Joint Member Secretary, Himachal Pradesh State Wetlands Authority (HSWA) office of Himachal Pradesh Council for Science, Technology and Environment, Vigyan Bhawan, Bemloe, Shimla-171001 (Himachal Pradesh)
4. The Secretary, Department of Finance, Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla.
5. Accountant General, Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla
6. Pay & Accounts Officer, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, New Delhi.
7. Director of Audit, Commerce, Works & Misc.-II, AGCR Building, I.P. Estate, New Delhi-110002.
8. The Manager, Reserve Bank of India, Central Account Section, Nagpur.
9. IFD/B&A Section.


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