To
Chief Controller of Accounts,
Principal Accounts Office,
Ministry of Women & Child Development
New Delhi.


Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President to the payment of ₹15,27,44,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Crore Twenty Seven Lakh and Forty Four Thousand only) as fourth installment of grants-in-aid during 2019-20 towards GOI's share for implementation of Supplementary Nutrition Programme for 3rd & 4th Quarter upto 31.03.2020 of 2019-20 under the Anganwadi Services Scheme to the State of Himachal Pradesh.

2. Supplementary Nutrition Programme (SNP) is a DBT Scheme and States/UTs are mandated to implement SNP strictly in DBT mode w.e.f. 1st April, 2018 in terms of notification issued under the Aadhaar Act, 2016. Accordingly, States/UTs are required to take following action:

(i) Authentication of all beneficiaries using Aadhaar as primary identifier;
(ii) Follow exception handling mechanism for beneficiaries not having Aadhaar;
(iii) Ensure that no genuine beneficiary is denied of the benefits and services for not possessing Aadhaar; and
(iv) Eliminate ghost/fake beneficiaries from the system by head count or Aadhaar authentication.

3. Anganwadi Services Scheme is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme in which the Centre and States/UTs both have contributions. In the above release, the Centre contributions have been calculated on 90:10 ratio between Centre and States and the sanction of funds is subject to the following conditions:

(i) The amount of grant will have to be utilized for all the components under the Scheme as per the schematic norms; and
(ii) The States/UTs shall also be required to contribute adequate amount for implementation of the Anganwadi Services Scheme.

4. The sanction of funds is also contingent upon States/UTs ensuring e-procurement of goods and services under Anganwadi Services Scheme. The advisory in this regard has already been issued to all States/UTs vide circular No.19-37/2015-CD-I, dated 09.07.2015.

5. As per rule 236(1), the accounts of all Grantee Institutions or Organisations 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 Organisation is called upon to do so and a provision to this effect should invariably be incorporated in all orders sanctioning Grants-in-aid.

Dr. P. Ashok Babu
Director
Ministry of Women & Child Development
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6. The expenditure is debitible to the Major Head '3601'—Grants-in-aid to State Governments; 06-Centrally Sponsored Schemes (Sub Major Head); 06.789-Special Component Plan Scheduled Caste; 42-Anganwadi Services; 42.00.31-Grants-in-aid General Demand No. 99 of the Ministry of Women & Child Development for the year 2019-20 (Plan).

7. The amount of grant-in-aid is finally adjustable in the books of the Principal Pay and Accounts Office, Ministry of Women & Child Development, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi. The payment of the State would be arranged through the Reserve Bank of India, Nagpur. The State Accountant Generals will send intimation regarding receipt of grant-in-aid to the Principal Pay & Accounts Office, Ministry of Women & Child Development, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.

8. The State/UT shall maintain separate accounts and furnish information on actual expenditure incurred on supplementary nutrition every quarter. The information on expenditure on supplementary nutrition from 1st April to 30th June must be furnished by 15th July and for the period from 1st July to 30th September by 15th March and from the period 1st March to 31st March by 15th January and from 1st January to 31st March by 15th April to enable the Ministry to work out the entitlement of Central assistance of the State Government/UT Administration.


Yours faithfully,

(Dr. P. ASHOK BABU)
Director (Anganwadi Services)

Copy forwarded to:
1. Secretary dealing with Anganwadi Services Scheme, Government of Himachal Pradesh.
2. Secretary, Department of Health, Government of Himachal Pradesh.
3. Secretary, Department of Finance, Government of Himachal Pradesh.
4. Secretary, Department of Planning, Government of Himachal Pradesh.
5. Director dealing with Anganwadi Services Scheme, Government of Himachal Pradesh.
6. Director, Department of Health Services, Government of Himachal Pradesh.
8. Director of Audit, Central Revenues, AGCR Building, I.P. Estate, New Delhi.
9. Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure (Plan Finance Division), North Block, New Delhi.
10. Director (Anganwadi Services), MWCD.
11. Director, NIC (WCD) for uploading the sanction on website of MWCD.
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