

F. No. J-11060/18/2017-MGNREGA(RE-III) SI. No.33

Government of India
Ministry of Rural Development
(Department of Rural Development)
(Mahatma Gandhi NREGA Division)

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi

Date: 26.05.2017

To

The Pay & Accounts Officer,
Government of India,
Ministry of Rural Development,
Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.

Subject– Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) – on account payment of 2nd instalment of 1st tranche of Central Assistance for financial year 2017-18 to the State Government of Himachal Pradesh.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India to the payment of Grants-in-aid amounting to **Rs.10,24,52,000/- (Rupees Ten Crore Twenty Four Lakh Fifty Two Thousand Only)** to the State Government of Himachal Pradesh as Central assistance towards material only for implementation of the MGNREGA for the financial year 2017-18.

2. The State Government must transfer these funds along with the State share to the State Employment Guarantee Fund for programme implementation within 3 days positively from the date of receipt of these funds. In case of non transfer beyond this period, Central Government may be constrained to stop further releases. Besides, the State Government would be liable to pay interest @ 12% for the period of delay beyond the specified period. The State Government is requested to endorse the copy of the release order to the Central Government addressed as under;

Dr.Suparna S. Pachouri, Director (MGNREGA)
Ministry of Rural Development, Krishi Bhawan,
New Delhi, 110001.Tel.No: 011-23382313

3. Further the following conditions shall be fulfilled in utilisation of these funds:
- Adherence to the time line indicated in the LB minutes of FY 2017-18 against various key activities.
 - In all Electronic Fund Management system (eFMS) 'implemented' areas, the funds shall be maintained at the State level; and there shall be no intermediary accounts. All payments in these areas shall move directly from the State fund to the destination accounts based on the pay order generated at the Block/Gram Panchayat level.
 - Where eFMS is not yet implemented, steps shall be taken to implement the same at the earliest.
 - The detailed voucher-based data shall be available in the NREGASoft for all the expenditure done.
 - The material component including wages of skilled and semi-skilled labour shall not exceed 40% at district level.
 - The Expenditure of material component including wages of skilled and semi-skilled labour will be shared between Centre and State Government in the ratio of 75:25.
 - This grant is towards plan expenditure and shall be utilized for approved items of works subject to the conditions laid down in the MGNREGA Guidelines. No deviation from the provisions of the Guidelines is permissible.
 - The Utilization Certificate should be submitted within 12 (Twelve) months of the closure of financial year which shall include interest accrued. Interest accrued should be computed based on the details of ledger account maintained for the purpose.
4. No Utilization Certificate is pending against the Recipient Organization under the Scheme.

5. The accounts of the grantee institutions will be audited by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India and the Internal Audit of the Principal Accounts Office of the Ministry in terms of Rule 211 (1) of the General Financial Rules.

6. The expenditure is debit to the following Head of Accounts under Demand No. 82 Department of Rural Development (2017-2018).

3601	Grants-in-aid to State Governments (Major Head)
06	Centrally Sponsored Schemes
101	Central Assistance/Share
28	Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment
28.01	Programme Component-MGNREGA
28.01.35	Grants for creation of Capital Assets.

7. The Pay & Accounts Officer, M/O Rural Development will be the Drawing & Disbursing Officer for the purpose. The amount mentioned in Para -1 above will be transferred to the State Government of Himachal Pradesh

8. Performance of the State on the following parameters may also be kept in view by this Ministry while making further releases:

- Timely payment of wage to workers.
- Staffing of Social Audit Directorate in pursuance of Ministry's Letter No M-13015/2/2012-MGNREGA-VII (Pt) dated 11th August 2014 and subsequent instructions and the appointment of Ombudsmen in various districts.
- Status of implementation of Mission Water Conservation in the State.
- Settling of claims for compensation for delay in the payment of wages.
- Operation of the provision of unemployment allowance as per Section 7 of MGNREGA.

9. Conditions mentioned in the minutes of the LB meeting 2017-18 must be complied with before release of next instalment. The clarifications/replies sought from the State from time to time must be furnished without fail.

10. This issues under the powers delegated to this Ministry and in consultation with the Integrated Finance Division vide their U.O. No.195/Finance-I/2017-18 dated 25.05.2017.

Yours faithfully,


(Dr. Suparna S. Pachouri)
Director (MGNREGA)

Copy to:

- The Principal Secretary, Finance Department, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh
- The Principal Secretary, Rural Development Department, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh
- The Accountant General, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh.
- The Director of Audit, E & S Ministries, IP Estate, AGCR Building, New Delhi -110001.
- The Resident Commissioner, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Delhi for taking necessary action under in intimation to this Ministry.
- E.O. RE -V Section, MGNREGA.
- Economic Officer (Fin.-I)


(Dr. Suparna S. Pachouri)
Director (MGNREGA)