

**No.V-17013/31/2021-PR  
Government of India  
Ministry of Home Affairs**

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**Women Safety Division, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor,  
Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium,  
India Gate, New Delhi-110002**

**March 30, 2022**

**To**

**The Principal Accounts Office (A/Cs)  
Loan Sanction, Hall No. 6, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor,  
Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium,  
India Gate, New Delhi-110002**

**Sub: Release of funds as Grant-in-aid to State Government of Himachal Pradesh  
for Modernisation of Prisons.**

Sir,

Sanction of the President of India is hereby conveyed to the payment of Rs. 4,00,00,000/- (Rupees Four Crore only) to the State Government of Himachal Pradesh for Modernisation of Prisons.

2. The above amount will be sent through ECS/Transfer advice. The State Government will transfer the amount to the Prison Department of the State immediately.

3. The expenditure involved is debit to Grant No. 50-Police, 3601 Grants-in-aid to State Governments (Major Head), 08 Other Transfer/Grants to States (Sub-Major Head), 08.111 Special Assistance (Minor Head), 27 Modernisation of Prisons, 27.00.31 Grants-in-aid General, for the financial Year 2021-22.

4. The grantee shall ensure that the funds are utilized as per norms and GFR codal formalities, and should not lead to parking of funds. The State Government is required to submit Utilization Certificate for the amount released in the prescribed Performa (Form 12-C) on due date to the Ministry of Home Affairs.

5. As per GFR rule 211(1) the accounts shall be open to inspection by the sanctioning authority and the Internal Audit Wing of MHA, whenever the grantees are called upon to do so.

6. The grant may be released to the State Government immediately.

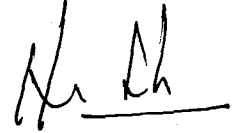
7. The Prison Department is responsible to utilize the sanctioned grants-in-aid in accordance with the Guidelines issued separately which are also available on MHA's website. The release of grant is subject to the following:-

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- (i) No posts shall be created by the Central Government.
- (ii) No committed liability or contingent liability will be created by the Central Government.
- (iii) For procurement of equipments etc., it may be ensured that GFR, Procurement Policy and other instructions of the Government of India issued from time to time are followed and procurement of equipments is done on aggregated basis for better price discovery.
- (iv) The expenditure would be on project mode with clear understanding that all future recurring and non-recurring expenditure after the project period would be borne by the States/UTs.
- (v) Data base of prisoners shall be updated.

8. This issues with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division vide Dy. No. 3545194/37 dated 29.3.2022.

Yours sincerely,



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2. The Chief Secretary, Government of Himachal Pradesh.
3. ACS/Principal Secretary, Home & Jail Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh .
4. ACS/Principal Secretary, Finance Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh.
5. DG/IG Prisons of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla.
6. The Accountant General, Government of Himachal Pradesh.
7. Director of Audit (Central Revenue), I.P. Estates, New Delhi.
8. Budget-I Section, Hall No. 6, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium, India Gate, New Delhi – 110002.
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