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Government of India
Ministry of Education (Shiksha Mantralaya)
Department of School Education and Literacy
(Adult Education Bureau)

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi,
Dated 17th September, 2024

To

The Pay & Accounts Officer,
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Department of School Education & Literacy,
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Shastri Bhawan,
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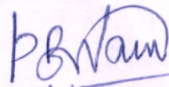
Subject: Release of Grant-in-Aid to the State of **Himachal Pradesh** for implementation of New India Literacy Programme (NILP), a scheme of Adult Education during the FY 2024-25 – SC Component- regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to say that the new scheme of Adult Education i.e. New India Literacy Programme (NILP) was approved by the Competent Authority for implementation in all the States/UTs in the country during the FYs 2022-23 to 2026-27. The meeting of the Project Approval Board (PAB) for the scheme was held on 22nd March, 2024 for consideration of the Annual Work Plan & Budget proposals of States/UTs for FY 2024-25 at Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi through video conferencing.

2. The PAB in its meeting had approved the coverage of **1,00,000 learners with a budget of Rs. 1,76,80,000/- (Central share: Rs.1,59,12,000/- and State share: Rs. 17,68,000/-) for Himachal Pradesh during the FY 2024-25**. SLMA Himachal Pradesh submitted the final proposal for implementation of NILP in Himachal Pradesh covering **1,00,000 learners with a budget outlay of Rs.1,76,80,000/- (Central share: Rs. 1,59,12,000/- and State share: Rs. 17,68,000/-)**. The component-wise details of financial ceiling, requirement of funds projected by SLMA, Himachal Pradesh and funds to be released vide this sanction by this Ministry for covering **1,00,000 learners** are as under:

S. No.	Component	Activity wise details of Annual Work Plan and Budget submitted by State/UT and approved by PAB (Rs.)	Funds proposed to be released 50 % as the first installment by the Ministry vide this proposal (Rs.)
1	2	3	4
1	Critical Life Skills and Foundational Literacy and Numeracy	1,65,00,000	82,50,000
2	Common Elements – Setting up of SCL in SCERT	5,00,000	2,50,000
3	Sub Total	1,70,00,000	85,00,000



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4	MME & Administrative expenses (4% of Sub Total)	6,80,000	3,40,000
5	Grand Total	1,76,80,000	88,40,000
6	Central Share (90%)	1,59,12,000	79,56,000
7	State Share (10%)	17,68,000	8,84,000

3. The grant may be utilized for mobilization and environment building activities at State, district, Block & Gram Panchayat level, identification of non-literates to be covered under Basic Literacy Programme through door to door survey and compilation of names and other details of each individual non-literate learner in prescribed software, procurement of infrastructure for Adult Education Centres, constitution of different level of Committees at ZP, Block & GP levels, procurement of teaching learning material and management cost of the programme at SLMA, ZP and Block level in the district covered under the programme.

4. Accordingly, I am directed to convey the sanction of President for release of an amount of **Rs.15,91,000/-** (Rupees Fifteen Lakh and Ninety One Thousand only) (For SC Component), [20% of First installment (Central Share) of **Rs.79,56,000/-**] as central share to the Government of Himachal Pradesh for the year 2024-25 for implementation of NILP in 13 districts of Himachal Pradesh, as proposed in Annual Work Plan by Himachal Pradesh and approved by PAB.

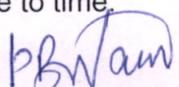
5. The State Government of Himachal Pradesh, will immediately release the amount along with the matching State share to the Education department or nodal department for implementation of New India Literacy Programme (NILP). Education department or nodal department for New India Literacy Programme (NILP) must release the component-wise Central Assistance along with matching State share to the State Literacy Mission Authority of Himachal Pradesh **immediately**.

6. The amount will be debatable to Demand No.25, Department of School Education & Literacy, Major Head "3601"- Grants-in aid to State Govt., 06 – Centrally Sponsored Schemes, 789- Special Component Plan for Scheduled Castes, 73- New India Literacy Programme 00.31 - Grants-in-aid General.

7. The amount of grant-in-aid is finally adjustable in the books of Principal Accounts Officer, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education and Literacy, D-Wing, Ground Floor, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi. On receipt of sanction letter, the Principal Accounts Officer may issue an advice to the Reserve Bank of India (Central accounts Section), Nagpur for affording credit to the balance of the State Government. The Principal accounts Officer may forward a copy to undersigned in the department of School Education & Literacy. State Government shall send intimation regarding receipt of grant-in-aid to Principal Accounts Officer, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education and Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.

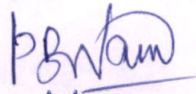
8. This Grant-in-aid is subject to the further conditions indicated below:-

- (i) The Programme will be implemented in accordance with the Scheme Guidelines and such other instructions issued or which may be issued, by the National Literacy Mission Authority from time to time.


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- (ii) The State share together with Central share must be released immediately by the State Government to their implementing agencies (IAs).
- (iii) All necessary actions are taken by States/UTs expeditiously and the Central share together with corresponding State share are utilized by them or their agencies, exactly as per the norms and financial parameters approved for the scheme, without delay to achieve the intended output and outcome of the Scheme envisaged for the current FY (2024-25).
- (iv) All the Committees at State/District/Block/village levels, as prescribed in the scheme, are set up by States/UTs for proper implementation of the scheme.
- (v) All monitoring mechanism at Centre/State/Dist/Block/village level as envisaged in the scheme for its proper implementation are put in place expeditiously;
- (vi) All infrastructures already set up in the previous scheme of 'Saakshar Bharat'/ Padhna Likhna Abhiyan, particularly at block/village level like 'Adult Education Centre (AEC)' need to be utilized for this scheme. The benefit of convergence of the scheme with other ongoing Central schemes like MGNREGA, Skill Development, IEC etc. as envisaged in the scheme needs to be availed of;
- (vii) All States/UTs, where funds are being released, are required to obtain Utilization Certificates & Audited Statement of Accounts from their implementing agencies, on completion of FY 2024-25, and submit the same, after verification & authentication, to this Department.
- (viii) The Implementing Agency may be asked by State Governments to indicate if there is any unspent balance of central share available with them out of the previous scheme of 'Saakshar Bharat' and 'Padhna Likhna Abhiyan'so as to refund the same.
- (ix) The SLMA should closely monitor the programme and interact with the nodal officer in the NLMA on a regular basis for sending QPRs and MPRs in such format and at such intervals as prescribed by the NLMA.
- (x) SLMA is also required to submit the physical and financial progress on line on MIS formats.
- (xi) The funds earmarked for particular component would be used for that specified component only. Diversion of funds earmarked for one component to another, is not permissible.
- (xii) The SLMA will facilitate physical inspection by NLMA or its authorized agencies.
- (xiii) NLMA will have the right to recall the unutilized amount at any point of time.
- (xiv) 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 this Ministry whenever the institution or organization is called upon to do so.

9. The pattern of assistance has been approved by the Ministry of Finance. This sanction is being issued in conformity with the rules and principles of the scheme as approved by the Government of India.



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10. The SLMA, Himachal Pradesh shall fully implement the official language policy of the Union Government, i.e (The Organization shall fully comply with the Official Language Act 1963 and official languages use for official purposes of the Union Rules, 1978 etc.).

11. This issues in exercise of the delegated powers in consultation with the Integrated Finance Division vide their Dy. No.151/Integrated Finance Division/School Education & Literacy/2024 dated 09.09.2024. Funds have been booked by IF.II vide their Dy. No.205/IF.II dated 10.9.2024 and Certification No.12.

Yours faithfully,

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1. The Member Secretary of State Literacy Mission Authority of Himachal Pradesh.
2. The Chief Secretary, Government of Himachal Pradesh.
3. Principal Secretary (School Education), Government of Himachal Pradesh.
4. Secretary, Finance Department, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh. **It is requested that funds released through this sanction letter may be transferred to the State Literacy Mission Authority (SLMA), Himachal Pradesh immediately along with the matching State Share.**
5. Office of the Director General of Audit-I, Central Revenues, OAD-II Section, AGCR Building, I.P. Estate, New Delhi-110002.
6. AGCR (Special Cell), New Delhi.
7. Principal Accountant General (A & E), Himachal Pradesh.
8. The Accountant General (A & E), Himachal Pradesh.
9. Consultant, TSG-NILP
10. U.C. Unit/IF.II / IFD /Sanction Guard File/AE-2

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