No: 14-15/2014 Fert. Use
Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture
Department of Agriculture & Cooperation
(INM Division)

Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi
Dated the 21st June 2016

To

The Pay & Accounts Officer (Secrt.)
Department of Agriculture & Cooperation
Ministry of Agriculture,
16, Akbar Road Hutments,
New Delhi 110 011


Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Department’s letter No.14-1/2015-Fert.Use dated 6th May 2016 conveying the Administrative Approval for implementation of Soil Health Management component under National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA) & letter of even number dated 18.06.2014, 22.09.2014, 31.08.2015 and letter No 1-1/2014 Fert Use (vi) dated 30.12.2014, and to convey the sanction of the President to release of Rs. 140,658 lakh (Rupees One Crore Forty Lakh Sixty Five Thousand Eight Hundred only) as 2nd installment to Government of Himachal Pradesh for implementation of the scheme during 2016-17.

2. The amount will be debited to the following Major Head under Demand No.1 Agriculture:-

3601- Grant in aid to State Government
02- Grant for State Plan Schemes.
437- Crop Husbandry – Manures and Fertilizers
02- Krishonnati Yojna
01-National Project on Management of Soil Health & Fertility
020131- Grants-in-aid-General

3. The expenditure to be incurred is subject to the following terms and condition:-

(i) The grants shall be utilized by the concerned implementing agency in accordance with the operational guidelines of the scheme already circulated to all States and are also available at DAC website: www.agricoop.nic.in).

(ii) The physical and financial breakup for the activities to be taken up is given in Annexure.
(iii) The implementing agency shall maintain proper accounts of the expenditure incurred and submit the statement of Audited accounts and utilization certificate to this Department as soon as possible along with progress report after close of the financial year. The implementing agency shall furnish quarterly progress report regularly with details of physical and financial target and achievement. They will also be responsible to monitor utilization of funds for SC/ST/Women beneficiaries and maintain database of the same.

(iv) The audited records of all assets (permanent or semi-permanent) acquired wholly or substantially out of the grant to the implementing agency should be maintained as prescribed in the form of GFR-19 and 19-A.

(v) Assets permanent or semi-permanent acquired wholly or substantially out of the grant from the Government of India shall not, without prior approval of the Government of India, be disposed off, encumbered or utilized for the purpose other than those for which the grant is being sanctioned.

(vi) The accounts of the implementing agency shall be open to Internal Audit of the Principal Accounts Officer, Department of Agriculture and Cooperation as well as Statutory Audit by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India at his discretion and he shall have the right to demand the production of books, accounts, connected vouchers and other documents and papers in the regard.

(vii) Interest earned and unspent funds will be added to SHM component of NMSA Scheme fund for utilization on approved activities of the scheme.

(viii) Revalidated amount of interest earned and unspent fund will be adjusted against future releases of first/second installment and allocation of current financial year will be reduced to that extent.

(ix) Balance Sheet and Audited statement of accounts of State Governments/Implementing Agencies should clearly reflect amounts earned as interest and unspent balances, at beginning of financial year, so that these amounts are accounted in a transparent manner.

(x) The 2nd installment/ next installment would be considered for release when the State Government provides Utilization Certificates and physical & financial progress reports against 1st installment along with proof of contribution of equivalent share.

(xi) "This has been noted at S. No. 33 of Register of grant of Financial Year 2016-17 as per GFR 212 (4) (b)." There is no UC pending.

(xii) This sanction issues with the approval of Integrated Finance Division vide their Dy. No. 14451/FTS/AS&FA dated 06.06.2016.

Yours faithfully,

(Bherav Dutt)

Under Secretary to the Government of India
Copy to:

1. The Principal Accounts Officer, Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, 16A, Akbar Road Hutments, New Delhi 110 011
2. Office of the Director General of Audit, Central Expenditure, AGCR Building, IP Estate, New Delhi 110 002
3. The Secretary (Agriculture), Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla.
4. The Director of Agriculture, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla.
5. Secretary (Finance), Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla.
6. The Advisor, Agriculture (Niti Commission), Yojna Bhavan, New Delhi.
7. Joint Secretary (INM), DAC.

**Annexure**

(Rs. in lakh)

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<th>S. No</th>
<th>Component</th>
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<td>Setting up of Mobile STLs</td>
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<td>Setting up of Mobile STLs</td>
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<td>56.00</td>
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<td>168.00</td>
<td>151.20</td>
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<td>2015-16</td>
<td>Setting up of Mobile STL</td>
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<td>112.50</td>
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<td>2.</td>
<td>Portable Soil Testing Kits</td>
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<td>3.</td>
<td>Distribution of Micronutrients</td>
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<td>3.36 (6.048)</td>
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<td>Total 2015-16</td>
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<td>120.81 (217.458)</td>
<td>90.6</td>
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<td>Total to be released</td>
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<td>288.81 (385.458)</td>
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<td>(-) 3.00</td>
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(*) Amount shown as 90:10 sharing pattern.
@ For 2014-15, Finance Division has objected that against 24 farmers training State has completed only 12 & similarly against the 24 portable soil testing kits only 12 has been completed in spite of full amount released. Hence the 50% of the both amount i.e. 3.00 lakh (Rs. 1.20+Rs. 1.80 lakh) has been adjusted against this release.

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