To

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

Subject – Central Assistance to District Rural Development Agencies in the State of Himachal Pradesh for the year 2016-17 under DRDA Administration Scheme – Release of first instalment.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President to the payment of Grants-in-aid amounting to Rs.2,92,64000/- (Rupees Two Crore, Ninety Two Lakh and Sixty Four Thousand Only) to the State Government of Himachal Pradesh towards 1st instalment of Central share for implementation of the DRDA Administration Scheme for the financial year 2016-17, to the DRDAs as per Annexure attached.

2. The release is subject to the following conditions:-
   a) A separate Bank Account in a nationalized Bank shall be maintained under DRDA,
   b) State Government should transfer these funds to the bank accounts of concerned DRDA(s) within 15 days of their receipt from the Central Government.
   c) The quantum of release is subject to actual requirement within the overall ceiling. Any expenditure over and above the ceiling shall be met by the State Government.
   d) The funds would not be diverted to any purpose other than meeting the salary and contingent expenditure as per the Guidelines of the Scheme.
   e) The State Government should also release its contribution towards the overall cost of DRDA Administration. Deficiency in release of State share shall be deducted from the 2nd instalment of funds during 2017-18.
   f) The State Government is also requested to invariably endorse/send copy(-ies) of the release orders within 3 days to the Central Government addressed as under:-

The Director (DRDA),
Ministry of Rural Development,
Room No.250, 2nd Floor,
Krishi Bhawan
New Delhi -110001

3. The funding pattern under the scheme will be 90:10 between Centre and the State. However there is no bar on releasing more funds by the State than its due share to meet the genuine requirement of a DRDA. The Utilization of funds should be in accordance with the DRDA Administration guidelines. Release of 2nd instalment during 2016-17 shall be subject to utilization of 60% of available funds and upon submission of UC and Audit Report of the previous year.

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4. The accounts of the grantee institutions/DRDAs will be audited by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India and the Internal Audit of the Principal Accounts Office of the Ministry of Rural Development under Chief Controller of Accounts, in terms of Rule 211 (1) and 211 (2) of the General Financial Rules.

5. No Utilization Certificate is pending against the concerned District Rural Development Agency.

6. The expenditure is debitable to the following Head of Accounts under Demand No. 75 Department of Rural Development (2016-2017).

| 3601- | Grants-in-Aid to State Govts. (Major Head) |
| 02 - | Grants for State Plan Schemes (Sub-Major Head) |
| 418 - | Self Employment Programme-National Rural Livelihood Mission (Minor Head) |
| 05 - | National Rural Livelihood Mission |
| 05.02 - | DRDA Administration |
| 05.02.31- | Grants- in -Aid General |

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 has to be transferred to State Government.

8. This issues under the powers delegated to this Ministry and in consultation with the Integrated Finance Division vide their U.O. No.227/Finance/2016-17 dated 09/06/2016

9. Sanction Order made has been entered in Expenditure Control Register at Sl. No.8, Page No.01.

Yours faithfully,

Copy to:

1. The Principal Secretary, Finance Department, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh.
2. The Principal Secretary, Rural Development, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh.
3. The Accountant General, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh.
4. The Director, Rural Development, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh.
5. The Director of Audit, E&S Ministries, IP Estate, AGCR Building, New Delhi.
6. The Resident Commissioner, Government of Himachal Pradesh, New Delhi for taking necessary action under intimation to this Ministry.
7. NRLM Section/ Section Officer (Fin.-II)/B & A Section.
8. Sr. Technical Director NIC Section for uploading on website of MoRD.
Annexure to sanction order No. R-17014/01/2016-17/DRDA (Sl.No.8) dated June, 2016 in r/o the State Government of HIMACHAL PRADESH under DRDA Administration Scheme.

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**TOTAL** | **292.64**

**ANNEXURE**

(INDU SHARMA)
Director (DRDA)

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Dir./Director

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