

BY SPEED POST/ EMAIL
Himachal Pradesh
(1st Installment of Central Share)
General Category

F. No. 1-1/2019-NRM-SMAF (75055)
Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare
(NRM Division, Sub Mission on Agroforestry)

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
Dated December 6th 2019

To

The Pay & Accounts Officer
Pay & Account Office (Sectt. II),
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare,
320, Jeevan Tara Building, Sansad Marg, New Delhi.

Sub: Sub Mission on Agroforestry (SMAF) under National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA) – release of first installment of funds to Himachal Pradesh Government as a Central Share during the year 2019-20- reg.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India for payment of first installment of ₹ 57.64 lakhs (Rupees Fifty Seven Lakh and Sixty Four Thousand only) to the State Government of **Himachal Pradesh** as a Central Share during 2019-20 for implementing the Sub Mission on Agroforestry (SMAF) under National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA).

2. SMAF is being implemented in **Himachal Pradesh** on a prevailing funding pattern of assistance i.e. 60% Central share & 40% State share. Accordingly, State should invest the matching State share to the funds released by Government of India while implementing SMAF during 2019-20.

3. In accordance with the revised procedure, the Reserve Bank of India may please be advised for debiting the amount to the account of the Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare and passing on the credit to the Central Account Section, Nagpur, for transfer of funds to the State Government of **Himachal Pradesh**. The payment shall be made to the concerned implementing agency through the Demand Drafts/ Cheques/ RTGS as the case may be.

4. The release of funds is subject to the following conditions:-

- The aforesaid grant-in-aid is a recurring one.
- State Government of the scheme should adhere to the cost norms and pattern of assistance and other procedures as prescribed in the Operational Guidelines issued by the Sub Mission on Agroforestry, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare.

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- c) Monthly progress report and cumulative monthly Physical and Financial Progress reports indicating its unit cost norms, targets and corresponding achievements under various components be sent to this Division by 10th of the following month. Further, progress reports be submitted for the total amount, including Central and Share Share separately.
- d) State Government of **Himachal Pradesh** will be required to utilize the funds in the current financial year for implementation of the Scheme as per the above mentioned sanction order and related detailed project documents and also furnish utilization certificates in the prescribed proforma at the end of the financial year 2019-20 in prescribed GFR-12C. Next installment of the funds will only be released after receipt of the Progress Report and utilization Certificate.
- e) The progress and achievement also need to be reported in SMAF portal & Geo-tagging of the project area is to be ensured and uploaded in Bhuvan platform.
- f) State Implementing Authority shall maintain subsidiary accounts of Grant-in-aid received and get the accounts audited relating to released funds from a Chartered Accountant and furnish a copy each of the Audit Report, Audited Statement of Accounts, balance sheet, receipt & payment and income & expenditure statement to DAC&FW as early as possible.
- g) This amount is released with reference to the Administrative Approval accorded **vide letter No. 7-6/2016-CC (FTS-30598) dated 27th May, 2019** and should be utilized as per the Guidelines of Sub Mission on Agroforestry. Further State Government is advised to ensure that there is no duplication or overlapping of activities/ areas covered under SMAF vis-à-vis existing schemes of Central Government or State Government.
- h) The accounts of the State Grantee Institution 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 the Ministry or Department, wherever the State(s)/ institution is called upon to do so.
- i) Audited records of all assets, permanent or semi-permanent, acquired wholly or substantially out of the grant sanctioned to the implementing agency should be maintained as prescribed in form GFR-12C under General Financial Rules (GFR) 2017 and shall be furnished to the Government annually by the end of June, following the financial year to which it relates. Such assets 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 made.
- j) At least 30% of the Budget allocation is earmarked for women beneficiaries/ farmers.
- k) Expenditure be incurred as per provision of GFR, 2017.
- l) All grantee institutions shall submit Utilization Certificates on PFMS.
- m) The further use of Grants in Aid being released by this sanction Order, is to be done through EAT module of PFMS. The utilization Certificate not supported by the EAT module data is likely to be rejected and expenditure is not to be treated as regular. The agency would be forced to refund the amount received as the expenditure not appearing in EAT module data is not be taken as expenditure incurred in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Sanction order”.

K. S. Chitra

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5. The expenditure shall be debited to Demand No. 1 – Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare. Category wise funds released and Head of Accounts to which it shall be debited are as under:

Name of Beneficiary/ State/ Implementing Agency	Head of Account	Amount (Rs. in lakh)
Himachal Pradesh / State Government of Himachal Pradesh	3601-Grants-in-aid to State Governments (Major Head) 06-Centrally Sponsored Scheme (Submajor Head) 101-Central Assistance/ Share (Minor head) 43-Green Revolution-Krishonnati Yojana 03- National Project on Agroforestry 430331- Grants-in-aid-General	57.64

6. This sanction issues with concurrence of Integrated Finance Division, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare, vide **75055-FTS/5604-AS&FA dated 28.11.2019.**

7. This sanction has been noted at Sl. No. **9** / 2019-20 in the Register of Grant as mentioned in GFR-234.

Yours faithfully

K. S. Chitra

(K. S. Chitra)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

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2. O/o the Director General of Audit, Central Expenditure, AGCR Building, IP Estates, New Delhi.
3. Chief Secretary/ Principal Secretary (Agriculture)/ Principal Secretary (Planning)/ Principal Secretary (Finance)/ Principal Secretary (Forest), Government of **Himachal Pradesh.**
4. Nodal officer (SMAF)-cum-Divisional Forest Officer (Research), At Karnody, Sundernagar, Mandi District, Pin-- 175019 **Himachal Pradesh**
5. Secretary, Department of Expenditure, North Block, New Delhi.
6. Accountant General (A&E), **Himachal Pradesh**
7. PPS to Joint Secretary (NRM), Krishi Bhawan
8. US (Fin IV), Krishi Bhawan
9. Budget/ B&A/ Assistant Director (Budget).
10. DDO, NMSA, RFS Division, DAC&FW.
11. Expenditure file/ Guard file.