No. P-17017/3/2017-RC (FMS No. 354084)
Government of India
Ministry of Rural Development
Department of Rural Development
(Rural Connectivity Division)

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 21st February, 2020

To,
The Pay & Accounts Officer,
Ministry of Rural Development,
Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.


Sir,

1.1 I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India to the payment of Grants-in-aid amounting to Rs. 32,59,00,000/- (Rupees Thirty Two Crore and Fifty Nine Lakh only) to the State of Himachal Pradesh for “Financial Incentive” as Central assistance under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) for the Financial Year 2019-20.

1.2 These funds are exclusively meant for periodic maintenance of roads already constructed under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana.

1.3. The State Government must transfer these funds to Himachal Pradesh Gram Sadak Development Agency (HPGSDA) within 3 working days positively from the date of receipt of these funds. In case of non-transfer beyond this period, Central Government may be constrained to stop further releases. The State Government is required to endorse a copy of the release order to the Government of India at the following address:

Dr. Surabhi Rai, Director (RC), Ministry of Rural Development, Room No. 379,
Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110001, Tel. No.- 011-23383006.

1.4. The funds transferred by the State Government to HPGSDA shall be kept in a separate Saving Bank Account No. 3383000100123798 in Punjab National Bank, Near Combermere Hotel, Shimla (Branch Code No.010211406 IFSC Code No. PUNB0338300). It shall be ensured by SRRDAs that the Programme Implementation Units (PIUs) in the districts have ready access to the funds and the funds held in the specified account are allowed to be utilized only by the Executing Agency/Agencies only for the purpose of periodic maintenance of rural roads already constructed under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana. Himachal Pradesh Gram Sadak Development Agency (HPGSDA) has nominated Shri R.P. Verma Engineer-in-Chief, Public Works Department, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla as the Empowered Officer.

1.5. The State Governments are requested to credit matching State Share against the funds released vide this letter in respective SRRDA’s accounts as per PMGSY guidelines and update the status on OMMAS.

1.6. The Empowered officer shall issue standing instructions to the Bank regarding the names of Authorised Payees and their designated account details and the amounts admissible to each payee. He will also specify limits on monthly payment as per the agreed work programme for the respective package.
1.7. No Utilization Certificate is pending from the agencies indicated in column 4 of table in para 1.2 above.

1.8. The Accounts of the grantee institution will be audited by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India and the internal Audit of the Principal Accounts Office of the Ministry in terms of Rule 211 (1) of the General Financial Rules (GFR).

1.9. The expenditure is debitable to the following Head of Accounts under **Demand No.84** Department of Rural Development (2019-2020):

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1.10. The Assistant Director, PMGSY, Ministry of Rural Development, New Delhi (208139) will be the Drawing & Disbursing Officer for the purpose. The amount mentioned in Para-1 above will be transferred to State Government of Himachal Pradesh.

1.11. This issues under the powers delegated to this Ministry and in consultation with the Integrated Finance Division vide their U.O. No. 1208/Finance/2019-20 dated 21/02/2020.

Yours faithfully,

**(Dr. Surabhi Rai)**
Deputy Secretary (RC)

Copy to:

1. Addl. Chief Secretary, Public Works Department, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Sanjauli, Shimla-171002.
3. The Manager, Punjab National Bank, Near Comberemere Hotel, Shimla-171001.
5. The Director of Audit, Economic and Service Ministries, AGCR Building, I.P. Estate, New Delhi-110002.
6. The Principal Director General, Media & Communication, Press Information Bureau, Room No. 101, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.
8. Finance Division-1.
9. Sanction Register/All Directors NRIDA.

**(Dr. Surabhi Rai)**
Deputy Secretary (RC)