To
The Pay & Accounts Officer (Sectt.-II),
Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare,
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare,
3rd Floor, Jeevan Tara Building, Parliament Street, New Delhi-110001

Subject: Release of First Installment of funds (SCSP Category) during 2018-19 to the State of Himachal Pradesh for implementation of Per Drop More Crop (PDMC) component of Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY).

Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Department’s letter No. 17-2/2018-RFS-III dated 10th April, 2018 conveying the approval of competent authority for implementation of the Per Drop More Crop component of Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) and to convey the sanction of the President to the payment of an amount of Rs. 450.00 Lakh (Rupees Four Hundred Fifty Lakh only) [Rs. 150.00 lakh for Micro Irrigation and Rs. 300.00 lakh for water harvesting or water conservation activities] during 2018-19 as first instalment (SCSP Category) for implementation of the Scheme in Himachal Pradesh.

2. PMKSY-PDMC primarily focuses on increasing coverage of Micro Irrigation (MI) technologies to enhance water use efficiency. The water harvesting or water conservation activities under Other Interventions (OI) will be accepted only as supporting activities. It would also be desirable for the PDMC component to be anchored in one Department in the State viz. Agriculture or Horticulture, rather than the present process of release of funds to different Departments for MI and OI under PDMC component.

3. The pattern of assistance payable to the beneficiary under the micro irrigation scheme will be 55% for small and marginal farmers and 45% for other farmers which will be met by both Central Government and State Government in the ratio of 60:40 for all states except the North Eastern and Himalayan states. In the case of these states, ratio of sharing is 90:10. For the Union Territories, funding pattern is 100% grant by the Central Government. Accordingly, State should invest proportionate matching State share to the funds released by Government of India while implementing Per Drop More Crop during 2018-19.

4. The subsidy payable to the beneficiary will be limited to an overall ceiling of 5 hectare per beneficiary. The subsidy payment will be limited to the unit costs specified in the scheme guidelines.
5. All other conditions stipulated in the Operational Guidelines of Per Drop More Crop component of PMKSY shall be scrupulously followed without any exception. The State shall be responsible for any deviation from the guidelines.

6. In accordance with the revised procedure, the Reserve Bank of India may be advised for debiting the amount to the account of Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare and passing on the credit to the Central Accounts Section, for transfer to the State Government of Himachal Pradesh.

7. The said Grant-in-aid will be subject to the following conditions and the State Government shall ensure that they are strictly complied with:-

i) State to submit Annual Action Plan (AAP) for 2018-19 to this Department in the prescribed format with the approval of State Level Sanction Committee (SLSC) along with proceedings of the committee meeting.

ii) The proposed Action Plan should be the part of approved DIP/ SIP if obtained from SLSC, or have to be duly incorporated in the DIP/ SIP at a later stage during its finalization in the lines of PMKSY Guidelines.

iii) The grants shall be utilized and disbursed by the concerned implementing agency in accordance with the Operational Guidelines of Per Drop More Crop component of PMKSY issued by Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare, Annual Action Plan and in accordance with the conditions stipulated in this letter.

iv) The implementing agency shall maintain proper accounts of the expenditure incurred and submit the statement of audited accounts and Utilization Certificates to this Department as soon as possible after the closure of the financial year. The implementing agency shall furnish consolidated monthly progress report regularly with details of physical and financial target and achievements.

v) The audited records of all aspects (permanent or semi permanent), acquired wholly or substantially, out of the grant to the implementing agency should be maintained as prescribed in the form GFR 12-C under General Financial Rules-2017. The Consolidated Statement of Utilization Certificate along with statement of accounts shall be furnished to the Government of India annually latest by the end of June, following the financial year to which it relates. The Implementing Agencies will follow other terms and conditions contained in the General Financial Rules 2017, as amended from time to time.

vi) Assets permanent or semi-permanent acquired wholly or substantially, out of the grant by the Government of India shall not, without prior approval of the Government of India, be disposed of, encumbered or utilized for the purpose other than those for which the grant is being sanctioned. The assets created under the scheme need to be Geo-tagged through Bhuwan-PDMC Application.
vii) The progress and achievement also to be reported in the MIS of Per Drop More Crop- PMKSY portal for better monitoring purpose.

viii) It shall be ensured that there is no duplicacy/overlapping of efforts and the beneficiary is not benefited for the same intervention from other programmes/schemes of GoI/State.

ix) 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 this regard.

x) Any unspent balance of grant, which is not spent for the purpose for which it is sanctioned during the financial year shall be refunded to the Government of India or adjusted for further utilization at the end of the financial year. The funds shall be transferred electronically through RTGS System/Demand Draft to the Implementing Agencies.

xi) At least 50% of the budget allocations are earmarked for small, marginal farmers of which, at-least 30% be women beneficiaries/farmers. The guidelines issued by competent authority in respect of persons with disabilities may also be kept in view for disbursement of subsidy. This may also be intimated to central Govt. in the monthly progress report.

8. Implementing Agency should identify SC/ST beneficiaries amongst the total beneficiaries to achieve prescribed targets and book the amount of grant-in-aid released for SCs/STs under the relevant Head of Accounts mentioned in below. The progress under these categories needs to be reported separately. The expenditure shall be debited to demand no.1 Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare. Category wise funds released and Head of Account to which it shall be debited are as under:

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9. This sanction issues with concurrence of Integrated Finance Division, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare vide their Dy. No. 57026-FTS/AS&FA dated 6-6-2018.

10. This sanction has been noted at Sl. No. 10/2018-19 of the Register of Grant as per GFR-234.

Yours faithfully,

(Harit Kumar Shakya)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

Copy to:-

8. The Principal Secretary (Horticulture), Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla Himachal Pradesh-171002.


10. The Project Director (MIDH), Directorate of Horticulture Himachal Pradesh Navbhar Shimla 171002.

11. The Director of Agriculture, Government of Himachal Pradesh

12. The Executive Director, NCPAH, 10th Floor, International Trade Tower, Nehru Place, New Delhi-110 019.

13. DS (Finance), DAC&FW.

14. PPS to AS (JS)/PPS to JS (RFS)

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