To

The Pay & Accounts Officer (Sectt.-II),
Principal Accounts Office
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Sub: Release of 1st installment (Central Share) to Govt. of Himachal Pradesh under Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana- Remunerative Approaches for Agriculture and Allied sector Rejuvenation (RKVY-RAFTAAR) during 2019-20 for Normal RKVY(General) – regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President to the payment of Rs. 12.05 crore and release of Rs. 9.31 crore (Rupees nine crore and thirty one lakh only) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh towards first instalment of Central Share under Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana- Remunerative Approaches for Agriculture and Allied sector Rejuvenation (RKVY-RAFTAAR) during 2019-20 for Normal RKVY (General) for the projects approved by the State Level Sanctioning Committee (SLSC) of the State in its meeting held on 30.05.2019. The proceedings of which were circulated by the Agriculture Department, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh vide their letter No.Agr.H(Project Cell)F(7)-5/2009-VIII dated 03.06.2019.

The details of allocation, cost of projects approved and amount being released are as under:-

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<th>Name of Scheme/ component</th>
<th>Allocation for 2019-20</th>
<th>Cost of projects</th>
<th>Amount being released (50% of allocation)</th>
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<td>Normal RKVY</td>
<td>General 18.61</td>
<td>41.49</td>
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<td>SCSP 4.43</td>
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<td>TSP 1.06</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>24.10</td>
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3. The State Govt. is required to contribute matching State share (10%) under the Scheme.

4. State Government/Nodal Department shall ensure that project details of all the projects approved are entered in the RKVY Database & Management Information System (RDMIS). State Government/Nodal Agency must also ensure that project status for the projects approved and taken up, up to the year 2018-19 are also entered in the RDMIS at the earliest.

5. In accordance with the revised procedure, the Reserve Bank of India may please be advised for debiting to the account of the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation and passing on the credit to the Central Account Section, Nagpur for transfer to the State Government of Himachal Pradesh.

6. The funds released for SC/ST/General Category have to be utilized for the respective category only. The funds earmarked for SC/ST cannot be diverted for General Category and vice versa.


8. The release of funds is further subject to the following conditions:
   a. State Government of Himachal Pradesh will be required to utilize the funds in the current year for implementation of the projects approved by State Level Sanctioning Committee as per the above mentioned sanction letter and related detailed project documents.
   b. State Government is required to submit Utilisation Certificate component wise (General/SC/ST) separately.
   c. The Department/Nodal Agency shall ensure that Project-wise accounts are maintained by the Implementing Agencies and are subject to the normal process of Statutory Audit. Likewise, an inventory of the assets created under the projects should be carefully preserved and assets that are no longer required should be transferred to the Nodal Department for its use and redeployment where possible.
   d. State Government of Himachal Pradesh/Nodal Implementing Agency will have to report on utilization of funds released and submit the physical and financial performance reports as well as utilization certificates in the prescribed proforma at the end of the financial year 2019-20.
   e. Recurring kind of expenditure like manpower hiring, POL, TA/DA, transport, computer and other consumables shall not be incurred out of RKVY Project Funds. These items shall be charged from RKVY Administrative Funds with the approval of the SLSC Chairman, separately.
   f. For trainings/awareness camps/demonstration/publicity, ATMA funds available with the State should also be utilized. It will not be advisable to have ATMA funds remain unutilized at the end of the year, whereas RKVY funds have been used.
g. This is to note that without detailed physical and financial progress of the RKVY projects and their updated entry in the RDMIS during 2018-19 and audited accounts for years from 2007-08 to 2017-18 release of 2nd installment shall not be considered. In other words, for the subsequent release, the conditions laid down in para-8 of the RKVY-RAFTAAR guidelines, 2018 would apply.

h. The further use of Grants in Aid being released by this sanction order is to be done through Expenditure Advance & Transfer (EAT) module of PFMS. The Utilization Certificate not supported by EAT module data is likely to be rejected and expenditure is not to be treated as regular. The State Govt/ Implementing Agencies would be forced to refund the amount received as the expenditure not appearing in EAT module data is not to be taken as expenditure incurred in accordance with the terms and conditions of Sanction Order. In this regard, instructions of Ministry of Finance and CCA, M/o Agriculture & FW have been circulated by this Department vide letter No. 7-1/2018- RKVY dated 13th November 2018 and 15th November 2018 respectively.

i. All State Govt/ Implementing Agencies shall submit Utilization Certificate on PFMS, as per General Financial Rule.

9. This amount is released with reference to the Administrative Approval accorded vide letter No. 5-1/2019-RKVY dated 05.04.2019 and should be utilized as per the Guidelines for Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana- Remunerative Approaches for Agriculture and Allied sector Rejuvenation (RKVY-RAFTAAR) during 2019-20. The financial assistance/cost norms should be as per the existing centrally sponsored/central sector/state plan schemes. Further, State Government is advised to ensure that there is no duplication or overlapping of activities/areas covered under RKVY Projects vis-à-vis existing schemes of Central or State Government. The project profile should inter-alia highlight physical targets/deliverables and outcome thereof.

10. The expenditure is debitable under Demand No.1 – Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers’ Welfare for the year 2019-20 and may be debited to the following head of Account:

   Major Head - 3601   - Grants-in-aid to State Government
   Sub Major Head - 06   - Centrally Sponsored Schemes
   Minor Head - 101   - Central Assistance/Share
     44   - Green Revolution-Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana
     440031   - Grants-in-aid

11. The payment sanctioned above is provisional and is subject to adjustment on the basis of the audited figures of expenditure in terms of Ministry of Finance letter No.2(19)-P.II/60 dated 09.10.1964.

12. 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, whenever the State(s) / institution is called upon to do so.
13. This sanction issues in exercise of the delegated powers in consultation with the Finance Division of the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation vide their Dy. No. 839-FTS/AS&FA dated 11.06.2019. This has been noted as per GFR Rule 234(i) at serial number 35 of the Register of Grants for 2019-20.

Yours faithfully,

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   d. Secretary (Planning)/ )
   e. Secretary (Finance)/ )
   f. Director of Agriculture )
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