To

The Pay & Accounts Officer (Secctt.-II),
Principal Accounts Office
Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers’ Welfare,
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers’ Welfare,
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Sub: Release of 1st installment (Central Share) to Govt. of Himachal Pradesh under Rashtriya Krishi VikasYojana- Remunerative Approaches for Agriculture and Allied Sector Rejuvenation (RKVY-RAFTAAR) during 2020-21 for the projects under Normal RKVY (General) – regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President to the payment of Rs. 5.00 crore and release of Rs. 4.03 crore (Rupees four crore and three lakh only) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh towards 1st instalment of Central Share under Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana- Remunerative Approaches for Agriculture and Allied Sector Rejuvenation (RKVY-RAFTAAR) for the projects approved by the Chief Secretary-cum-Chairman, State Level Sanctioning Committee (SLSC) of the State vide F.No.Agr.H(Project Cell)F RKVY 5/2009 dated 23.07.2020. This is subject to approval ex-post facto approval of Annual Action Plan by SLSC.

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

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<th>Sl. No.</th>
<th>Name of Scheme/ component</th>
<th>Allocation for 2020-21</th>
<th>Cost of projects approved by SLSC / DAC&amp;FW</th>
<th>Eligible amount of 1st instalment (50% of allocation)</th>
<th>Amount being released as 1st instalment</th>
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<td>Normal RKVY</td>
<td>General: 21.80</td>
<td>52.18</td>
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(Rs. in crore)

* Short release is due to huge unspent balance of previous years lying with the State.
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 2019-20 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.

7. Releases of funds under Normal RKVY are based on inter-state allocation under RKVY conveyed vide letter No.7-1/2020-RKYY dated 12.05.2020.

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 2020-21.
   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. Assistance under RKVY-RAFTAAR on production oriented component/project shall be 25% as envisaged in para 4.7 of scheme guidelines.

h. Any further release will be made to the State of Himachal Pradesh only after the utilisation of entire unspent balance including present release.

i. This is to note that without detailed physical and financial progress of the RKVY projects and their updated entry in the RDMIS during 2019-20 and audited accounts for years from 2007-08 to 2018-19 release of 2nd installment shall not be considered. In other words, for the subsequent release, the conditions laid down in the RKVY-RAFTAAR Guidelines would apply.

j. 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 of Agriculture & FW have been circulated by this Department vide letter No. 7/1/2018-RKVY dated 13th November 2018 and 15th November 2018 respectively.

k. 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 Revised Administrative Approval accorded vide letter No. 5-1/2020-RKVY dated 12.05.2020 and should be utilized as per the Guidelines for RashtriyaKrishiVikasYojana- Remunerative Approaches for Agriculture and Allied sector Rejuvenation (RKVY-RAFTAAR) during 2020-21. 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 2020-21 and may be debited to the following head of Account:

   - Major Head - 3601 - Grants-in-aid to State Governments
   - Sub Major Head - 06 - Centrally Sponsored Schemes
   - Minor Head - 101 - Central Assistance/Share
   - 44 - Green Revolution-RashtriyaKrishiVikasYojana
   - 440031 - Grants-in-aid General

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, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare vide Dy. No. 84539-SS&FA dated 17.08.2020. This has been noted as per GFR Rule 234(i) at serial number 32 of the Register of Grants for 2020-21.

Yours faithfully,

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   b. Commissioner and Secretary /
   c. Secretary (Agriculture)/
   d. Secretary (Planning)/
   e. Secretary (Finance)/
   f. Director of Agriculture
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