To
The Accounts Officer,
Principal Accounts Office,
Ministry of Human Resource Development,
Department of School Education & Literacy,
New Delhi

Sub: Release of Recurring grants to the State Govt. of HIMACHAL PRADESH for implementation of Integrated Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan Programme (RMSA), HIMACHAL PRADESH, for the year 2016-2017.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India to release total amount of Rs. 68,94,000/- [Rupees Sixty Eight Lakh Ninety Four Thousand Only] as Full payment of 1 installment Recurring under Grant-in-aid for implementation of integrated RMSA during the year 2016-2017 to the State Government of HIMACHAL PRADESH.

2. State Govt. will immediately release the amount along with the minimum mandatory matching State share to the Education Department or the nodal department for implementation of Integrated Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) scheme. The Education Department or the nodal department for RMSA must release the Component-Wise Central Assistance along with the State Government’s mandatory matching contribution to the State Implementing Society within a week as under :-

(Rs in lakh)

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<td>IEDSS</td>
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<td>First Installment of Recurring Grant for implementation of IEDSS under Integrated RMSA approved by PAB 2016-17.</td>
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3. The expenditure of Rs. 68,94,000/- [Rupees Sixty Eight Lakh Ninety Four Thousand Only] will be debited to Demand No. 51 - Department of School Education & Literacy, 3601 (Major Head)-Grant-in-aid to State Govt. (Major-Head) to State Governments. This amount is to be bifurcated into following heads:-

(Rs in lakh)

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<td>General(GEN)</td>
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<td>Schedule Caste(SC)</td>
<td>18,46,000/-</td>
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<td>Schedule Tribe(ST)</td>
<td>4,23,000/-</td>
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1) Rs. 46,25,000/- [Rupees Forty Six Lakh Twenty Five Thousand Only] will be debited to Demand No.51 - Department of School Education and Literacy, Major Head-3601 Grant-in-aid to State Govt. (Major-Head) - 02 - Grants for State Plan Schemes (Sub Major Head 02), 180- Secondary Education Other Grants (Minor-Head 180), 02 - Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) (Sub-Head 02) , 02.01.31 Grant-in-aid-General 2016-2017 (Plan).

2) Rs. 18,46,000/- [Rupees Eighteen Lakh Forty Six Thousand Only] will be debited to Demand No.51 - Department of School Education and Literacy, Major Head-3601 Grant-in-aid to State Govt. (Major-Head) - 02 - Grants for State Plan Schemes (Sub Major Head 02), 789- Special Component Plan for Scheduled Castes (Minor-Head 789), 66 - Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) (Sub-Head 66) , 66.01.31 Grant-in-aid-General 2016-2017 (Plan).

3) Rs. 4,23,000/- [Rupees Four Lakh Twenty Three Thousand Only] will be debited to Demand No.51 - Department of School Education and Literacy, Major Head-3601 Grant-in-aid to State Govt. (Major-Head) - 02 - Grants for State Plan Schemes (Sub Major Head 02), 796- Tribal Area Sub-Plan (Minor-Head 796), 68 - Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) (Sub-Head 68) , 68.01.31 Grant-in-aid-General 2016-2017 (Plan).

4. Accordingly, I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India to release of Rs. 18,46,000/- [Rupees Eighteen Lakh Forty Six Thousand Only] to Govt. of HIMACHAL PRADESH as Recurring Central Assistance under RMSA for the year 2016-2017.

5. The expenditure of Rs.18,46000 Lakh [Rupees Eighteen Lakh Forty Six Thousand Only] will be debited to Demand No. 51 - Department of School Education and Literacy, Major Head - 3601 Grant-in-aid to State Govt. (Major-Head) - 02 - Grants for State Plan Schemes (Sub Major Head 02), 789 - Special Component Plan for Scheduled Castes (Minor-Head 789), 66 - Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) (Sub-Head 66) , 66.01.31 Grant-in-aid-General 2016-2017 (Plan).

6. The expenditure shall be incurred against the approvals under relevant annual plan as per framework for implementation of RMSA. *Diversion of fund from Non-recurring (Grants for creation of capital assets) to Recurring (Grants in aid) and vice-verse is not permissible.*

7. The next installment will be considered only after the receipt of expenditure statement in respect of grants released by the Ministry and at least 50% of the grant released has been utilized.

8. The sanction has been accorded subject to the terms and conditions contained in the guidelines of RMSA, ICT@ Schools, IEDSS, Girls’ Hostel and Vocationalization of Education, issued by this Ministry and to the adherence of financial administrative and policy norms stipulated therein.

9. The pattern of grant/expenditure has been approved by the Ministry of Finance. This sanction is being issued in conformity with the rules and principles of the schemes as approved by the Ministry of Finance.

10. The grant shall be subject to the following conditions:
   a) Recurring grant shall be utilized by 31.03.2017. This sanction fulfills the all above condition as mention in the clause of sanction.
b) It shall be utilized by the State Govt. only for undertaking activities as proposed in the Annual Plan for 2016-2017 and approved by the Government of India on the basis of norms of expenditure.

c) The assets, if any, acquired wholly or substantially out of this grant should not without obtaining prior sanction of the Government of India, be disposed off, encumbered or utilized for purposes other than those for which the grant has been sanctioned.

d) The State Govt. shall maintain a separate and proper account of the expenditure incurred out of the grant and the accounts so maintained shall be open to the audit by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India or by any authority deputed by him for the purpose, as per rules and Internal Audit by the Principal Accounts Office of the Ministry or Department whenever the grantee is called upon to do so.

e) The State Govt. shall furnish this Department with item-wise statement of expenditure on a quarterly basis and other reports on physical and financial progress in approved formats. The State Govt. will also submit annual progress within one month from the close of the financial year. The unspent balance, if any shall be taken into account before funds or subsequent years are released.

f) A register of assets acquired wholly or substantially out of the grant shall be maintained in prescribed form and a certified copy of the register in respect of the assets acquired should be sent to this Ministry not later than one month from the close of the financial year. Such copies should continue to be furnished even after the Government’s grant to the Society has ceased. The statements should relate not only to the assets created during the year to which it relates but to all previous assets so created wholly or substantially out of Government’s grant up to the end of the period to which the return relates. For purposes of determining whether assets have been created substantially out of the Govt. grant, it is not necessary that the amount utilized out of the Government grant should exceed 50%.

g) The accounts and other records of the Society shall be open to inspection by an officer of the Ministry of Human Resource Development or any other person deputed by the Ministry for this purpose.

h) The State Govt. shall fully implement the Official Language Policy of the Union Government i.e. it shall fully comply with Official Language Act, 1963 and Official Language (Use for the official purposes of the Union), Rules, 1976 etc.

i) The amount will be subject to adjustment against future grants on the basis of expenditure in Audited Accounts for this financial year.

j) The State Govt. shall release its stipulated share to State Implementation Society in due time as per the fund sharing pattern mentioned in the guidelines of the scheme.

k) There shall be no appointment of permanent staff, except teachers as per RMSA norms. The existing staff of the State Govt. should be optimally utilized. The principal work of project implementation shall be on the mainstream administrative establishment at State and district levels. In case there is need to appoint additional staff at State and District level, they may be appointed on deputation or on contract basis. In the case of contractual staff for the performance of specialized jobs for which expertise is not available at State/district/block/village levels such staff may be hired and the cost is maintained within the specified management cost as envisaged under the Scheme.
l) In case the implementing society employing more than twenty person on a regular basis, the provision for reservation for scheduled castes, and scheduled tribes and OBCs in posts and services of the organization will be made as per the State Government rules.

m) The grantee shall follow strictly all instructions issued by the Government of India from time to time on reservations of posts of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes.

n) The existing staff of the State Govt. should be optimally utilized. The principal work of project implementation shall be on the mainstream administrative establishment at State and district levels. Staff should be appointed only on contractual basis.

o) The guidelines issued by the Government of India from time to time regarding monitoring, management, and financial control and other procedure would be followed in the execution.

11. This sanction issues in exercise of the delegated powers in consultation with Integrated Finance Division vide their IFD Dy. No. 19 dated 04/01/2017 and the funds have been certified by IF-II vide their Dy. No. 757/2017-IF.II dated 17/01/2017.

12. The Sanction ID pertaining to above release has already been generated.

Yours faithfully,

(H.M Sonkusare)
Under Secretary to the Government of India

Copy to:
1. The Chief Secretary, Govt. of HIMACHAL PRADESH, SE Department.
2. The Principal Secretary, Govt. of HIMACHAL PRADESH.
3. The Secretary, Finance Department, Govt. of HIMACHAL PRADESH.
4. The State Project Director, State Implementation Society, RMSA, HIMACHAL PRADESH.
5. Principal Accountant General (A&E), HIMACHAL PRADESH.
6. Director General of Audit, Central Revenues, AGCR Building, New Delhi-110 001.

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