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Government of India

Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment (Department of Social Justice and Empowerment)

Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi. Dated 20.09.2017

> भारत सरकार, नई दिल्ली Govt. of India, New Delhi

To

The Pay & Accounts Officer, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, New Delhi.

Subject:

Release of **grant-in-aid** under the scheme of Special Central Assistance to Scheduled Castes Sub Plan (SCA to SCSP) to Government of Himachal Pradesh during 2017-2018.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President to the release of an amount of Rs. 5,62,00,000/- (Rupees Five Crore Sixty Lakh only) as grant-in-aid under the scheme of Special Central Assistance to Scheduled Castes Sub Plan (SCA to SCSP) for the following specified activities as per the State Annual Action Plan 2017-18 submitted by Government of Himachal Pradesh:

Activities	Grant (Rs. in crore)
Distribution of seeds/organic farming/plant protection	2.40
scheme/other agriculture activities	
Horticulture	1.08
Animal Husbandry	0.90
Development of Handloom/Sericulture/Rural Engineering based Industries Training Centres/others	
Total	5.62

- 2. The amount sanctioned above is debitable to the Major head-3601-Grants in aid to State Governments; 06-Centrally Sponsored schemes; 789- Special Component Plan for Scheduled Castes; 34- Umbrella Scheme for Development of Scheduled Castes; 06 Special Central Assistance to Scheduled Castes Sub Component; 31- Grants-in-aid General under Demand No. 89 of the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment for 2017-2018 (Plan).
- 3. Arrangements may please be made to credit this amount to State Government in accordance with the procedure laid down in the Ministry of Finance O.M. No. 2(45)/76 Special Cell, dated 30.8.1976, as modified vide O.M. of even number dated 16.9.76 under intimation to us.
- 4. Special Central Assistance being additive to the Scheduled Castes Sub Plan of the States/UTs should be used only for specific sector-wise schemes covering SC Population mentioned at Para 1 as per latest guidelines on the subject.
- 5. The State Government shall furnish quarterly progress reports in respect of utilization of Special Central Assistance to the Government of India, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment within 15 days after the end of each quarter, in the prescribed Proforma sent vide this Ministry's letter No. 11014/18/97-SCD-II dated 11.5.2001.

- 6. As per instructions contained in Ministry of Finance, Deptt. of Economic Affairs Circular No. F 2(23)-13 (CDN)/95 dated 10.2.1995 any unspent balance amount of previous year(s) cannot be carried forward for expenditure during the next financial year but will be adjusted against the amount of SCA due to State Governments/UT Administrations for the current year, at the time of release of final installment for the current year. The States/UTs have to ensure the full utilization of funds for the purpose for which it is given to them.
- 7. The names and details of the assisted beneficiaries under the scheme may be displayed on the website of State Government/Department dealing with the development of Scheduled Castes.
- 8. As per the instructions contained in Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure's Circular No. 7 (1) E. Coord/2008 dated 5.6.2008 no amount shall be released to any State which has defaulted in furnishing Utilizations Certificates for grants-in-aid released by the Central Government in the past.
- 9. It is certified that no UC is pending against the Government of Himachal Pradesh.
- 10. The organization will maintain separate accounts in respect of the grants-in-aid received for this project. The accounts will remain open for inspection by the representatives or the officers from the Office of Comptroller and Auditor General of India/Government of India/concerned State Government at any time. The organization will have the accounts of the grant-in-aid audited either by the Govt. Auditor or Chartered Accountant and shall furnish the Utilization Certificate on the prescribed format i.e. GFR-19 in original duly signed by authorized signatory of the grantee organization as well as by the Chartered Accountant to this Ministry.
- 11. The accounts will 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 Institution or Organization is called upon to do so.
- 12. This issues with the concurrence of the Integrated Finance Division of this Ministry vide their Dy. No. 13533/JS&FA/2017 dated 19.09.2017.

Yours faithfully,

(M. Jena)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India ENA)

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1. **Director**,SCs,OBCs, Minorities & SA, Directorate of Empowerment for SCs,OBCs, Minorities & SA,Government of Himachal Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-09 w.r.t their letter No. SOMA-SCSP (D.32-SCA)6-1/2015-III 8593 dated 13th July, 2017.

- 2. The Accountant General, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla.
- 3. The Secretary, Deptt.of Planning, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla.
- 4. The Secretary, Deptt. of Finance, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla.
- 5. The Secretary, Deptt. of Social Welfare, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla.
- 6. Chairman and Managing Director, NSFDC, Scope Minar, 14th Floor, Laxmi Nagar District Centre, Delhi- 110092
- 7. Director (IFD), Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi.

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