

F. No. 24/Himachal Pradesh/2023-CompCell [384749]
Government of India
Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution
Department of Food and Public Distribution

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi – 110001
Dated : 15.05.2024

To

Pay and Accounts Officer,
Pay and Account Office,
Department of Food and Public Distribution,
4th Floor, Jeevan Deep Building,
Parliament Street, New Delhi-110001

Subject:- Release of advance first installment of central share for implementation of the Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) – “Scheme for Modernization and Reforms through Technology in Public Distribution System (SMART-PDS)” during the year 2024-25 to State Government of Himachal Pradesh –reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Department's Administrative Approval issued vide letter No.4(1)/2020/Comp.Cell dated 04.05.2023 for **implementation of the Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) – “Scheme for Modernization and Reforms through Technology in Public Distribution System (SMART-PDS)”** in all State/UT during the period of 3 years (April 2023 to March 2026). In this regard, proposal dated 01.05.2024 received from State Government of Himachal Pradesh seeking financial assistance for advance of first installment for the implementation of the scheme has been examined by this Department.

2. Further, As per Administrative Approval dated 04.05.2023, the funds would be released to F&CS Department of the States/UTs in twelve installments (each installment of 25% of one year cost) subject to fulfillment of conditions mentioned therein. For releasing the financial assistance of first installment following conditions are to be met:

- i. Submission of State specific proposal as per template provided by DoF&PD.
- ii. Signed of MoU between State/UT and DoF&PD.

3. The total admissible cost under SMART-PDS Scheme for the State Government of Himachal Pradesh is Rs.1,03,41,048/- for one year, out of which Government of India's share is 90% i.e. Rs.93,06,943/-. State Government of Himachal Pradesh fulfills the conditions mentioned in above para 2 for release of first installment of central share @ 25% i.e. Rs.23,26,700/- (rounded off) under SMART-PDS Scheme. Accordingly, in compliance, I am directed to convey the sanction of President of India for payment of **Rs. 23,26,700/- (Rupees Twenty-Three Lakh Twenty-Six Thousand and Seven Hundred Only) as advance first installment to the State Government of Himachal Pradesh** for implementation of Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) – “Scheme for Modernization and Reforms through Technology in Public Distribution System (SMART-PDS)” during the current FY 2024-25 as per Annex-1.

4. The above sanction is subject to the following conditions:

- i. All terms and conditions stipulated in the MoU shall be observed strictly by the State/UT Government.
- ii. The sanctioned amount shall be spent for the purpose for which it is being sanctioned. Utilization Certificate in the prescribed proforma (Annex-II) would be furnished by the State/UT Government immediately on utilization of the sanctioned amount.

- iii. The 2nd instalment of 25% would be released only after receipt of the UC, duly authenticated in prescribed proforma. The utilization of funds also to be uploaded on PFMS portal.
- iv. Any part of the sanctioned amount which is not utilized shall be refunded to the Central Government immediately, along with the Utilization Certificate in the prescribed proforma in respect of amount spent.
- v. In case of non-utilization of the sanctioned amount, the State/UT Government shall also pay penal interest thereon as per provisions contained in the General Financial Rules, Government of India.
- vi. Strict compliance of all the conditions mentioned in Election Commission of India's letter dated 23.03.2024 (copy enclosed).

5. The expenditure involved is debitible to following heads of accounts under Demand No.15 for the Financial Year 2024-25:

Debitable Head	Amount (in Rs.)
3601.06.101.60.00.31 "Grants-in-aid-General to State Government"	23,26,700

6. This sanction is issued in exercise of the powers conferred on this Ministry in concurrence with the Integrated Finance Division vide their Dy. No. 386195 dated 10.05.2024.

Encl: As above.

Yours faithfully,



(Ashok Kumar)

Under Secretary to the Government of India
Tele: 011-23383942

Copy to:

1. Secretary, Department of Food & Civil Supplies, State Government of Himachal Pradesh.
2. IFD, DoF&PD.
3. DDO, Cash Section, DoF&PD – with request to forward this Sanction to Pay and Account Office, 4th Floor, Jeevan Deep Building, Parliament Street, New Delhi-110001 for payment of **Rs. 23,26,700/- (Rupees Twenty-Three Lakh Twenty-Six Thousand and Seven Hundred Only) as advance first installment to the State Government of Himachal Pradesh** under SMART-PDS scheme.
4. Budget Section, DoFPD - For kind information.
5. Guard File.



(Sanjay Kathpalia)
Section Officer (Comp. Cell)

Annex-I

Funds admissible to State/UT Government under SMART - PDS for one year.

(In Rs.)

S.No.	Component	Per Monthly rate (excl. applicable GST/TDS)	NICSI Charges 9%	GST 18%	Total	No. of Units	No. of Months	Total cost of 12 months
1	Project Manager/Consultant	2,25,000	20,250	44,145	2,89,395	1	12	34,72,740
2	Data Analyst (Analysis Support)	2,25,000	20,250	44,145	2,89,395	1	12	34,72,740
3	Technical Support Staff/Developer	70,000	6,300	13,734	90,034	2	12	21,60,816
4	Support Staff/Help Desk staff	40,000	3,600	7,848	51,448	2	12	12,34,752
Total								1,03,41,048
Central share @ 90%								93,06,943
1st Instalment @ 25% of Central Share								23,26,736
Funds released as 1st instalment to State Govt								23,26,700

FORM GFR 12-C
[(See Rule 239)]

FORM OF UTILIZATION CERTIFICATE (FOR STATE GOVERNMENTS)
(Where expenditure incurred by government bodies only)

S. No.	Letter No. and Date	Amount	Certified that out of Rs. _____ of grants sanctioned during the year _____ in favour of _____ Under this Ministry/Department Letter No. given in the margin and Rs. _____ on account of unspent balance of the previous year, a sum of Rs. _____ has been utilized for the purpose of _____ for which it was sanctioned and that the balance of Rs. _____ remaining unutilized at the end of the year has been surrendered to Government (vide No. _____ dated _____) /will be adjusted towards the grants-in-aid payable during the next year _____.
	Total		

2. Certified that I have satisfied myself that the conditions on which the grant-in-aid was sanctioned have been duly fulfilled/ are being fulfilled and that I have exercised the following checks to see that the money was actually utilized for the purpose for which it was sanctioned.

Kind of checks exercised:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

Authorized Signatory.....
Name.....
Designation.....
Date.....
Seal.....