

No.10-16/2020-SD.VI
Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated 26th September, 2022

To,

The Pay and Accounts Officer (Sectt.),
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare,
Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare,
Jeevan Tara Building, 3rd Floor,
Parliament Street,
New Delhi-110001.

Subject: Sanction of financial assistance to Government of Himachal Pradesh for implementation of Seed Village Program under 'Seeds and Planting Material (erstwhile SMSP)' during 2022-23.

Sir,

With reference to Director of Agriculture, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh letter No. Agr.H(II)F(7)2/2014-V dated 27.06.2022, I am directed to convey the sanction of the Competent Authority for release of **Rs.39,00,600/- (Rupees Thirty Nine Lakh Six Hundred only)** as first installment in favour of Government of Himachal Pradesh (exclusively for ST Farmers) for implementation of Seed Village Programme under 'Seeds and Planting Material (erstwhile SMSP)' for the financial year 2022-23.

2. The above release of fund is subject to following terms and conditions:
 - a. The fund will be utilized only for the purpose it is released (i.e. exclusively for ST Farmers) and no diversion of fund will be allowed in any case.
 - b. The Grantee Institutions or Organizations will submit quarterly Physical and Financial Progress Report etc. within the stipulated time or as required by Government of India.
 - c. The Grantee Institutions or Organizations will submit Utilization Certificate in prescribed format as per (GFR-12C) on PFMS only [Rule 86(6)].
 - d. The above release of fund is subject to terms and conditions and Guidelines set forth by this Department.
3. The expenditure involved is debitible to Demand No.1-Agriculture, Major Head 3601-Grants-in-Aid to State Governments, 06 – Centrally Sponsored Scheme (Submajor Head), 796-Tribal Area Sub Plan (Minor Head), 80-Krishonnati Yojana, 01-Seeds and Planting Material, 800131-Grants-in-aid General.
4. The Finance Department of the State Government is requested to release the funds to Department of Agriculture, Government of Himachal Pradesh within 15 days of the release of funds by the Government of India.
5. Necessary Utilization Certificate has been uploaded in the PFMS.
6. The nature of grants is recurring.
7. 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.

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अवर सचिव / Under Secretary
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8. Further use of Grants in Aid being released by this sanction order, is to be done through EAT module of PFMS. The Utilization Certificate not supported by the EAT module data is likely to be rejected and expenditure is not to be treated as regular. The agency 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 this sanction.

9. Rule 236(1)-Audit of Accounts. The accounts of all grantee Institutions or Organizations 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 Institution or Organization is called upon to do so and a provision to this effect should invariably be incorporated in all orders sanctioning grants-in-aid.

10. This Sanction has been noted at Sl.No .02, Page No.106 of the Control Register of Grants for 2022-23 as per requirement of GFR 2017.

11. As per DoE's O.M. dated 25.07.2022, relaxation for release of 50% of the funds earmarked for a State in 1st installment of 2022-23 has been granted till 30th September, 2022.

12. The sanction issues with the concurrence of the Integrated Finance Division of this Department vide Dy.No.88939-FTS/AS&FA, dated 25.08.2022.

Yours faithfully,

S.S. Vagulaparnam 26.9.2022
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Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

Copy to :

1. Principal Secretary (Agriculture), Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla for information.
2. Secretary (Finance), Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla for information.
3. Secretary (Planning), Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla for information.
4. Director, Directorate of Agriculture, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla for implementation of program. It is requested that District wise and Block wise list of villages covered under the program may be put on the website of the State Government and a copy of same be sent to this office also.
5. Accountant General-1, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh for information.

S.S. Vagulaparnam 26.9.2022
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Copy to:

1. Director of Audit, Economic & Services Ministries, AGCR Building, Indraprastha Estate, New Delhi.
2. Under Secretary (Fin.III), DA&FW, New Delhi.
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