No.23/Himachal Pradesh/2012-Comp.Cell
Government of India
Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution
Department of Food and Public Distribution
Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi – 110001
Date: 19th August, 2016.

To,

The Principal Accounts Officer,
Office of Chief Controller of Accounts,
Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution,
Department of Food and Public Distribution,
Jeevandeep Building, Parliament Street,
New Delhi – 110 001

Subject: Sanction of financial assistance for implementation of the scheme on ‘End-to-end Computerisation of Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) Operations’ in the State of Himachal Pradesh.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the government of Himachal Pradesh letter dated August, 2016 regarding release of second instalment of central share for implementation of Plan scheme on ‘End-to-End Computerization of TPDS Operations’ in the State.

2. As per the provisions contained in the Administrative Approval dated 10.12.2012 and modified guidelines dated 31.08.2015 issued by this Department, Central share of funds are to be released to the States/UTs in 3 instalments i.e. 60%, 30% and 10% respectively subject to the fulfillment of conditions mentioned therein. For release of the second instalment of Central share, following conditions are to be met by the States/UTs:

1. Submission of Utilization Certificate (UCs) to the extent of 60% of the funds released by D/o F&PD as first instalment.
2. Release of matching funds i.e. 60% of States/UTs share.
3. Operationalisation of following components envisaged under the Scheme across the State
   (a). Complete digitalization of beneficiary and other databases.
   (b). Online allocation of foodgrains upto FPS level based on the digitized beneficiaries data.
   (c). Setting up of Transparency Portal and
   (d). Grievance redressal mechanism.
4. Security audit of state portal through STQC or any agency empanelled by CERT-In.

3. First instalment of Rs. 4,23,97,000/- was released to Government of Himachal Pradesh vide letter of even number dated 20.11.2013. Since the State Government of the Himachal Pradesh has fulfilled conditions laid down in para 2 above, it has been decided to release second instalment of central share to the State. A copy of Utilization Certificate for an
amount of Rs. 3,27,73,723/- which is more than 60% of first instalment released to Government of Himachal Pradesh is enclosed at Annex-I. Taking into consideration, the availability of funds, an amount of Rs 2, 11, 97, 808/- (Rupees two crore eleven lakhs ninety seven thousand eight hundred and eight only) (limited to 90%) may be released to the State Government as part payment of second instalment. I am, therefore, directed to convey sanction of the President of India for drawal and payment Rs 2, 11, 97, 808/- (Rupees two crore eleven lakhs ninety seven thousand eight hundred and eight only) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh.

4. A consolidated Utilization Certificate in the prescribed proforma (Annex-II) for the whole amount released to the State Government would be furnished by the State Government in accordance with the General Financial Rules. Necessary credit may, therefore, be accorded to the State Government Account as per the procedure laid down in clause 8.18.1 of the Civil Accounts Manual under intimation to this Department.

5. 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 Government.
   (ii) The amount shall be spent for the purpose for which it is being sanctioned. 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.
   (iii) In case of non-utilization of the sanctioned amount, the State Government shall also pay penal interest thereon as per provisions contained in the General Financial Rules, Government of India.

6. The expenditure involved is debitable to the following Head of Account:

   Demand No. 17 - Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution, Department of Food & Public Distribution (2016-17)

   Major Head “3601” - Grants-in-aid to State Governments

   03 - Grants for Central Plan Schemes
   03.414 - Civil Supplies - Other Grants
   01.02 - Financial Assistance to States for computerization of TPDS operations
   01.02.31 - Grants-in-aid-General

7. This sanction is issued in exercise of the powers conferred on this Ministry in consultation with the Integrated Finance Division vide their Dy. No. E-330984/F dated 12.8.2016.

Encl: As above.

Yours faithfully,

(D.R. Gupta)
Director (PD)
Tele: 011-2307 0429
Copy forwarded for necessary action to:

1. Principal Secretary/Secretary, Department of Food & Civil Supplies, Government of Himachal Pradesh.
2. Accountant General, Government of Himachal Pradesh. The amount may be credited to the State Government account.
3. Director General, National Informatics Centre, New Delhi.
4. Director, (Finance), D/o Food & Public Distribution, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110 001
5. DDO Cash Section, D/o Food & Public Distribution, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi – with the request to forward sanction to Office of the Chief Controller of Accounts, D/o Food & Public Distribution, Jeevandeep Building, Parliament Street, New Delhi–110001 for payment of Rs 2, 11, 97, 808/- (Rupees two crore eleven lakhs ninety seven thousand eight hundred and eight only) to the State Government of Himachal Pradesh as second instalment towards implementation of Plan scheme on ‘End-to-End Computerization of TPDS Operations’.
6. Budget Section, D/o Food & Public Distribution, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110 001
7. Sanction Folder of Computerisation Cell, D/o Food & Public Distribution, New Delhi-110 001
8. Guard File.

(D.K. Gupta)
Director (PD)
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(See Rule 212 (1))

Form of Utilization Certificate

Certified that out of Rs. 4,23,97,000/- (Rupees Four Crore Twenty Three lakhs Ninety Seven Thousand only) of Grants in aid sanctioned during the years 2012-17 in favor of Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs Department under Department of Food & Public Distribution, Government of India letter No. 23/HP/2012/Computer-Cell dated 20th Nov 2013, a sum of Rs.3,27,73,723/- (Rupees Three Crore Twenty Seven lakhs Seventy Three Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Three only) has been utilized in 2012-16, for the purpose of implementation of Plan Scheme on "End to End Computerization of Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) Operations" for which it was sanctioned.

2. Certified that I have satisfied myself that the conditions on which the grants in aid was sanctioned have been duly fulfilled/are being fulfilled and that the money was actually utilized for the purpose for which it was sanctioned.

[Signature]

President (EB) cum-Director,
Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla
Annex – II

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[See Rule 212 (1)]

Form for Utilization Certificate

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Certified that out of Rs. __ (Rupees __ only) of grants-in-aid sanctioned during the year __ in favour of __ under Department of Food & Public Distribution, Government of India letter no. __ dated __ and Rs. __ (Rupees __ only) on account of unspent balance of the previous year, a sum of Rs. __ has been utilized for the purpose of implementation of Plan scheme on ‘End-to-end Computerization of Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) Operations’ for which it was sanctioned and that the balance of Rs. __ (Rupees __ only) 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 __.

2. Certified that I have satisfied myself that the conditions on which the grants-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.

Kinds of checks exercised:

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Signature

Designation: ____________

Government of ____________

Date: ____________