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Government of India
Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
Department of Social Justice and Empowerment

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi

Dated: 25th March, 2025

To,

The Principal Secretaries/ Secretaries in charge of Social Welfare/
Scheduled Castes Welfare Department in the State of Uttar
Pradesh, Punjab and Chhattisgarh.

Subjectg: Minutes of the 3rd meeting of the Project Appraisal cum Convergence Committee (PACC) for 2024-25 held through VC on 25.03.2025 for the 'Grants-in-aid' component of the scheme of Pradhan Mantri Anusuchit Jaati Abhyuday Yojana (PM-AJAY) - reg.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of the approved Minutes of the 3rd meeting of the Project Appraisal cum Convergence Committee (PACC) in FY 2024-25 held through VC on 25.03.2025 at 12.30 PM under the chairpersonship of Secretary, Department of Social Justice and Empowerment for the 'Grants-in-aid' component of the scheme of Pradhan Mantri Anusuchit Jaati Abhyuday Yojana (PM-AJAY) for kind information and necessary action, please.

Encl: As above.

Signed by Rakesh Kumar

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MINUTES OF 3rd MEETING OF THE PROJECT APPRAISAL CUM CONVERGENCE COMMITTEE (PACC) FOR THE YEAR 2024-25 HELD THROUGH VC ON 25.03.2025 FOR THE 'GRANTS-IN-AID' COMPONENT OF THE SCHEME OF PRADHAN MANTRI ANUSUCHIT JAATI ABHYUDAY YOJANA (PM-AJAY)

The 3rd meeting of the Project Appraisal cum Convergence Committee (PACC) for the year 2024-25, set up under the Scheme of Pradhan Mantri Anusuchit Jaati Abhyuday Yojana (PM-AJAY) to consider the projects under the component of 'Grants in Aid for District/ State-level projects for Socio-Economic betterment of SCs' {erstwhile scheme of Special Central Assistance to Scheduled Castes Sub Plan (SCA to SCSP)}, was held through VC on 25.03.2025 at 12:30 PM under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Department of Social Justice and Empowerment. Additional Secretary (CKD) and Joint Secretary (PM-AJAY) were also present in the meeting.

2. As per the guidelines of the scheme of PM-AJAY, it is required for the States/Union Territories to upload their Perspective Plans (PPs) for the year 2023-24, 2024-25 and 2025-26 on PM-AJAY Portal exclusively devised for the purpose. The Perspective Plans of Uttar Pradesh and Chhattisgarh for 2024-25, 2025-26, Additional Perspective Plan of Punjab for 2024-25 were considered in the meeting.

3. Initiating the discussion, Additional Secretary (CKD) welcomed all the participants and Joint Secretary, PM-AJAY briefed the scheme and thereafter, with the permission of the chair, the State Governments were requested to present/ brief their projects before the PACC.

(A) Uttar Pradesh:

(i) The State Government of Uttar Pradesh has submitted the Perspective Plan (PP) for the years 2024-25, 2025-26 and 2026-27 under GIA component of PM-AJAY scheme. Total 110 projects have been uploaded on the portal with a total estimated cost of the project being **Rs.95,760.22 lakh** for estimated **2,36,030 SC Beneficiaries**. The State Government has submitted proposals in two interventions only viz. Income Generation and Skill Development as well as Administrative Expenses under the Scheme. The details of break-up of projects are as under:

(Rs. in Lakh)

S. N.	Intervention	Total No. of Projects	2024-25		2025-26		2026-27		Total project cost
			Amount	No. of beneficiaries	Amount	No. of beneficiaries	Amount	No. of beneficiaries	
1	Income Generation Activity	56	22870.00	46040	20225.00	40750	15537.50	31375	58632.50

S. N.	Intervention	Total No. of Projects	2024-25		2025-26		2026-27		project cost
			Amount	No. of beneficiaries	Amount	No. of beneficiaries	Amount	No. of beneficiaries	
1	Income Generation Activity	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	Skill Development	2	1004.46	2000	0	0	0	0	1004.46
3	Infrastructure Development	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	Special Tutoring	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	Funds for Administration, Monitoring and Evaluation of scheme (4% of the proposed project cost)	-	40.17	-	0	-	0	-	40.17
	Total	2	1044.63	2000	0	0	0	0	1044.63

(ii) The projects submitted by the State Government were discussed by the PACC and **the PACC approved the additional projects of Perspective Plan for 2024-25.**

The following was also decided as a condition for release of funds:

(a) The State shall when submitting the utilisation certificate with regard to Skilling Component certify that the at least 70% of the trainees have either been self employed and are wage earners or have got an employment.

(C) Chhattisgarh: The Perspective Plan of State Government was deferred.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.
