

No. 11014/31/2020-SCD-II (SCA to SCSP)
Government of India
Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment
(Department of Social Justice and Empowerment)

Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi.

Dated 23.03.2021

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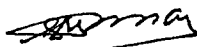
The Pay & Accounts Officer,
Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment,
New Delhi.

Subject: Release of Additional Central Assistance (3rd installment) as Grants-in-aid under the scheme of Special Central Assistance to Scheduled Castes Sub Plan (SCA to SCSP) to the State Government of West Bengal during 2020-21

Sir,

I am directed to convey the approval of the President to the sanction of Rs. 7,97,46,000/- and simultaneous release of the amount of Rs.7,97,46,000/- (Rupees Seven crore Ninety Seven Lakh and Forty Six thousand only) as grant-in-aid to the State Government of West Bengal under the scheme of Special Central Assistance to Scheduled Castes Sub Plan (SCA to SCSP) during 2020-21 for the activities as per the Annual Action Plan submitted by the State Government of West Bengal subject to the following conditions issued by the Secretariat of the Election Commission of India vide letter no . 437/6/CG/LA-MULTI/LET/FUNCT/MCC/2021 dated 13th March, 2021:

- i. There shall be no publicity in this regard in electronic, print, radio, internet or, any other media, in any form whatsoever.
 - ii. No political functionary shall make any reference in this regard during any public speech or communication to the press or public.
 - iii. These restrictions on publicity will be applicable to the Central Government as well as the State Governments concerned.
 - iv. The relevant provisions of Model Code of Conduct issued by the Commission shall be strictly followed.
 - v. No new work shall be taken up afresh during MCC period.
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. 92 of the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment for 2020-2021 (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 and approval given by the PAC.
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 as mentioned in the Scheme guidelines.


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अवर सचिव / Under Secretary
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6. As per instructions contained in Ministry of Finance, Department 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 which is required prior to this release is pending against the Government of West Bengal.
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-12C in original duly signed by the Competent Authority.
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. 34810/JS&FA/2020 dated 16.03.2021

Yours faithfully,



(Sanjay Kumar)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

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5. The Secretary, Department of Social Welfare, Govt. of West Bengal, Kolkata.
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