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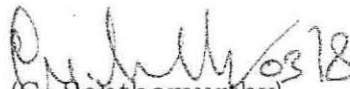
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Sub: PRD – Meeting held on 12.07.2017 to review the progress of expenditure on Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSSs) under the Chairmanship of Commissioner-cum-Secretary (Planning) - Minutes of the meeting – Communication of - Reg.

Minutes of the meeting held on 12.07.2017 under the Chairmanship of Commissioner-cum-Secretary (Planning) to review the progress of expenditure on Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSSs) is sent herewith for necessary follow-up action. So, as to save precious paper and as mentioned at para 4 of the minutes, the power point presentation is forwarded as soft copy to all the Departments concerned through e-mail, which may please be referred.

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Encl: As stated.


To

1. All Head of Departments dealing with CSS

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2. Director of Accounts and Treasuries
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MINUTES OF THE MEETING TO REVIEW THE PROGRESS OF EXPENDITURE ON CENTRALLY SPONSORED SCHEMES (CSS) HELD UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF COMMISSIONER-CUM- SECRETARY(PLANNING) ON 12.07.2017 IN THE CONFERENCE HALL OF CHIEF SECRETARIAT, PUDUCHERRY

A meeting to review the progress of expenditure on Centrally Sponsored Scheme for the 1st Quarter ending June 2017 of Budget Estimate 2017-18 was held on 12.07.2017 under the Chairmanship of Commissioner-cum-Secretary (Planning) in the Conference Hall of the Chief Secretariat. Secretary (Fisheries) and Heads of Department concerned attended the meeting. A list of participants of the meeting is annexed.

2. At the outset, Secretary (Planning) welcomed all the participants and stated that the overall expenditure incurred under Centrally Sponsored/Sector Schemes till June is Rs.21.76 crore as against the Budgeted Estimate of Rs.340.54 crore which works out to just 6%. The expenditure is very meagre and the percentage of achievement should be more than 15% for the Q1. As the available resources under B.E. 2017-18 are very limited, the expenditure booking under CSS is very crucial and the burden on state budget can be reduced by accelerating the booking of CSS funds which in turn will pave way for flow of more funds from GoI subject to effective utilization of the released fund and furnishing of Utilization Certificates (UCs) properly to the Ministry/Departments concerned.

3. Before reviewing the CSS expenditure in detail, Secretary (Planning) highlighted the following points / developments:

i. GoI has revised the Financial Rules and notified the new General Financial Rules, 2017 (GFR) by incorporation of all modifications / changes / improvements since 2005. In this regard, Finance Department has already issued a communication to all the Departments informing the notification / adoption of new GFR,2017 by Govt of Puducherry . All the Government Departments, PSUs and Autonomous Organizations under the administrative control of Government of Puducherry have to strictly follow the provisions of GFR,2017 in respect of all matters involving public finances and expenditure.

(Action : All Departments and Autonomous Bodies)

ii. The GST has come into effect from 1.7.2017. All the Government departments / autonomous bodies procuring goods / availing various services , are required to register immediately in the GST

portal for getting TDS ID No. The departments procuring goods / availing services have to ensure that applicable GST is levied / paid by the goods supplier / service provider.

(Action : All Departments)

- iii. A circular has been issued for deduction of Professional Tax by DDOs. The DAT has been mandated to arrange for deduction/collection of such quarterly tax from the salary of the staff of all Government departments and remit the same to the concerned local bodies.

(Action : All Departments, DDOs & DAT)

- iv. Repeated complaints are being received from Electricity department regarding arrear/non-payment of Electricity bills by Government departments/Local Bodies/PSUs/Institutions which inturn impact the achievement of revenue target. Therefore, in order to sensitize the departments on this issue, the Finance department shall insist for 'no pendency certificate' regarding electricity charges while according expenditure sanctions/GIA releases to departments/Local Bodies/PSU's/Institutions.

(Action : Finance Department)

- v. Principal Accountant General has indicated that huge number of audit paras (3930 nos.) are pending with various departments in GoP. It is instructed that departments should clear the Audit paras immediately and an Audit Committee Meeting should be convened by every department under the chairmanship of the Administrative Secretary concerned to monitor the regular clearance of audit paras in a time bound manner. A compliance report should be submitted to Finance department in this regard.

(Action : All Departments)

- vi. In the existing financial scenario, departments should exercise strict expenditure control and financial prudence. There is no scope for additional funds and therefore departments should avoid moving such proposals to Government.

(Action : All Departments)

4. Then, the department-wise detailed review was taken up through Power Point Presentation. The details contained in the presentation are to be read as part of these minutes. The major points that emerged during the course of review are as follows:-

AD Welfare

- (i) Skill development, (ii) Award of Scholarships to SC children whose parents are engaged in unclean operation and (iii) Construction of SC Boys and Girls Hostel are the three components implemented under CSS programme.
- As Labour Department is implementing Skill Development programme, it is reported that the Secretary (Welfare) has advised to transfer the component to Labour Dept.
- As there are no manual scavengers in the UT of Puducherry, clarification has been sought from Ministry of Social Justice on whether the available fund can be diverted to some other needy programme or it has to be returned back. The
- A proposal has been sent to Ministry for release of Rs.15.85 crore towards Construction of SC Boys and Girls Hostels. Secretary(Planning) has advised the Dept to closely follow-up the proposal in the Ministry .

Agriculture

- Under ATMA programme, proposal to a tune of Rs.1.63 crore has been sent to GOI and the funds are yet to be received.
- The current year proposal for RKVY scheme is ready and it will be sent to the Ministry soon.
- Director(Animal Husbandry) has informed that an amount Rs.17 lakh received under RKVY for distribution of back ended subsidy and the UC will be submitted by this month end to Agriculture department.
- Under the scheme “Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana”, the available amount of Rs.99.78 lakhs will be utilised soon after the receipt of ratification order from GoI.
- For “National e-Governance Plan – Agriculture (NeGP)”, an amount of Rs.89,000 is received from Government of India only during the fag end of the last financial year and the same will be utilized in the current year.

Animal Husbandry

- A proposal with Action Plan for Rs.3.26 crore has been sent to GoI towards the scheme “Livestock Health and Disease Control Programme” and Rs.55 lakh is expected from GoI this year.
- As the provision was not made in the B.E 2017-18 towards the State Share (30%) for the scheme “National Livestock Management programme”, the expenditure will be booked with State Share for which necessary modification will be sought for.

Art & Culture

- An Expert Committee has been constituted. Soon after the receipt of final report from M/s INTACH, the expenditure will be booked for renovation of Museum.

DRDA

- Rs.4.83 crore has been booked so far under MGNREGA. Since the GoI pays the amount directly to the beneficiaries account, Secretary(Planning) advised to reduce the outlay during the R.E.
- Rs.1.10 crore has been booked and a proposal to a tune of Rs.1.37 crore towards the provision of Rolling fund has been sent to GOI under NRLM. The entire amount will be booked.
- Expenditure sanction sought for to Rs.4.40 crore from Finance department to the scheme “Nirmal Bharath Abhiyan”.
- Rs.21 lakh has been booked and the remaining amount will be utilized soon under the scheme “Shyama Prasad Mukerji Rurban Mission”.

Civil Supplies

- Secretary(Plg.) suggested that the amount available under Consumer Awareness programme can be used for creating GST awareness among the consumers and consumer associations.

School Education

- Rs.3.08 crore has been booked as on date under the scheme SSA. The remaining amount will be spent in a phased manner.
- Rs.18.21 lakh has been booked and the remaining amount will be booked after receipt of the bill from M/s PAPSCO under MDM.
- Regarding RMSA, UC will be furnished shortly.

- UC has already been submitted to GOI for DIET and further release is expected during the 2nd quarter.
- The allocated amount of Rs.27 crore under CSS programme requires Rs.10 crore as State Share for booking the expenditure. Secretary(Plg.) informed that during the meeting convened at NITI Aayog, CM has raised the issue of grant of 100% funding to UTP and a favourable response is expected.
- Regarding ICT, proposal has already been submitted to GOI and release of fund is awaited

Higher Education

- Under RUSA, an amount of Rs.46 crore was approved by GOI. UC will be submitted shortly to the Ministry concerned and release of funds from GOI is expected in the month of August, 2017.

Fisheries

- Under Savings-cum-Relief for Marine Fishermen scheme, an amount of Rs.1 crore could not be utilized, since GOI has changed the scheme name as Blue Revolution.
- Regarding establishment of Harbour at Yanam, sanction has been issued and the expenditure will be booked by PWD.
- GoI approached to release of Rs.1.60 crore towards the establishment of Harbour at Mahe.
- For the scheme "Development of Coastal Fisheries through Motorisation of Traditional Crafts", approval of the Government has been obtained recently and GO will be issued soon.
- As the two schemes viz. (i) Strengthening of Database & Information Network, (ii) Rebate on HSD Oil are not in operation, it is advised that DAT may initiate action to refund the amount to GoI.

Forestry

- Forestry department may utilize the services of the Building Centre for executing civil works instead of depending only on PWD. The department may utilize the available fund for beautification of Ossudu lake to attract more Tourists.

Health

- Under NHM, Rs.35.97 crore has been allocated and Rs.4.73 crore has been spent out of the receipts of Rs.16.31 crore.
- The department needs to accelerate the expenditure booking under NRHM so as to get further release of fund from GOI.
- As the fund under “National AIDS & STD Control Programme” has been credited directly to the Society’s accounts, Health Dept. has been advised to deposit the directly received funds into the Treasury to reflect it in the State Budget and thereafter expenditure to be booked as per the revised GFR 2017.
- Health Dept needs to take sincere action for implementation of RSBY. Under the scheme “Social Security for Unorganized Workers including Rashtriya Swasthaya Bima Yojana” , Health Dept. has to coordinate with the Labour Department for issuing ID Cards to all the Members

ISM

- Though an expenditure of Rs.28.00 lakhs has been incurred under AYUSH programme, the details are not reflected in the DAT statement. Therefore, the department should approach the DAT immediately to streamline the receipts and expenditure booking as per the GFR 2017.

Industries

- As the two schemes viz. (i) Upgradation of Database-Collection of Statistics of SSI (ii) Survey of 1st Census of Pharmaceutical Units are not in operation, DAT may take action to refund the meager amount available to GoI.

Labour

- Under Skill Development, Administrative approval for Rs.10.00 crore was accorded and out of Rs.2.98 crore received from GOI, Rs.2.18 lakh was booked. It is observed that being a Flagship programme, GoI predominately gives importance for this scheme and the department should take timely action to utilize the fund for the scheme.
- Labour Dept to hand over list of RSBY beneficiaries and issue ID cards “Social Security for Unorganized Workers including Rashtriya Swasthaya Bima Yojana” to Health Department

LAD

- Proposal has already been submitted to GOI for the scheme National Urban Livelihood Mission. For Swatch Bharat Mission, proposals are under process and it will be submitted to GOI shortly.
- Regarding implementation of AMRUT, proposal has been sent to the State Level Committee for approval and the same will be sent to GOI for release of fund.
- Under Smart City, DPR has to be submitted to GOI for release of fund. PWD and LAD are coordinating to implement the Smart City mission.
- As already indicated, DAT may take action to refund the amount to GOI for the un-operated scheme “Information and Communication Technology (ICT) – Infrastructure of Rural Local Bodies”.

Police

- Proposal under Police Modernization has been sent to GOI and release of fund is expected. This fund will be utilized for purchase of patrol vehicle under Safe City Project.
- As the fund under the scheme “Enforcement of PCR Act” meant for salary, it will be utilized in a phased manner.
- Regarding the new CSS scheme “Implementation of Nationwide Emergency Response System”, preparation of DPR is under progress and will be submitted to the Ministry concerned shortly.

Public Works

- Under NRDWP, the expenditure has been booked directly without adherence to GFR norms. The department must get necessary ratification for the expenditure already incurred.
- Out of the amount of Rs.13.85 allocated under Judiciary, Rs.10.80 crore is only enough for renovation of old Court complex for the current year and Rs.3 crore is allocated for construction staff quarters at Karaikal region which is in progress.
- The amount of Rs.74,000/- released under the scheme “Development of Water Resources Information System” shall be refunded to GOI since the scheme is not in operation.

Statistics

- Under the scheme "Support for Statistical Strengthening", five-components are operated which include one new component for which a MoU is pending with GOI. The earmarked fund will be utilized gradually for the remaining components.

Survey

- Action initiated for construction of modern record rooms and procurement of GPS instruments and the fund will be utilized shortly.

Tourism

- Funds under the scheme "Infrastructure Development for Destination and Circuits" will be utilized for the work viz. Walk way at Karaikal and Mahe and tourism infrastructure in Yanam.

Town & Country Planning

- Under JNNURM programme, funds were released to PRTC for purchase of Stage Carriages (Buses). Transport Dept. / PRTC to expedite submission of UCs for the released amount.
- Out of the receipt of Rs.19.20 crore under the scheme "Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana – Housing for All", sanction is yet to be issued, as a decision on state share is yet to be finalized. However, proposal for Rs.18.76 crore is prepared and recently sent to Finance department for approval.
- Under AMRUT, the GOI released amount of Rs.45 lakh will be utilized soon.

Welfare of Backward Classes and Minorities

- Applications received from students would be submitted to GOI and the scholarship amount would be transferred to the beneficiary accounts under DBT mode.

Women & Child Development

- As the ministry of WCD is contemplating some changes in the scheme "National Mission for Empowerment of Women" during the current financial year, the release of funds may get delayed. But the proposal to Grant-in-Aid to the tune of Rs. 4.11 lakh to be released to the State Resource Centre for Women is ready for submission to the Government.

- Under the scheme SABLA, Aadhaar and Bank account details of the beneficiaries are being collected for DBT on-boarding and the funds will be utilized after the task is completed.
- UCs were furnished for the NSAP fund released during last year and the Ministry concerned has been addressed during May 2017 & June 2017 for release of fund during this year.
- The outlay is meant for Salary & Wages to the Anganwadi workers and the expenditure will be booked in a phased manner. Under Supplementary Nutrition, the Tender for supply of diet articles has been finalized and the available funds will be booked soon.
- Rs.18.15 lakhs received towards the scheme “Beti bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP)” in the last year was utilised fully for various awareness activities in Yanam region as prescribed by the GOI. Similar release of funds is anticipated in the current year also.

5. Summing up the discussion, Commissioner-cum-Secretary(Planning) underlined the fact that most of the Departments (with the exception of Education and Health Dept.) are yet to take concrete action for utilization of the funds released during the previous year which is showing up as opening balance in the current FY. The departments need to put in sincere efforts to enhance the pace of implementation of CSS, so that more funds could be drawn from the Central Ministries, after submission of necessary UCs and proposal. Secretary (Planning) urged the departments to finalize and submit the required proposals under various CS Schemes to the Ministries on priority basis and closely follow-up the same till the release of funds. The Administrative Secretaries are also requested to have a CSS review at their level and guide the departmental officials towards effective implementation of the Centrally Sponsored Schemes.

The meeting concluded with vote of thanks.

Annexure

List of participants attended the review meeting on CSS
held on 12.07.2017 in the Conference Hall, Chief Secretariat

1. Deputy Conservator of Forest, Forestry Department
2. Director, Agriculture
3. Director, Animal Husbandry
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9. Superintendent of Higher & Technical Education
10. Director, Fisheries
11. Director, Health & Family Welfare Services
12. Director, Industries
13. SAO, Labour
14. Deputy Director, Local Administration
15. Supdt. of Police (HQ)
16. Divisional Fire Officer, Fire Services
17. Chief Engineer, Public Works Department
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2. Secretary to Govt. (Health)
3. Secretary to Govt. (Personnel)
4. Secretary to Govt. (Public Works)
5. Secretary to Govt. (LAD)
6. Secretary to Govt. (Agriculture)
7. Secretary to Govt. (Industries)
8. District Collector, Puducherry
9. Secretary to Govt. (Law)
10. Special Secretary to Govt.-cum-Managing Director(PIPDIC)
11. PS to Chief Secretary
12. PA to Development Commissioner
13. PS to Director(Plg.)

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