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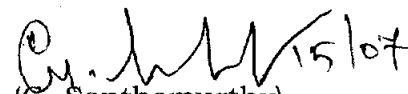
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Minutes of the meeting held on 13.07.2016 under the Chairmanship of Development Commissioner to review the progress of expenditure on Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSSs) is sent herewith for necessary follow-up action.


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Encl: As stated.

To

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3. All Head of Departments dealing with CSS

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING TO REVIEW THE PROGRESS OF EXPENDITURE ON CENTRALLY SPONSORED SCHEMES (CSS) HELD ON 13.07.2016 AT THE CONFERENCE HALL OF CHIEF SECRETARIAT.

A meeting to review the progress of expenditure on Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSSs) for the period of 1st Quarter ending June 2016 in the Vote on Account 2016-17 was held on 13.07.2016 under the Chairmanship of Development Commissioner in the Conference Hall of the Chief Secretariat. Development Commissioner-cum-Secretary (Finance), Secretary (Industries & Commerce), District Collector (Puducherry)-cum-Project Director(DRDA) and Head of Departments concerned attended the meeting. A list of Heads of Departments / representatives of HoDs who attended the meeting is annexed.

2. At the outset, Development Commissioner welcomed all the participants and stated that this review meeting is to reiterate the importance of implementation of CSS in the UT of Puducherry. Hon'ble LG and Hon'ble CM in a recent meeting observed that the funds under CSSs are not properly tapped and utilized by the implementing Departments. DC stated that around 70 CSSs including PM's new initiatives are being implemented in this U.T and the departments are not getting the fund as projected in the Budget which results in the reduction in CSS outlay and also affects the size of the overall plan in the RE stage. Further, DC pointed out that most of the departments have the tendency to request for more funds under Plan instead of utilizing the available fund under CSS programme which caused the gradual increase in the opening balance every year.

3. Development Commissioner further stated getting fund under CSS from GoI is a long drawn out procedure and therefore, dealing departments should take early action to utilize the fund and submit the necessary UCs in time so that more fund may be demanded from the Ministries concerned. DC informed that there will be a cut in Plan outlay for those departments who are not properly utilizing the CSS amount at the time of finalization of RE. DC also stated that monthly review will be held by DC, every two months by CS /CM and for every quarter Hon'ble LG will also take a review.

4. Then, the department-wise detailed review were taken up by the Development Commissioner through Power Point Presentation. The major points emerged during the course of review are as follows:-

AD Welfare

- The department is implementing 4 components under CSS viz., (i) Post-Matric Scholarship to SC Students (ii) Pre-Matric Scholarship to SC Students (iii) Implementation of PCR Act and (iv) Construction of SC Boys and Girls Hostel.
- Construction of Boys hostel at Keezhakasakudy, Karaikal has been completed.
- Proposal for disbursement of Pre and Post-Matric Scholarship will be submitted to the Ministry within this month.

Agriculture

- Proposal under National Food Security Mission was submitted last year itself, but fund was not released.
- The release from GoI will be effected only during the month of August 2016 towards the scheme National Horticultural Mission.
- The proposal to the tune of Rs.4.81 crore in implementation of ATMA project has been reduced by GoI to Rs.2.32 crore and accordingly the revised proposal has been sent recently.
- After the approval of SLSC, the fund available under RKVY will be spent fully. The proposal to the tune of Rs.19.00 crore has already been sent to GoI. DC advised to tap more fund under RKVY since the Ministry is very generous in funding this being a flagship scheme.
- Sanction has been issued to utilize the available fund of Rs.2.02 crore under Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana scheme and the same has to be given to PWD to start the works.

Animal Husbandry

- Proposal to a tune of Rs.1.90 crore was sent in the month of April to the Ministry and sanction for Rs.34.00 lakhs has been communicated of which Rs.14.00 lakhs has been received so far. After submitting UC, remaining fund will be released.
- Rs.53.65 lakhs is available as of now which includes Rs.25.00 lakhs of current year release under National Livestock Management Programme. E-Tender Floated and Supply has been issued.

School Education

- As against the proposal of Rs.33.31 crore sent to GoI, approval for 3 schemes viz., SSA, RMSA and Support of Educational Dev. including Teacher Training has been received towards the proposed amount of Rs.9.75 crore, Rs.3.45 crore and Rs.2.45 crore respectively.
- Release from GoI is awaited for the schemes Sports Stadium at Lawspet(Rs.2.25 crore), National Service Scheme (Rs.80 lakhs) and Panchayat Yuva Krida Aur Khel Abhiyan (Rs.1.24 crore).
- Under Information Communication Technology at Schools scheme, GoI has approved the proposal to a tune of Rs.2.81 crore for the current financial year subject to the condition that the fund for the scheme should be met out from the State fund on reimbursement basis.
- Due to delay in finalization of rate approval, the amount Mid-day Meals Scheme was not fully utilized last year and it will be finalized very soon and the fund available under the scheme will be spent without any further delay.
- Non availability of qualified teacher (TET qualified Teachers) and due to variation of rate between GoI and PWD, Puducherry, the entire fund could not be spent during the last year and hence such opening balance.

Forestry

- Sanction to a tune of Rs.83.00 lakhs has already issued for Conservation of Natural Resources and Ecosystems. The 1st installment of Rs.41.50 lakhs is expected soon and will be booked.
- Under Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats, proposal for Rs.93.00 lakhs was submitted to GoI and release of funds awaited.
- Clarification sought for 100% pattern of assistance and the proposal will be sent to GoI on receipt of the same.

Health

- Rs.47 crore value of proposal sent to GoI for the current financial year. So far Rs.26.00 crore received and of which Rs.12.00 crore was spent.
- The fund available under Human Resource in Health and Medical Education scheme meant for construction of ANM and GNM schools at Mahe. No demand is found such education in Mahe, it could not be

spent. It is suggested to explore the possibility to change the place of construction of building. Such programme can be transferred to Karaikal so as to accommodate Mother Theresa Nursing Institute at Karaikal which is presently domiciled in a government hospital building.

- As against the outlay of Rs.321.17 lakhs, Rs.170.26 lakhs released so far, out of which Rs.87.96 lakhs was spent as on date. AIDS Control Society was informed by the GoI that the release will be made through Direct Credit to them.

ISM

- As against the proposal of Rs.1.00 crore, the GoI has communicated the sanction value of Rs.1.70 crore.

Information Technology

- As no fund is released last year under CSS, GoI committed to release Rs.20.00 crore this year to implement the programmes viz., (i) SDC (ii) e-District (iii) Common Service Centre and (iv) P-Swan.
- DC advised Director(IT) to follow-up the matter with the Ministry concerned and D.O. Letter from Hon'ble Chief Minister may be addressed if necessary.

Industries & Commerce

- Proposal to a tune of Rs.1.97 crore has already been submitted to the Ministry for implementation of the scheme "National Mission on Food Processing". Utilization Certificate for the last year expenditure has also submitted to the GoI. Around Rs.1.00 crore is expected during the current financial year for which the 1st installment is expected in the month of August 2016.

Labour

- Supply order to a tune of Rs.35.00 lakhs was issued to procure machineries towards the Modernization of ITI, TR Pattinam, Karaikal.
- Modernization of Employment Exchange (Rs.14.99 lakhs) has been proposed.
- In order to modernize the ITI, Mettupalayam a comprehensive proposal to a tune of Rs.5.00 crore was sent to GoI.

Police

- Rs.2.00 crore reflected under opening balance is meant for purchase of equipments to Fire Service for which the fund was released only at the fag end of the last financial year.
- Safe City Project is in the final stage and is awaiting approval of Competent Authority in GoI.
- The fund for PCR Cell received by AD Welfare has been transferred to Police and the fund is mostly meant for Salary component which will be incurred without any problem.

Public Works

- Under NRDWP, the expenditure will be booked within this year.
- Besides the opening balance of Rs.6.00 crore for Development of Infrastructure facilities to Judiciary, Rs.25.00 crore has been recently received which made the available balance of Rs.30.76 crore even after the booking of expenditure Rs.14.82 lakhs upto June 2016. As of now, the project value of Rs.14.50 crore is only on hand which includes Rs.3.00 crore for Phase-II of court complex, Rs.3.00 crore rehabilitation work at Judiciary complex and Rs.7.50 crore for construction of Court Complex at Karaikal.
- The cost of Annual Maintenance and other Minor works in Court Building are also met from CSS fund.

Statistics

- Agriculture Survey will be convened during this month and Rs.19.00 lakhs will be booked.

Social Welfare

- Rs.8.00 crore value of proposal sent to GoI under ICPS which mainly meant for disbursement of GIA to Voluntary Organizations.
- Under NSAP, proposal of Rs.52.00 lakhs has been sent to GoI and as on date release yet to be made. DC advised HoD to follow-up the matter in person at the Ministry concerned to ensure early release.
- Director(SW) stated that the additional requirement of Rs. 8.40 crore is essential for this year to meet the expenditure in connection with purchase of cycles (Rs. 2.70 crore), distribution of pension to disabled persons (Rs. 2.70 crore), supply of rice for disabled persons (Rs. 3.00

crore). The requirement of extra amount of Rs.4.70 crore towards these components have been taken note for necessary action.

Welfare of Backward Classes and Minorities

- Rs.1.00 crore is the minimum requirement to implement the scheme “Multi Sectoral Development Programme for Minorities”. No fund is received under the scheme so far.

Women & Child Development

- Rs.19.00 crore was proposed for implementation of ICDS during the current financial year. As the outlay is meant for Salary and Nutrition programme, the entire amount will be utilized without any problem.
- The object of the new scheme “Beti Bachao Beti Padhao” is to create awareness among the girl child and action has been already initiated to implement at Yanam region.

Survey

- As the “National Land Record Management Programme (NLRMP)” is going to be over in this financial year and expedite the expenditure booking within 2017.

Tourism

- Rs.1.50 crore work orders issued to PWD and fund will be utilized by December 2016 itself. Additional fund is proposed to be demanded from GoI after utilizing the available money. DC advised to send the additional requirement proposal immediately so as to get the fund within this financial year itself.

Town & Country Planning

- After the implication of 100% assistance to all CSS implemented in UTs, U.T of Puducherry is now eligible to get upto Rs.120 crore which also includes Rs.16.50 crore towards the Smart City project. TCPD has been advised to vigorously follow up with MoUD for release of this amount.

Art & Culture

- As against the release of Rs.1.00 crore for Development of Museum, Rs.16.00 lakhs was incurred during the last financial year and out of the

available balance Rs.84.00 lakhs, Rs.55 lakhs meant for Consultation fee to be released in 5 instalments and the remaining Rs.45 lakhs is for Project Management.

Civil Supplies

- Regarding the implementation of “End to End Computerization of Targeted Public Distribution System” scheme, work is in progress and after the completion; the payment will be made to the agency concerned.

Fisheries

- Rs.82.31 lakhs was booked under Savings-cum-Relief for Marine Fishermen scheme. Since 2014-15, no fund is released under the scheme for the last two years. Director(Fisheries) stated that in a recent meeting held in New Delhi, it was assured by GoI that a tune of Rs.1.00 crore will be released soon.
- As against the project cost of Rs.18.85 crore towards Establishment of fishing harbor at Yanam, Rs.13.96 crore has released already and the remaining Rs.4.89 crore is yet to be released. A revised proposal of Rs.33.00 crore due to escalation of cost by time factor was submitted to GoI already.
- In January 2016, the writ petition was withdrawn and the work will be started soon in Mahe for Establishment of Fishing Harbor.
- It is suggested that the unutilized balance available in 2 CSSs for a long period, under fisheries department may be sent back to the Ministry concerned as the schemes are not in operation now.

Summary:

Summing up the deliberations, all the departments have been directed to take the following action:

1. The departments should constantly follow up with the Central Ministries to ensure the early release and utilization of CSS funds, as indicated in the Budget.
2. The departments which have not submitted the CSS proposals for 2016-17 have to expedite the same and liaise with GoI for early release of fund.

3. Departments having opening balance and / or departments which received first installment for this year need to utilize the funds before 2nd Quarter, so that further funds can be obtained.
4. DRDA / Rural Development Department needs to follow up with MoRD for release of funds under MGNREGA, NRLM, and Swachh Bharat (Grameen), after utilizing the existing funds.

The next review will be taken by Chief Secretary / Hon'ble Chief Minister / Hon'ble Lt. Governor in the first Week of August 2016

The meeting came to an end with vote of thanks.

Annexure

List of participants who have attended the review meeting on CSS held on 13.07.2016 in the Conference Hall, Chief Secretariat

1. Director, Agriculture
2. Director, Animal Husbandry
3. Deputy Director, Adi-Dravidar Welfare
4. Junior Accounts Officer, Art & Culture
5. Project Director, Sarva Shiksha Abhyan
6. Director, Civil Supplies
7. Supdt. Engineer-I, Electricity
8. Director, Fisheries
9. Agriculture Officer, Forestry
10. Director, Health & Family Welfare Services
11. Director, Information Technology
12. Deputy Director, Industries
13. Deputy Commissioner, Labour
14. Deputy Director, Local Administration
15. Supdt. of Police (HQ)
16. Divisional Fire Officer, Fire Services
17. Director, Fisheries
18. SAO, Public Works Department
19. Joint Director, Economics & Statistics
20. Director, Social Welfare
21. Director, Women & Child Development
22. Director, Survey & Land Records
23. Director, Science & Technology
24. Director, Tourism
25. Chief Town Planner, Town & Country Planning
26. Under Secretary (Finance - I & II)
27. Budget Officer
28. Dy. Director(Ways & Means)