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Government of India
Ministry of Rural Development
Department of Rural Development
(Rural Connectivity Division)

Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi,
Dated: 28th March, 2024

To,

**The Pay & Accounts Officer,
Ministry of Rural Development,
Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi-110001**

Subject: Release of Grants-in-aid to State Government of Himachal Pradesh towards 1st Tranche of 2nd installment of Programme Fund for the year 2023-24 – reg.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India to the payment of Grants-in-aid amounting to **Rs. 183,50,00,000/- (Rupees One Hundred Eighty Three Crore and Fifty Lakh only)** to the State Government of Himachal Pradesh as 1st Tranche of 2nd installment of Central assistance under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) during the Financial Year 2023-24.

2. The amount of **Rs. 183.50 crore** is adjusted towards balance payment of programme fund under Regular PMGSY as per the details given below:

(Amount in crore)

Phase	Dated of Clearance	MoRD Share	State Share	Fund released till date	Present Funds released	State share to be released against the present Central share	Balance (col 3-5-6)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
Clearance under PMGSY-II, Batch-I, 2019-20	13.12.2019	867.81	96.44	685*	180.00	20.00	2.81
PMGSY-III, Batch-I, 2022-23 under PMGSY-III dt 26.7.2022	26.7.2022	378.74	43.39	293.50@	3.50	0.40	81.74
Total					183.50	20.40	

* Rs 171.25 crore was released on 26th November, 2021, Rs 146.75 crore was released on 21st February, 2023, Rs 183.50 crore was released on 30th June, 2023 and Rs 183.50 crore was released on 2nd November, 2023.

@Rs 146.75 crore was released on 30th September, 2022 and Rs 146.75 crore was released on 28th December, 2022.

3. The State Government shall transfer these funds along with the corresponding State share to Himachal Pradesh Gram Sadak Development Agency (HPGSDA) within a maximum period of 30 days from the date of receipt of these funds. In case of delay beyond 30 days in transfer of Central Share to the SNA account, interest will be charged at the rate of 7% per annum. The State Government is required to endorse a copy of the release order to the Government of India at the following address:

**Shri Devinder Kumar, Director (Rural Connectivity), Ministry of Rural Development,
Room No.464 Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi - 110001.**

4. Himachal Pradesh Gram Sadak Development Agency (HPGSDA) has nominated **Shri Ajay Gupta**, Engineer-in-Chief, Public Works Department, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla as the Empowered Officer.

5. The funds transferred by the State Government to HPGSDA shall be kept in a separate **Saving Bank Account No. 3383000100123798 in Punjab National Bank, Near Comberemere Hotel, Shimla (Branch Code No.010211406 IFC Code No. PUNB0338300)**. It shall be ensured by Himachal Pradesh Gram Sadak Development Agency (HPGSDA) that the Programme Implementation Units (PIUs) in the districts have ready access to the funds and the funds held in the specified account are allowed to be utilised only by the Executing Agency/Agencies only for the purpose of approved works under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana. The Empowered Officer of the Himachal Pradesh Gram Sadak Development Agency (HPGSDA) shall communicate to the Bank, the names of the Authorised Signatories, who will be issuing cheques on the Agency's Bank account for the purpose of this sanction.

6. The Empowered Officer shall issue standing instructions to the Bank regarding the names of Authorized Payees and their designated account details and the amounts admissible to each payee. He will also specify limits on monthly payments as per the agreed work programme for the respective package.

7. No Utilization Certificate is pending from Himachal Pradesh Gram Sadak Development Agency (HPGSDA).

8. The Utilization Certificate should be submitted within 12 (Twelve) months of the closure of Financial Year which shall include interest accrued. Interest accrued should be computed based on the details of the Ledger Account maintained for the purpose.

9. The State Nodal Agency shall ensure that the interest earned from the funds released should be mandatorily remitted to the respective Consolidated Funds on pro-rata basis in term of Rule 230(8) of GFR, 2017. Interest earned should be clearly and separately depicted in PFMS, scheme- specific portals integrated with PFMS and in MIS provided by the banks.

10. The State Government shall ensure the integration of the state treasury with PFMS and all the entries should be reflected on PFMS.

11. The State Nodal Agency shall ensure that sufficient budget provisions are made in the state budget before the request of further funds release.

12. The accounts of the grantee institutions will be audited by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India and the Internal Audit of the Principal Accounts Office of the Ministry in terms of **Rule 236(1)** of the General Financial Rules.

13. The expenditure is debit to the following Head of Accounts under **Demand No. 87** Department of Rural Development (2023-24):

3601	-	Grants-in-aid to State Governments (Major Head).
06	-	Centrally Sponsored Schemes
101	-	Central Assistance/Share
30	-	Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana
30.01	-	Programme Component- PMGSY
30.01.35	-	Grants for creation of Capital assets

14. The Assistant Director, PMGSY, Ministry of Rural Development, New Delhi (208139) will be the Drawing & Disbursing Officer for the purpose. The amount mentioned in Para-1 above will be transferred to **State Government of Himachal Pradesh**.

15. This issues under the powers delegated to this Ministry and in consultation with the Integrated Finance Division vide their **U.O. No. 1343 /Finance/2023-24 dated 22.03.2024**.

Yours faithfully,



(Devinder Kumar)
Director (RC)

Copy to: -

1. The Principal Secretary, PWD, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Nirman Bhawan, Shimla-171002.
2. Engineer-in Chief & Empowered Officer, Himachal Pradesh Gram Sadak Development Agency, Himachal Pradesh, PWD, Nirman Bhawan, Nigam Vihar, Shimla-17002, HP.
3. The Manager, Punjab National Bank, Near Comberemere Hotel, Shimla-171001.
4. Accountant General, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171003.
5. The Director of Audit, Economic and Service Ministries, AGCR Building, I.P. Estate, New Delhi-110002.
6. The Principal Director General, Media & Communication, Press Information Bureau, Room No. 101, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.
7. Chief Controller of Accounts, Ministry of Rural Development.
8. Finance Division-I.
9. All Directors NRIDA.



(Devinder Kumar)
Director (RC)