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

> Krishi Bhawan, New Delh-110001 Dated the 23rd February, 2024

To.

The Pay & Accounts Officer, Government of India, Ministry of Rural Development, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.

Subject –Release of 2nd tranche of 1st installment of Administrative Fund to State Government of Sikkim under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) for the year 2023-24.

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India to the payment of Grants-in-aid amounting to Rs. 84,37,500/- (Rupees Eighty Four Lakh Thirty Seven Thousand and Five Hundred only) as 2nd tranche of 1st installment towards Administrative Fund to the State Government of Sikkim as Central assistance under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) for the Financial Year 2023-24.

2. The funds will be released to the State Government as per the Bank details given below:-

Holder	the Bank	Master Account No. for transfer of funds	IFSC Code
1	Central Bank of India, Paljor Stadium Road, Gangtok, Sikkim	1236133785	CBIN 0282310

3. The State Government shall transfer these funds along corresponding State Share to Sikkim Rural Roads Development Agency (SRRDA) within 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. In case of non-transfer beyond this period, Central Government may be constrained to stop further releases. 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 (RC), Ministry of Rural Development, Room No. 464, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi, 110001

- 4. Sikkim Rural Roads Development Agency (SRRDA) has nominated **Shri Sanjiv Rai, Principal Chief Engineer,** Rural Development Department, as the Empowered Officer of SRRDA.
- 5. The funds released by the State Government shall be kept in a separate Savings Bank Account No. 11018614444 (IFS Code SBIN0000232), State Bank of India, Gangtok Branch, M.G. Road, Sikkim-737101. It shall be ensured by the Sikkim Rural Roads Development Agency (SRRDA) that the Programme Implementing Units (PIUs) in the districts have access to the funds and the funds held in the specified account are allowed to be utilized only by the Executing Agency/Agencies for the purpose of approved works under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana. The Empowered Officer of the Sikkim State Road Board (ASRB) shall communicate to the bank the names of the Authorized Signatories, who will be issuing cheques on the Board's said 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 the Sikkim Rural Roads Development Agency (SRRDA).
- 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 O/o the CCA, Ministry of Rural Development in terms of **Rule 236 (1)** of the General Financial Rules.
- 13. The expenditure is debitable to the following Head of Accounts under **Demand No. 87** Department of Rural Development (2023-24):

3601	-	Grants-in-aid to State Government (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

- 13. 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 Sikkim.
- 14. This issues under the powers delegated to this Ministry and in consultation with the Integrated Finance Division vide their U.O.No.1106/Finance/2023-24 dated 23.02.2024.

Yours faithfully,

(K. M. Singh) Director (RC)

Copy to:-

- 1. The Chief Secretary, Government of Sikkim, Gangtok 737101
- 2. The Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Rural Development Department, Government of Sikkim, Gramin Prabhandhak Vikas Bhawan, Gangtok, Sikkim 737103
- 3. The Principal Chief Engineer-cum-Empowered Officer, Rural Development Department, Government of Sikkim, Gangtok, Sikkim 737103
- 4. The Accountant General, Sikkim, NH-31A, Deorali Bazar, Gangtok, Sikkim 737102
- 5. The Manager, State Bank of India, M.G. Road, Gangtok, Sikkim 737101
- 6. The Chief Controller of Accounts, Ministry of Rural Development
- 7. The Principal Director General, Media & Communication, Press information Bureau, Room No 101, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001
- 8. The Director of Audit, Economic & Service Ministries, I.P. Estate, AGCR Building, New Delhi-110002
- 9. Finance Division-I/Guard File/Sanction Folder
- 10. All Directors, NRIDA, New Delhi-110066

Director (RC)