

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

Krishi Bhawan, New Delh-110001

Dated the 26th March, 2024

To,

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

Subject: Release of 1st tranche of 2nd installment of Admin fund to the State of West Bengal under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) for the financial 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. 2,13,75,000/- (Rupees Two Crore Thirteen Lakh Seventy Five Thousand only)** to the State Government of West Bengal as 1st tranche of 2nd installment of Central Assistance towards Administrative Fund under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) for the **Financial Year 2023-24**.

2. **The State Government shall transfer these funds along with the corresponding State share to West Bengal State Rural Road Development Agency (WBSRDA) 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.***

3. The West Bengal State Rural Road Development Agency (WBSRDA) has nominated **Shri Sekhar Sen, Additional Secretary & Additional Chief Executive Officer as the Empowered Officer** of WBSRDA.

4. The funds released by the State Government shall be kept in a separate savings **Bank Account No. 11143673802 (IFSC Code No. SBIN0014524 & Branch Code No.14524), State Bank of India, Specialised Institutional Banking Branch, Samriddhi Bhawan, 4th Floor, 1, Strand Road, Kolkata-700001** Implementing Agencies (IAs) down the ladder should use the SNA's account with clearly defined drawing limits set for that account. It shall be ensured by the State Government 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 utilized only by the Executing Agency/Agencies only for the purpose of approved works under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana as per the limit assigned. The Empowered Officer of the **West Bengal State Rural Road Development Agency (WBSRDA)** 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.

5. 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.
6. No Utilization Certificate is pending from **West Bengal State Rural Road Development Agency (WBSRDA)**
7. 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.
8. 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.
9. The State Government shall ensure the integration of the state treasury with PFMS and all the entries should be reflected on PFMS.
10. The State Nodal Agency shall ensure that sufficient budget provisions are made in the state budget before the request of further funds release.
11. The Accounts of the grantee institution will be audited by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India and the internal Audit of the O/o the CCA of the Ministry of Rural Development in terms of **Rule 236 (1)** of the General Financial Rules.
12. The expenditure is debitabale 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

13. The **Assistant Director, PMGSY, Ministry of Rural Development (208139)** will be the Drawing and Disbursing Officer for this purpose. The amount mentioned in Para-1 above will be transferred to **State Government of West Bengal**.
14. This issues under the powers delegated to this Ministry and in consultation with the Integrated Finance Division vide their **U.O. No. 1375/Finance/2023-24 dated 26.03.2024**.

Yours faithfully,



(Devinder Kumar)

Director (RC)

Tel.011-23070129

Copy to:-

- (i) The Chief Secretary to the Government of West Bengal.
- (ii) Shri Sekhar Sen, Additional Secretary & Additional Chief Executive Officer, West Bengal State Rural Road Development Agency (WBSRDA).
- (iii) The Manager, State Bank of India, Kolkata Main Branch, Strand Road, Kolkata – 700001.
- (iv) Accountant General, West Bengal, Kolkata.
- (v) The Principal Director General, Media & Communication, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
- (vi) Chief Controller of Accounts, Ministry of Rural Development.
- (vii) The Director of Audit, Economic & Service Ministries, I.P. Estate, AGCR Building, New Delhi-110002.
- (viii) All Directors, NRIDA.
- (ix) Finance Division-I/Guard File/Sanction Register.



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