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

Krishi Bhawan, New Delh-110001 Dated the 28th March, 2024

To

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

Sub: Release of Financial Incentive under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) to the State of Tamil Nadu for the year 2023-24.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President to the payment of Grants-in-aid amounting to Rs. 48,27,00,000/- (Rupees forty eight crore and twenty seven lakh only) to the State of Tamil Nadu for "Financial Incentive" as Central assistance under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) for the Financial Year 2023-24.

- 2. These funds are exclusively meant for periodic maintenance of roads already constructed under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana.
- 3. The State Government must transfer these funds alongwith the corresponding State share of Rs. 32.18 crore to Tamil Nadu Rural Housing and Infrastructure Development Corporation (TNRHIDC) within a maximum period of 30 days respectively 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 Pawan Kumar, Director (RC), Ministry of Rural Development, Room No.372 Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi, 110001. Tel. No. 011-23382406

- 4. Tamil Nadu Rural Housing and Infrastructure Development Corporation (TNRHIDC) has nominated Shri P. Ponniah, Director, Directorate of Rural Development & Panchayat Raj Department, Panagal Building, Saidapet, Government of Tamil Nadu as the Empowered Officer.
- 5. The funds released by the State Government shall be kept in a separate Savings Bank Account No.10885934245 (IFSC Branch Code No.SBIN0013241), State Bank of India, Small and Medium Enterprises (SME) Branch Chennai, 39, 6th Floor, Prasanth Gold Towers, T Nagar, Chennai-600017 Tamil Nadu. 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 Govt. 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 for the purpose of approved works under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana as per the limits assigned. The Empowered Officer of Tamil Nadu Rural Housing and Infrastructure Development Corporation (TNRHIDC) shall communicate to the bank the names of the Authorized Signatories, who will be issuing cheques on the Agency'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 Tamil Nadu Rural Housing and Infrastructure Development Corporation (TNRHIDC).

- 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.
- 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 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 - 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 will be the Drawing & Disbursing Officer for the purpose. The amount mentioned in Para-1 above will be transferred to **State Government of Tamil Nadu.**
- 14. Secretariat of the Election Commission of India, New Delhi has stated that release of financial incentives under PMGSY would be subject to following condition:-
- (i). There shall be no publicity in this regard in electronic, print, radio, internet or any other media, in any form whatsoever,
- No political functionary shall make any reference in this regard during any public speech or communication to the press or public.
- (iii). These restrictions on publicity will be applicable to the Central Government as well as the State Governments concerned.
- (iv). The relevant provisions of Model Code of Conduct issued by the Commission shall be strictly followed.
- (v). No new work shall be taken up afresh during MCC period.
- 15. This issues under the powers delegated to this Ministry and in consultation with the Integrated Finance Division vide their **U.O. No. 1425/Finance/2023-24 dated 28.03.2024.**

Yours faithfully,

((Devinder Kumar) Director (RC) Tel. No.011- 23070129

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Copy to:-

- 1. The Chief Secretary, Government of Tamil Nadu, Secretariat, Chennai-600009.
- 2. The Principal Secretary, Rural Development & Panchayat Raj Department, Government of Tamil Nadu, Secretariat, Chennai-600009.
- 3. The Accountant General, Tamil Nadu, Chennai- 600018
- 4. The Empowered Officer, Tamil Nadu Rural Housing and Infrastructure Development Corporation (TNRHIDC), Government of Tamil Nadu, Panagal Building, Saidapet, Chennai-600015.

- 5. The Manager, State Bank of India, Small and Medium Enterprises (SME) Branch, No.84, Rajaji Salai, Chennai-600001.
- 6. The Principal Director General, Media & Communication, Press Information Bureau, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 7. The Chief Controller of Accounts, Ministry of Rural Development.
- 8. The Director of Audit, Economic & Service Ministries, I.P. Estate, AGCR Building, New Delhi-110001.
- 9. Finance Division-I/Guard File/Sanction Register.

10. All Directors of NRRDA, New Delhi.

((Devinder Kumar)

Director (RC)