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

Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi
Dated the 22nd May, 2009

To

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

Subject: Release of first instalment in respect of Special Project under SGSY for employment creation through training and skill development to rural youth including women, in demand driven employability sector from BPL families in MP, Rajasthan and Orissa by FIWE.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the approval of the President of India for sanction of a Special Project under Swarnjayanti Gram Swarojgar Yojana (SGSY) for for employment creation through training and skill development to rural youth including women, in demand driven employability sector from BPL families in MP, Rajasthan and Orissa by FIWE. The total cost of the project is Rs. 829.40 lakh, which would be shared between the Centre and Implementing Agency in the ratio of 75:25. The Centre share is Rs. 622.05 lakh and Implementing Agency share is Rs. 207.35 lakh.

2. The project is to be implemented by Federation of Indian Women Entrepreneurs (FIWE) and National Institute of Rural Development, Hyderabad will be the, coordinating, monitoring and fund routing agency.

3. The expected outcome/benefits from the project are as follows:

- 10,000 beneficiaries from rural BPL youth in Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Orissa will be covered under the project for being imparted training leading to their placement.

4. The details of break up of the approved cost, phasing of activities and the targets set up for implementation are given in Annexure-1. The approval is subject to the following conditions:

- i) The Implementing Agency/ will have to ensure that out of the total beneficiaries covered, a minimum of 50% will be from SC/ST and 15% from minority categories. Coverage of women has to be ensured to the maximum extent possible.
- ii) Beneficiary selection has to be done in consultation with the concerned State Government/ DRDAs through appropriate awareness and publicity campaigns and advertisements in local electronic/print media. Production of BPL cards, SC/ST certificates etc. by candidates duly verified by the Panchayat functionary may be treated as sufficient for candidate selection by PIA/DRDA. 100% rural BPL beneficiaries will be covered in the project and provided placement, which in no case will be less than 75% of beneficiaries trained. Release of funds after 1st installment will be based on achievement of placement corresponding to financial targets and expenditure.
- iii) The implementing agency will furnish a certificate to the effect that the beneficiaries trained and / or placed have not been assisted under any other Government programmes for similar skill development/training.
- iv) A Web based monitoring system is to be established and a web site for this project with details regarding beneficiaries, training, placements etc. will have to be maintained by the PIA and beneficiaries tracked at least for one year.
- v) The training/skill development programmes will be fully residential. The training cost will also include provision for boarding & lodging expenses for beneficiaries which will be provided to all candidates as well as for market scan and beneficiary mobilisation.

- vi) All beneficiaries trained under the project will be certified by a third party/ sector specific institution on completion of their training
- vii) A bipartite MOU involving NIRD and FIWE will be entered into before disbursement of fund to the implementing agency by NIRD.
- viii) The project will be implemented on pilot basis to cover 10,000 beneficiaries.
- ix) All assets /infrastructure created under the project with Government funding have to be disposed off at the end of the project period either through auction or purchased by the implementing /coordinating agency at depreciated value and realization refunded to the Government.

5. The Central Government share of funds would be released as grant-in-aid in three installments in the ratio of 25:50:25.

6. I am also directed to convey the sanction of the President of India for release of Rs. 1,55,51,000/- (Rupees one crore fifty five lakh and fifty one thousand only) as grant-in-aid towards first installment of Central share of funds for the project to Registrar, NIRD, 5, Rajendra Nagar, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh. NIRD, Hyderabad, the Coordinating Agency will release funds to the Implementing Agency only after written commitment is obtained from the Implementing Agency of acceptance of the conditions at para 4 (i) to (ix) above and signing of the MOU with the Implementing Agency.

7. The funds released for the project should be maintained in a separate bank account. No fund would be kept in fixed deposit. The interest accrued on the amount deposited in the bank would be used only for the project.

8. The grants-in-aid shall be utilized for the purpose for which it has been sanctioned and shall not be diverted for any other purpose.

9. The project period would be three years from the date of sanction of the project.

10. Documentation should be an inherent part of the project along with the video recording giving the status of area/beneficiaries before and after the project. It should cover the details of deliverables as indicated in the project and achievements made against these deliverables.

11. No cost escalation will be permitted for the project. Escalation, if any, would be borne by the Implementing Agency.

12. Monitoring and Evaluation of the project will be done as per stipulation in the bipartite MOU to be entered into between National Institute of Rural Development (NIRD) and Project Implementing Agency.


13. The Implementing Agency/Coordinating Agency shall submit the physical & financial progress report of the project by 15th of the month succeeding every quarter in the monitor format enclosed at Annexure-II. Failure to furnish the progress report would make the implementing/coordinating agency liable to refund the Central funds.

14. Second installment of funds for the project will be released subject to the following conditions:

- (a) Utilisation of at least 60% of the 1st instalment and achievement of corresponding physical target;
- (b) Submission of year-wise utilization certificates for at least 60% of the total available funds released to the coordinating agency;
- (c) Submission of year-wise audit reports of the funds utilized;
- (d) Regular reporting of progress in the prescribed format and against the approved expenditure phasing;
- (e) A certificate from the Implementing/Coordinating Agency that the project is being implemented as per the approved project proposal.

15. Third and final installment of funds would be released subject to the following conditions:
- Utiisation of at least 90% of available funds and achievement of corresponding physical targets;
 - Submission of year-wise utilisation certificates for at least 90% of the total available funds released to the coordinating agency;
 - Submission of year-wise audit reports of the funds utilized;
 - Regular reporting of the progress in prescribed format;
 - A certificate from the Implementing/Coordinating Agency that the project is being implemented as per the approved project proposal.
16. The release of funds is subject to Internal Audit of the Ministry of Rural Development from time to time, and on completion of the project, to ascertain achievement of project objectives and outcomes.
17. It shall be open to this Ministry to prescribe such other conditions, as it deems fit, from time to time to ensure proper execution of the project.
18. The expenditure is debited to:
Demand No. 80 – Department of Rural Development,
Major Head – 2501 – Special Programme for Rural Development,
Sub-Major Head – 06 – Self-employment Programme
Minor Head – 06.101 Swaranjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY)
12-Assistance to District Rural Development Agencies and others,
12.00.31 – Grants-in-aid (2009-2010 - Plan)
19. The Pay and Accounts Officer (RD) will be the Drawing and Disbursing Officer for this purpose. The amount mentioned in para 6 above will be sent to the Registrar, NIRD, Hyderabad through Telegraphic Transfer/Demand Draft.
20. It is certified that no utilization certificate is outstanding from the recipient organization under SGSY (Special Projects).
21. "The accounts of the grantee institution or organization shall be open to inspection by Internal Audit of the Principal Accounts Office functioning under Chief Controller of Accounts, in terms of Rule 211 (1) of GFR 2005".
22. This issues under the delegated powers of this Ministry and with the concurrence of its Integrated Finance Division vide their U.O. Dy. No. 76 /Fin.II/09 dated 20/5/2009.

Yours faithfully,


(Amarjit Banga)
Director (SGSY)

Copy to:

- Secretary, Rural Development Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal.
- Secretary, Rural Development Department, Government of Rajasthan, Jaipur.
- Secretary, Rural Development Department, Government of Orissa, Bhubneshwer.
- Director General, NIRD, 5, Rajendera Nagar, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh.
- The Accountant General, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal
- The Accountant General, Government of Rajasthan, Jaipur.
- The Accountant General, Government of Orissa, Bhubneshwer.
- The Director of Audit Economic & Services Ministries of AGCR Building, IP Estate, N.D.
- President, Federation of Indian Women Entrepreneurs, 1A lower Ground Floor, Hauz Khas, N.D – 16.
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