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

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Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi 25

Date: 24.2.2025

To

The Senior Accounts Officer,  
Principal Accounts Office,  
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Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.

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कृषि भवन, नई दिल्ली / Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi

Subject—Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (Mahatma Gandhi NREGA)-  
Administrative Sanction for incurring expenditure as Central Assistance as 2<sup>nd</sup> instalment of 1<sup>st</sup>  
tranche **towards Material Component** during the financial year 2024-25 to the UT of Andaman  
& Nicobar Islands.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India to the payment of Grants-in-aid amounting to **Rs.66,37,500/- (Rupees Sixty Six Lakh Thirty Seven Thousand and Five Hundred Only)** to the UT of Andaman & Nicobar Islands as Central assistance for payment of Material components for implementation of the Mahatma Gandhi NREGA for the financial year 2024-25.

2. The Principal Accounts Office, Ministry of Rural Development is requested to issue a Letter of Authority (LoA) in favour of Pay & Accounts Officer, Chief Pay & Accounts Office, Andaman & Nicobar Administration, Port Blair-744101, (**Authorized PAO Code-071383 PAO (Andaman & Nicobar Island Admin and DDO Code-201125- Account Officer)**) to book an expenditure of **Rs.66,37,500/- (Rupees Sixty Six Lakh Thirty Seven Thousand and Five Hundred Only)** under the following Head of Account under Demand No. 87 Department of Rural Development (2024-25).

2505	Rural Employment (Major Head)
02	Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (Sub Major Head)
02.101	National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (Minor Head)
15	Expenditure in Union Territories without Legislature
15.00.35	Grants for creation of Capital Assets (Plan)

3. The pending liabilities must be cleared keeping in view the period of pendency. The old pending liabilities should be cleared first. The status of clearance of old pending liabilities will be reviewed by the Ministry from time to time.

4. Further the following conditions shall be fulfilled in utilisation of these funds:

- Adherence to the time line indicated in the LB minutes of FY 2024-25 against various key activates.
- In all Electronic Fund Management system (eFMS) 'implemented' areas, the funds shall be maintained at the State level; and there shall be no intermediary accounts. All payments in these areas shall move directly from the State fund to the destination accounts based on the pay order generated at the Block/Gram Panchayat level.
- Where eFMS is not yet implemented, steps shall be taken to implement the same at the earliest.
- The detailed voucher-based data shall be available in the NREGASoft for all the expenditure done.
- The material component including wages of skilled and semi-skilled labour shall not exceed 40% at the district level.
- This grant is towards plan expenditure and shall be utilized for approved items of works subject to the conditions laid down in the Mahatma Gandhi NREGA Guidelines. No deviation from the provisions of the Guidelines is permissible.

- g) The expenditure of material component including wages of skilled and semi-skilled labour will be shared between central and State Government in the ratio of 75:25.
- h) 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 ledger account maintained for the purpose.
5. No Utilization Certificate is pending against the Recipient Organization under the Scheme.
6. 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, 2017.
7. DDO, Mahatma Gandhi NREGA, New Delhi (207172) will be the Drawing & Disbursing Officer for the purpose.
8. Further fund would be released on compliance of all conditionalities prescribed at the time of previous releases and submission of compliance on minutes of the Labour Budget meeting for FY 2024-25 at the earliest within the stipulated time.
9. Secretary (RD/Panchayat)/Commissioner may ensure the distribution of funds to all 3 districts.
10. This issues under the powers delegated to this Ministry and in consultation with the Integrated Finance Division vide their **UO No. 1120/Finance/2024-25 Dated 21.02.2025**.

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Yours faithfully,

*Aditi Singh 24.2.25*  
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Director (Mahatma Gandhi NREGA)

**Copy to:**

1. The Pay & Account Officer, Chief Pay & Accounts Office, Andaman & Nicobar Administration, Port Blair -744101.
2. The Secretary, Finance Department, Andaman & Nicobar Administration, Port Blair.
3. The Secretary, (RD, PRLs & ULBs) Zilla Niwas Complex, VIP Road, opp. RRB School, Andaman & Nicobar Administration, Port Blair-744101.

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