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

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated 28.01.2025

To

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

Subject– Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (Mahatma Gandhi NREGA) – payment of 2nd instalment of 2nd tranche of Central Assistance for financial year 2024-25 towards administrative component to the State Government of Punjab.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India to the payment of Grants-in-aid amounting to **Rs.16,99,28,000/- (Rupees Sixteen Crore Ninety Nine Lakh Twenty Eight Thousand Only) to the State Government of Punjab** as Central assistance towards administrative contingency for implementation of the Mahatma Gandhi NREGA during the financial year 2024-25.

2. The Central funds and the corresponding State share, from the State treasury would be released by the States to the concerned State Nodal Account (SNA)/ Programme Implementing Agency (PIA) account within a maximum period of 15 days from the receipt of Central funds in the State Treasury. The State Government is requested to endorse the copy of the release order to the Central Government addressed as under:

**Shri Suman Majumdar, Deputy Secretary (Mahatma Gandhi NREGA)
Ministry of Rural Development, Krishi Bhawan,
New Delhi, 110001**

3. State may ensure timely release of State matching share against amounts released by this Ministry towards Material Component.
4. The pending liabilities (Admin. Component) of FY 2023-24 must be cleared first. The status of clearance of old pending liabilities will be reviewed by the Ministry from time to time.
5. Accounting for Admin contingency should be maintained separately for assessing the matching State share towards material component from the angle for central release and to maintain the limit of 6% for expenditure on Admin contingency.
6. Further the following conditions shall be fulfilled in utilisation of these funds:

Adherence to the time line indicated in the minutes of the Labour Budget meeting for 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 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.

The Expenditure of material component including wages of skilled and semi-skilled labour will be shared between Centre and State Government in the ratio of 75:25.

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.

As per DoE's vide O.M. No. 1(13)PFMS/FCD/2020, dated 23.03.2021 and as per MGNREGA Operational guidelines, Clause-12.3, State shall maintain Single Nodal Account/SEGF account for ensuring transparency & accountability of funds management and to avoid the diversion of funds.

As per Rule 230 (8) of GFR-2017, "All interest and other earnings against Grants –in-aids released to any grantee institutions should be mandatorily remitted to the Consolidated Fund of India immediately after finalization of accounts. Such advance should not be allowed to be adjusted against future release."

State should refund the interest receipt to the consolidated Fund of India immediately.

7. No Utilization Certificate is pending against the Recipient Organization under the Scheme.

8. Funds towards Admin. Contingency must be used against Admin. expenses (Salary etc.).

9. 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.

10. The expenditure is debit to the following Head of Accounts under Demand No.87 Department of Rural Development (2024-25):

3601 Grants-in-aid to State Governments (Major Head)
06 Centrally Sponsored Schemes
101 Central Assistant/Share
28 Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employments
28.01 Programme Component Mahatma Gandhi NREGA
28.01.35 Grants for creation of Capital Assets.

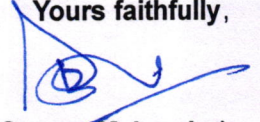
11. The DDO, Mahatma Gandhi NREGA, New Delhi (207172) will be the Drawing & Disbursing Officer for the purpose. The amount mentioned in Para –1 above will be transferred to the State Government of Punjab in the following Account:

Sl. No.	Amount to be transferred to Administrative Component	Particulars	
		Name of Account	
	Rs.1699.28 Lakh	Name of Account	MGNREGA Admin
		SEGF Account No.	50100524762960
		Bank Name	HDFC Bank
		Branch Name	Mohali- Phase-XI Branch
		IFSC Code	HDFC0001308
		MICR No	160240030

12. Conditions mentioned in the minutes of the LB meeting 2024-25 must be complied with before release of next instalment. The clarifications/replies sought from the State from time to time must be furnished without fail.

13. This issues under the powers delegated to this Ministry and in consultation with the Integrated Finance Division vide their **U.O. No. 1004/Finance/2024-25 dated 27.01.2025.**

Yours faithfully,



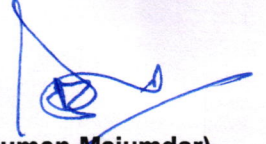
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1. The Principal Accounts office, MoRD.
2. The Principal Secretary, Rural Development Department, Govt. of Punjab.
3. The Accountant General, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh.
4. The Director, Rural Development, Government of Punjab.
5. The Resident Commissioner, Govt. of Punjab, New Delhi for taking necessary action under intimation to this Ministry.
6. Under Secretary (RE -V Section), Mahatma Gandhi NREGA.
- 7 Under Secretary (Fin.-I).
- 8 Guard File/ Sanction folder.



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