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Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture
Department of Agriculture & Cooperation
(Horticulture Division)

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To

The Mission Directors of all States/Implementing agencies under MIDH and OFWM (Micro Irrigation)

Subject:- Review of instructions regarding release of funds under MIDH and OFWM (Micro Irrigation) – regarding.

Sir/Madam,

In supersession of the instructions issued vide this Ministry's letter of even number dated 21.10.2013, I am directed to say that the instructions have been reviewed and henceforth the release of funds under MIDH and OFWM (Micro Irrigation) shall be regulated as per conditions as stated in the enclosed Annexure. The instructions shall supplement the existing guidelines of MIDH and OFWM (MI).

This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

Yours faithfully

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Guidelines for Release of funds under Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) And On Farm Water Management (OFWM) (Micro Irrigation)

- (i) The allocated grants-in-aid/funds would be released to the States/Implementing Agencies in instalments. Based on the allocation in Budget Estimates/Revised Estimates, States/Implementing Agency-wise allocations may be revised.
- (ii) Central share of grants-in-aid shall be released subject to receipt of the state share of grant-in-aid upto the preceding financial year (except for those components of MIDH which are 100% centrally funded).
- (iii) An amount equivalent to 50% of the annual allocation minus the opening balance at the start of the financial year will be released as First instalment to the State Government/National Level Agency upon receipt of the proposal from the competent authority of respective State Governments/National Level Agency etc., along with Provisional Utilization Certificate in respect of funds released in the preceding financial year.
- (iv) Unspent balance and Physical & Financial Progress Report of the previous grants will also be taken into account while sanctioning the grant in subsequent financial year.
- (v) States/ implementing agencies can claim second instalment upon utilization of 60% of the total available funds viz. (opening balance as at the beginning of the financial year + releases made in the current financial year).
- (vi) Release of grants-in-aid in excess of 75% of the total amount allocated in any financial year shall be done only after the Annual Audited Statement of Accounts (Audited UC, Income & Expenditure Account, Receipt & Payment Account and Balance Sheet) relating to grants-in-aid released during preceding year are submitted. If the Audited Statement of Accounts of previous year is not submitted, the release would be capped at 75% of the allocation. The amount remaining out of the annual allocation will be released upon receipt of audited statement of account for previous year.
- (vii) State/Implementing Agencies will furnish UC in Form GFR 19-A and the prescribed format of physical and financial progress report containing physical and financial targets of the previous grants-in-aid along with achievements made thereto, if any, before requesting for release of subsequent instalment of the grant-in-aid.
- (viii) All Implementing Agencies are required to maintain subsidiary accounts of the grants-inaid and get the same audited from a Chartered Accountant.