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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Guidelines for release of funds to Dima Hasao Autonomous Territorial Council (DHATC) Package subsequent to Memorandum of Settlement (MoS) signed amongst Government of India, Government of Assam and Dima Haram Daogah (DHD) on 8.10.2012.

To fulfill aspirations of people of Dima Hasao for all – round development by facilitating devolution of economic development, while preserving and promoting their cultural identity and language, a tripartite MoS was signed between Central Government, Government of Assam and Dima Haram Daogah (DHD) on 08.10.12 to initiate time bound steps for devolution of power to grass root level in Dima Hasao, and ensuring increased capacity building for developmental activities at all levels. As per Para 9.3 of this agreement, a Special Economic Package of Rs. 200 crore (Rs. 40 crore per annum) over and above the Plan fund over the next five years will be provided to DHATC to undertake special projects that will be proposed by the Council. Funds will be provided through Government of Assam.

2. In order to expedite release of funds for DHATC projects, Ministry of DoNER has, after careful consideration, finalized following guidelines to process such cases. These Guidelines will come into force with immediate effect.

- (i) DHATC will prepare an annual list of priority projects (hereinafter referred as 'Priority List') keeping in view MoS for Dima Hasao Autonomous Territorial Council for balanced socio-economic infrastructure development across sectors and will submit same to Ministry of DONER through Government of Assam.

Priority List should be accompanied with Concept Papers of each project which will include details of major components of projects such as Estimated Cost of the item of works, Benefits to accrue from the projects, Implementing Department, Completion Schedule, Work Plan etc.


- (ii) NLCPR Committee under Chairmanship of Secretary, DoNER will consider these projects in overall context of Accord and recommend retention of projects for sanction.
- (iii) Government of Assam / DHATC will be intimated regarding retention of Projects after which Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) will be prepared by State Government / DHATC in accordance with Concept Papers for each of Projects and State Government will carry out techno – economic examination of these DPRs by a competent technical authority.
- (iv) State Government will constitute a Standing Committee under Chairmanship of Chief Secretary, Government of Assam with following members :
- (a) Principal Secretary / Commissioner, Planning Department
 - (b) Principal Secretary / Commissioner, Finance Department.
 - (c) Principal Secretary / Commissioner, Hill Area Deptt. (HAD).
 - (d) Principal Secretary, Home & Political Department
 - (e) Principal Secretary, DHATC, Assam.
 - (f) Commissioner/Secretary to the Chief Minister, Assam.



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The Committee will co-opt any other officer / representative of Government for assistance. The Standing Committee will consider DPRs along with comments/reports of competent authority regarding techno-economic examination of the projects.

- (v) Standing Committee while approving the DPR (s) will firm up cost of Project(s). A copy of DPR, alongwith copy of techno-economic analysis and recommendation of Standing Committee will be sent to Ministry of DoNER.
- (vi) Work of preparation of DPRs, their techno-economic examination and their approval by the Standing Committee will be completed within a period of 3 months from date of retention of the Project.
- (vii) Standing Committee will also decide implementing agency and fix time limits for implementation of the project.
- (viii) On receipt of approval of Standing Committee for a project, 50% of firmed up cost will be released by Ministry of DoNER to State Government immediately.
- (ix) State Government will send a copy of Administrative & Financial Approval of each project to Ministry of DoNER immediately on receipt of release of 1st installment.
- (x) After 75% of released amount of first installment is utilized, DHATC, through Govt of Assam will send a proposal to Ministry of DoNER with relevant UCs, QPRs (on the proforma already prescribed for NLCPR projects), Inspection Report, Work Plan, and photographs etc. of completed works (depicting mandatory signboards) for release of balance 50% or balance amount of approved project cost.
- (xi) The Standing Committee will monitor, review and evaluate progress of implementation periodically with special reference to time limits fixed for various stages of implementation. Standing Committee will also ensure that completion report of project is sent to Ministry of DoNER immediately after project is completed.
- (xii) DHATC / Government of Assam will ensure timely implementation / completion of the projects in accordance with the approved cost and no revision / escalation in the project cost will be entertained.


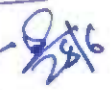

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