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Government of India
Ministry of Rural Development
Department of Rural Development
Rural Connectivity (RC) Division

Room No.361-B
Krishi Bhawan, New Delh-110001
Dated the 1st October, 2018

To

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

Subject – Release of Grants-in-aid to State Government of West Bengal under ADB for the year Financial Year 2018-19.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President to the payment of Grants-in-aid amounting to **Rs.156,52,00,000/- (Rupees One Fifty Six Crore and Fifty Two Lakh Only)** to the State Government of West Bengal as Central assistance under ADB for the Financial Year 2018-19.

1.2 The amount of **Rs.156.52 Cr.** under ADB (Batch-II, 2017-18) as per the details given below:

Phase & Year	Value of Project (VoP) cleared (Central)	Amount already released	Balance left	Present Release
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
ADB (Batch-II, 2017-18) Vide Clearance letter dated 28.8.2017	306.52	*150.00	156.52	156.52 <i>(With the current release, this phase will get exhausted)</i>

*Released vide S.O dated 27.3.2017

2. The State Government must transfer these funds to State Rural Road Development Agency within 3 days positively from the date of receipt of these funds. In case of non transfer beyond this period, Central Government may be considered to stop further releases. Besides, the State Government would be liable to pay interest @12% for the period of delay beyond the specified period. The State Government is requested to endorse the copy of the release order to the Central Government addressed as under;

**Dr. Surabhi Rai, Dy. Secretary (Rural Connectivity),
Ministry of Rural Development, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi - 110001.**

3. The West Bengal State Rural Road Development Agency (WBSRDA) has nominated **Shri Dipanjan Bhattacharya, Joint Secretary & Joint Chief Executive Officer as the Empowered Officer** of WBSRDA.

4. The funds released by the State Government shall be kept in a separate savings **Bank Account No. 011143673802 (IFSC Code No. SBIN0014524 & Branch Code No.14524), State Bank of India, Specialised Institutional Banking Branch, Samriddhi Bhawan, 4th Floor, 1, Strand Road, Kolkata-700001.** It shall be ensured by the West Bengal State Rural Road Development Agency that the Programme Implementing Units (PIUs) in the districts have access to the funds and the funds held in the specified account are allowed to be utilized only by the Executing Agency/Agencies for the purpose of approved works under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana. The Empowered Officer of West Bengal State Rural Road Development Agency (WBSRDA) shall communicate to the bank the names of the Authorised Signatories, who will be issuing cheques on the Agency's bank account for the purpose of this sanction.

5. The Empowered Officer shall issue standing instructions to the bank regarding the names of authorized payees and their designated account details and the amounts admissible to each payee. He will also specify limits on monthly payments as per the agreed work programme for the respective package.

6. No Utilization Certificate is pending from West Bengal State Rural Road Development Agency (WBSRDA).

7. Utilisation Certificate should be submitted within 12(twelve) months of the closure of the financial year which shall include interest accrued. Interest accrued should be computed based on the details of the ledger accounts for the purpose.

8. 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 211 (1) of the General Financial Rules.

9. The expenditure is debit to the following Head of Accounts under **Demand No.82** Department of Rural Development (2018-19).

3601	-	Grants-in-aid to State Governments (Major Head)
06	-	Centrally Sponsored Schemes
102	-	Externally Aided Projects- Grants for Centrally Sponsored Schemes
30	-	Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana
30.01	-	Programme Component-PMGSY (ADB)
30.01.35	-	Grants for creation of Capital assets

10. The Pay & Accounts Officer, Ministry of Rural Development will be the Drawing & Disbursing Officer for the purpose. The amount mentioned in Para-1 above will be transferred to State Government of West Bengal.


11. This issues under the powers delegated to this Ministry and in consultation with the Integrated Finance Division vide their **U.O. No.633/Finance/2018-19 dated 1.10.2018**.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. Surabhi Rai)
Deputy Secretary (RC)
Tel No.011- 23383006.

Copy to:-

1. The Chief Secretary to the Government of West Bengal.
2. Shri Dipanjan Bhattacharya, Joint Secretary & Joint Chief Executive Officer, West Bengal State Rural Road Development Agency (WBSRDA).
3. The Manager, State Bank of India, Kolkata Main Branch, Strand Road, Kolkata – 700001.
4. Accountant General, West Bengal, Kolkata.
5. The Principal Director General, Media & Communication, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
6. Chief Controller of Accounts, Ministry of Rural Development.
7. The Director of Audit, Economic & Service Ministries, I.P. Estate, AGCR Building, New Delhi- 110002.
8. All Directors, NRRDA.
9. Finance Division-I/Guard File/Sanction Register.


(Dr. Surabhi Rai)
Deputy Secretary (RC)