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Sub: Timely completion of statutory audit of PIUs and SRRDAs.

Dear Madam | Svis,

As you are aware, each year, a statutory audit of the PIUs and SRRDAs in respect of all 3 PMGSY funds is to be done by Chartered Accountant empanelled by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India. Further, the audited financial statements including audit report should be sent to the SRRDAs within 4 months of the closing of financial year (para 16.3.4 of PMGSY Programme fund accounting manual). Subsequently, the audited accounts alongwith all the supporting documents are to be sent to National Rural Infrastructure Development Agency (NRIDA) by 30 September of each year (Para 20.1 of the Programme Guidelines)

However, it has been observed that audited accounts, only in respect of few States, are being received timely in NRIDA. Therefore, in order to ensure that the audit related activities are completed in a timely manner, as stipulated in the accounting manual and programme guideline of PMGSY, it is imperative that SRRDAs formulate an audit calendar so that these activities could regularly be monitored for timely implementation.

In this connection, it is suggested that after the end of financial year, the SRRDAs should ensure that any rectification in the accounts of the previous financial year, which may be required, is completed latest by 30 April of each year. Parallelly, appointment of statutory auditor and audit of PIUs and SRRDA by the auditor(s) may be planned in such a manner that audit report is received by SRRDA within four months after closure of the financial year i.e. before 31 July. Thereafter, annual audited accounts of the SRRDAs should be submitted to NRIDA latest by 30 September of each year after its approval by the SRRDA management.

It is requested that necessary directions may be passed on to a concerned officers in the SRRDAs of your States/UTs for strict compliance of the above mentioned time lines. This will go a long way in ensuring timely completion of statutory audit of the SRRDA and submission of audit accounts to NRIDA. This is to reiterate that any fund release after 30 September 2022 will be possible after submission of audit report from the State/UT.

Yours sincerely

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with regards,

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ACS/ Principal Secretary/ Secretary/CEO of Nodal Department/ SRRDAs of PMGSY and RCPLWEA of all States/UTs.

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