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Government of India
Ministry of Environment and Forests
National River Conservation Directorate

Paryavaran Bhawan,
CGO Complex, Lodhi Road,
New Delhi-110003.

Dated 1st March, 2012

To,

Principal Secretary to the Government of West Bengal
(Shri Debashish Sen),
Department of Urban Development,
Nagarayan Bhawan,
DF-8, Sector-I, Salt Lake City,
Kolkata-700064,
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Sub: Administrative Approval and Expenditure Sanction (AA&ES), for Mass Awareness Campaign and motivating General Public towards successful implementation of the NGRBA Programme through River festivals proposed to be organized in Millennium Park and 14 other Municipal towns of West Bengal in April 2012 under National Ganga River Authority at an estimated cost of Rs. Rs. 57,35,600/- (Rupees Fifty seven lakh thirty five thousand and six hundred only) in favour of the West Bengal State NGRBA Program Management Group (SPMG), Nagarayan Bhawan (4th Floor), DF -8, Sector- I, Salt lake, Kolkata-700064 during the financial year 2011-12.

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2. The breakup of activity wise cost will be communicated to NMCG by the State Government immediately.

3.(a) The release of 1st installment of central grant (Approximately Rs. 20.00 lakhs, equivalent to 50% of the Central Government share) will take place and award of work will be done by the State Government only on fulfillment of the following terms and conditions. The SPMG shall inform NRCD on compliance at the earliest:

- (i) The activity wise break-up of costs should be provided by the State Government immediately and the expenditure will be restricted to activity wise cost.
- (ii) The advertising/event management agency should be selected strictly through a transparent competitive bidding method in accordance with the extant GFR norms. Details on this have to be provided and approval of NMCG has to be sought for this.
- 3.(b) The release of funds will be subject further to the following terms and conditions:
- (i) All the proposed activities are undertaken and commenced in time during the River Festival, so that successful outcome is to be ensured with a large and diverse target group.
- (ii) The SPMG, West Bengal shall ensure that they adequately and effectively inform the target group about the NGRBA program, its objectives, and projects sanctioned so far, projects to be submitted by the State Govt. and projects in pipeline; for meaningful awareness generation. How the general public and civil society can play constructive role to bring success to NGRBA program may be delineated effectively through the River Festival programme.
- (iii) The State Govt., for the next financial year and onwards, shall submit in advance the component wise financial allocation/target under different activities such as sewerage, public participation, RFM, SWM etc. to be included in Annual Action Plan as sanction will be considered based on the provision of Annual Plan.
- (iv) The implementation of the scheme is closely monitored as to ensure the completion of the scheme within the sanctioned cost and time. Any increase in cost due to time over run or any other reason shall be borne by State Govt. /SPMG alone.
- (v) The cost is to be borne on 70:30 basis between GoI and State Government. The State Government of West Bengal shall confirm its commitment to contribute their share in the scheme to NRCD immediately.
- (vi) Release of additional funds after 1st instalment will be considered only after receipt of Utilization Certificate, Expenditure Statement showing clearly progress and a detailed report of output and outcome of the project.
- (vii) The SPMG, West Bengal will undertake/implement all the sanctioned activities within stipulated time and certify.
- (viii) Effective awareness generation, publicity and imparting of knowledge & information dissemination about NGRBA programme have to be ensured as envisaged in the project.
- (ix) The Campaign need to focus on citizen duty & responsibility also in keeping Ganga pollution free.
- (x) The requirement of obtaining house sewerage connection by the citizens under NGRBA has to be emphasized and effectively communicated.
- (xi) Generation of awareness about maintaining general hygiene and importance on sanitation to be undertaken also.
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7.1 Audit:

- (a) The Comptroller & Auditor General of India, at his discretion, shall have the right of access to the books and accounts of the Implementing Agency receiving the funds from the Government of India for the purpose of Audit.
- (b) The books of accounts of the grantee, relating to this grant, shall be open to Audit by the Internal Audit Wing of this Ministry.
- (c) The implementing agency/SPMG shall furnish to the Government a report of its completed work/project and its audited statement of accounts within three months as per the provisions of Financial Manual of NGRBA Framework.

7.2 Submission of Utilization Certificate (UCs):

The Utilization Certificates (UCs) in the prescribed format shall be signed and stamped by the Head of the Organization, Head of the Accounts Department and field level functionary at Executive Engineer level/Principal Investigator, as applicable. The name and designation of the officers signing the UCs shall be clearly mentioned in full and in capital letters.

7.3 Project Management & Monitoring:

- (a) The projects should be monitored and reviewed critically by the Implementing Agency and nodal department. Responsibilities may be fixed for those who are responsible for time & cost overrun.
- (b) Citizens Monitoring Committees shall be constituted in the towns where the NRCP works are proposed to be taken up.

7.4 Inspection:

- (a) The Government of India may depute any person to visit the implementing agency for the purpose of monitoring its work. Full facilities shall be provided by the implementing agency to the person/s deputed for inspection by the Government of India.
- (b) The implementing agency shall maintain separate audited accounts for the project.

7.5 Miscellaneous:

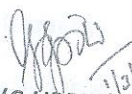
Any staff that may be employed for preparation, execution or operation of the project by the implementing agency are not to be treated as employees of the Government of India. They shall be governed solely by the rules of the grantee with respect to all matter including terms and tenure of service. The development of such staff at the time of completion or termination of the project will not be the concern or responsibility of the Government of India.

8. The expenditure on the scheme would be debit to the Major Head '3435', 04.101.06.03.31-Grants-in-Aid (National Ganga River Basin Authority) 'General' under National River Conservation Plan (NRCP) under Demand No. 30 Ministry of Environment & Forests for the financial year 2011-2012 (Plan).

9. In case of violation of any of these conditions of the grant or in case of closure or dissolution of the grantee organization, the Government shall take possession of all the assets of the organization acquired out of the Government grant and use them in any manner deemed appropriated or to recover from the organization the value of such assets at its discretion.

10. This issues under the powers delegated to the Ministry of Environment and Forests with approval of Secretary (E&F) in the Ministry of Environment and Forests as well as with the concurrence of IFD vide their Dy. No. 297/AS & FA dated 15.02.2012.

Yours faithfully,


(C.UPPILI) 1/3/2012

Under Secretary to the Government of India

Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:-

1. The Pay & Accounts Officer, Ministry of Environment & Forests, Paryavaran Bhawan, CGO Complex, Lódhi Road, New Delhi-110003.
2. DDO (NRCD 2 copies)
3. Joint Director of Audit-II, Commercial, Scientific and MIs. Works, AGCR, Building, I.P. Estates, New Delhi.
4. The Program Director, West Bengal State NGRBA Program Management Group (SPMG), Nagarayan Bhawan (4th Floor), DF-8, Sector-I, Salt Lake, Kolkata-700064.
5. JS & MD/ Dir (IFD), Additional Director Adl. Mission Director (AM)/(B)/DD (AR)/Computer Cell
6. Sanction Folder/guard file


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