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संयुक्त सचिव मत्स्यपालन विभाग मत्स्यपालन, पशुपालन, एवं डेयरी मंत्रालय भारत सरकार कृषि भवन, नई दिल्ली-110001 Joint Secretary Department of Fisheries Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying Government of India Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110001 Dated the 14th July, 2021

D. O. No. J-18001/2/2017 Dear Colleagues

Please refer to the Department of Fisheries' letter of even number dated 08.04.2021, 27.05.2021, and 04.06.2021 forwarding the revised procedure for release of funds to States for the Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) and Monitoring utilization of the funds released issued by Ministry of Finance.

2. In the above context, I would like to draw your kind attention towards the aim of the revised procedure. The procedure for release of funds to States for CSS has been revised to ensure effective Cash Management and improve transparency in public expenditure Management. The revised procedure is operational w.e.f. 1st July, 2021. The updated status of implementation of Single Nodal Agencies is still awaited from many of the States/UTs. Pay and Account Office (PAO) has informed that without implementation of SNA, central funds will not be released and one checklist need to be issued along with the sanction to PAO for further processing for release of funds.

3. Further, Ministry of Finance vide OM dated 30th June, 2021 (enclosed) has conveyed that the conveyed 'Single Nodal Agency (SNA) shall ensure that the interest earned from the funds released should be mandatorily remitted to the respective consolidated funds on pro rate basis in terms of Rule 230(8) of GFR 2017. Interest earned should be clearly and separately depicted in PFMS, scheme- specific portals integrated with PFMS and in MIS provided by banks.' The head of accounts has been mentioned for Central Government. In this context an undertaking need to be shared to DoF by the Secretary of State Government in the enclosed format every year along with the proposal for release of 1st installment of funds under the CSS and the undertaking shall be furnished latest by 31st October, 2021 every year.

4. In order to facilitate on implementation of Single Nodal Agency, Ministry of Finance has issued FAQs on procedures for release of funds under the CSS and monitoring of utilisation of the funds released.

5. I request you to kindly review completion of all the preparatory activities and ensure strict compliance of revised procedure in your State/UTs for CSS. It would be appreciated if you kindly share the progress report of the implementation of Single Nodal Agency with the Department.

This may be accorded high priority.

Encl: As above

With worm regards,

Yours sincerely,

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