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Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare
(NRM Division, National Bamboo Mission)

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated 25th April, 2019

To

State Mission Director
State Bamboo Mission
(As per list)

BTSG-Indian Council for Forestry Research & Education, Dehradun
BTSG-Cane and Bamboo Technology Centre, Guwahati
BTSG-Kerala Forest Research Institute, Peechi
Indian Institute of Foreign Trade, New Delhi

Subject: Revalidation of unspent balances out of Grants-in-Aid released during 2018-19 and accrued interest thereon for implementation of National Bamboo Mission (NBM).

Sir/Madam,

I am directed say that there is possibility that Central Grant released during 2017-18 for implementation of National Bamboo Mission (NBM) may remain unutilized, in full or in part on the close of financial year and as such, there may be unspent balance available with the State Govt. / Implementing Agencies as on 1-4-2019.

2. Therefore, it has been decided with the approval of competent authority that unspent balance in respect of Central Grant released under NBM during 2018-19 and the bank interest earned & accrued thereon stands revalidated for utilization for the activities of the same Scheme during current financial year i.e. 2019-20.

3. Unspent balance of Grant-in-Aid released in the previous financial year, i.e. 2018-19 and interest earned thereon, if any, in case money is kept in Saving Bank Account, will be counted towards Grant-in-Aid for the current financial year. **Such unspent amount needs to be utilized on or before 31.03.2019.**

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4. Revalidation of unspent balances will be adjusted against release of first/second instalment and allocation of current financial year and the allocation / release of funds for current financial year will be reduced to that extent. Proposal for release of second instalment of funds for FY 2018-19 and first instalment of funds for FY 2019-20 will only be considered after the utilization of substantial amount of available unspent balance of previous years.

5. Further, it may kindly be ensured that Utilization Certificate along with Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts should clearly reflect the amount of unspent balance including the bank interest earned as on 01.04.2019 so that these amounts are accounted for in a transparent and unambiguous manner.

6. As per Rule 230(8) of GFR 2017, all interest or other earnings against Grants-in-Aid or advances (other than reimbursement) released to any Grantee Institution should be mandatorily remitted to the Consolidated Fund of India immediately after

finalisation of the accounts. Such advances should not be allowed to be adjusted against future releases.

7. It may be ensured that the AAP 2019-20 also include unfinished/spill over activities of the previous financial year, if any. However, the same shall be accounted for in the utilization of current year in the Utilization Certificate.

8. **As regards revalidation of unspent balances brought forward from out of the funds released before 2018-19 for utilization in 2019-20, separate revalidation will be done only after receipt of proposal with full justification for non utilization of funds.**

Yours faithfully,



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