ABSTRACT

Grants – Fifth State Finance Commission Grants for the year 2020-21 – Release of Rs.860,34,58,210/- towards Fifth State Finance Commission Grant to the Village Panchayats, Panchayat Unions and District Panchayats for the month of January, 2021 – Orders – Issued.

Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (PR-1) Department

G.O. (Ms) No.38 **Dated: 26.02.2021.**
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Read:

1 G.O. (Ms) No.84, Finance (FC-IV) Department, dated 31.03.2017.
2 G.O. (D) No.223, Municipal Administration and Water Supply (FC) Department, dated 29.06.2020.
3 G.O. (Ms) No.137, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department (PR1) Department, dated 12.08.2020.
4 G.O. (Ms) No.169, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (PR-1) Department, dated: 27.10.2020.
5 G.O. (Ms) No.7, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (PR-1) Department, dated: 20.01.2021.
6 From the Commissioner of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Letter No.18405/2020/PRI 2-2, dated 05.02.2021.

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ORDER:-

In the Government Order first read above, as per the recommendations of Fifth State Finance Commission, the Government have ordered to apportion the devolution grant of the Rural Local Bodies among the Village Panchayats, Panchayat Unions and District Panchayats in the ratio of 55:37:8 and this grant has to be released to Rural Local Bodies as per the horizontal distribution of SFC devolution as mentioned below:

a)	Total population (2011 Census)	60%
b)	SC/ST population	15%
c)	Area	15%
d)	Per capita consumption expenditure distance	10%

2. The Commissioner of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj in the letter 6th read above has stated that in Budget Estimate 2020-21, a total amount of Rs.4728,00,74,000/- has been provided as SFC Devolution Grant for three tiers of Panchayats and later it has been reduced to Rs.3858,06,60,000/- in Revised Budget for the year 2020-21 and earmarked to RLBs as mentioned below:

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(in Rupees)

Component	BE 2020-21	RE 2020-21	Minimum Grant	Population Grant
Village Panchayats (DPC 3604-00-198-AA-30902)	2,600,40,41,000	2600,40,41,000	876,75,00,000 @Rs.7,00,000/- per annum	1723,65,41,000
Panchayat Unions (DPC 3604-00-197-AA-30902)	1,749,36,27,000	1034,07,75,000	93,12,00,000 @Rs.24,00,000/- per annum	940,95,75,000
District Panchayats (DPC 3604-00-196-AA-30902)	378,24,06,000	223,58,44,000	--	223,58,44,000
Total	**4,728,00,74,000**	**3858,06,60,000**	**969,87,00,000**	**2888,19,60,000**

3. The Commissioner of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj has further stated that in G.O (Ms) No.137, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (PR-1) Department, dated: 12.08.2020, G.O. (Ms) No.169, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (PR-1) Department, dated: 27.10.2020 and G.O.(Ms) No.7, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (PR-1) Department, dated: 20.01.2021, the Government have issued orders for the release of total amount of **Rs.1629,08,00,790/- (Rupees One Thousand Six Hundred and Twenty Nine Crore Eight Lakh Seven Hundred and Ninety only)** from April to December, 2020 (for 9 months) towards Minimum Grant and Population Grant to Village Panchayats, Panchayat Unions and District Panchayats under Fifth State Finance Commission Grant for the year 2020-21 and the same have been drawn and disbursed to concerned Rural Local Bodies in Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Proceedings No.18276/2020/PRI 2.2, dated: 27.08.2020, 31.10.2020 and 25.01.2021 respectively as mentioned below:

(in Rupees)

Category		Total Allocation as per RE 2020-21	G.O (Ms) No.137, RD & PR(PR-1) Dept., dt: 12.08.2020 (for April & May, 2020)	G.O(Ms)No. 169, RD & PR(PR-1) Dept., dt: 27.10.2020 (for June to Sep, 2020)	G.O(Ms)No.7, RD & PR (PR-1) Dept., dt: 20.01.2021 (for Oct to Dec, 2020)	Total amount released up to Dec, 2020
Village Panchayats 12525	Minimum Grant (@Rs.7,00,000/- per annum)	876,75,00,000	75,15,00,000	150,30,00,000	225,45,00,000	**4,50,90,00,000**
	Population Grant	1723,65,41,000	80,87,42,460	161,74,84,920	361,10,44,500	**6,03,72,71,880**
	Total	**2600,40,41,000**	**156,02,42,460**	**312,04,84,920**	**586,55,44,500**	**1054,62,71,880**
Panchayat Unions 388	Minimum Grant (@Rs.24,00,000 /- per annum)	93,12,00,000	15,52,00,000	31,04,00,000	23,28,00,000	**69,84,00,000**
	Population Grant	940,95,75,000	89,44,17,620	178,88,35,240	134,16,26,430	**402,48,79,290**
	Total	**1034,07,75,000**	**104,96,17,620**	**209,92,35,240**	**157,44,26,430**	**472,32,79,290**
District Panchayats 36	Population Grant	**223,58,44,000**	**22,69,44,360**	**45,38,88,720**	**34,04,16,540**	**102,12,49,620**
Total		**3858,06,60,000**	**283,68,04,440**	**567,36,08,880**	**778,03,87,470**	**1629,08,00,790**

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a) **Village Panchayat:**

Minimum Grant: Out of Rs.2600,40,41,000/- earmarked as Village Panchayat share as per RE 2020-21, an amount Rs.876,75,00,000/- has to be released to 12,525 Village Panchayats as Minimum Lump sum Grant @Rs.7.00 lakh per Village Panchayat per annum as per the Fifth State Finance Commission recommendations i.e.,@Rs.60,000/- per month per Village Panchayat from April 2020 to January 2021 (10 months) and Rs.50,000/- per month per Village Panchayat for February and March, 2021 (2 months).

Accordingly, a total amount of Rs.450,90,00,000/- has been released to 12,525 Village Panchayats @Rs.60,000/- per month per Village Panchayat (i.e., 12,525 x Rs.60,000/- x 6 months) as Minimum Lump sum Grant for 9 months from April to December, 2020.

Population Grant: In respect of Population Grant, the balance amount of Rs.1723,65,41,000/- is earmarked for the year 2020-21 has to be released to 12,525 Village Panchayats on the horizontal sharing ratio. Accordingly, a sum of Rs.603,72,71,880/- has been released to 12,525 Village Panchayats for 9 months from April to December, 2020.

b) **Panchayat Union:**

Minimum Grant: Out of Rs.1034,07,75,000/- earmarked as Panchayat Union share as per RE 2020-21, an amount of Rs.93,12,00,000/- has to be released to 388 Panchayat Unions as Minimum Lump sum Grant @ Rs.24.00 lakh per annum per Panchayat Union (i.e., Rs.2,00,000/- x 388 x 12 months) from April, 2020 to March, 2021 as per the Fifth State Finance Commission recommendations. Accordingly, a sum of Rs.69,84,00,000/- has been released for 9 months from April to December, 2020 (i.e., Rs.2,00,000/- x 388 x 9 months).

Population Grant: In respect of Population Grant, the balance amount of Rs.940,95,75,000/- is earmarked for the year 2020-21 has to be released to 388 Panchayat Unions on the horizontal sharing ratio. Accordingly, a sum of Rs.402,48,79,290/- has been released to 388 Panchayat Unions for 9 months from April to December, 2020.

c) **District Panchayat - Population Grant:**

A total amount of Rs.223,58,44,000/- is earmarked as Population Grant to 36 District Panchayats, out of which a sum of Rs.102,12,49,620/- has been released to 36 District Panchayats on the horizontal sharing ratio for 9 months from April to December, 2020.

4. In this connection, the Commissioner of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj has further stated that out of the balance amount of Rs.2228,98,59,210/- to be released for 3 months i.e., from January to March, 2021 an amount of **Rs.664,33,11,842/-** has to be released for the month of January, 2021 as mentioned below:

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a) **Village Panchayat:**

Minimum Grant: Since, the Government in letter No.17106/PR-1/2020-2, dated: 19.12.2020 has stated that the SFC grant to the Village Panchayats will be released without any restrictions (i.e.100 %) as per BE 2020-21. An amount of Rs.30,000/- per Village Panchayat per month has been drawn and disbursed to the Village Panchayats from April to September, 2020. Hence, the balance amount of **Rs.225,45,00,000/-** @Rs.30,000/- per month to per Village Panchayat has to be released for 6 months from April to September, 2020 (i.e., 12,525 x Rs.30,000/- x 6 months). Further, an amount of **Rs.75,15,00,000/-** has to be released @ Rs.60,000/- per Village Panchayat for the month of January, 2021 (i.e., 12525 x Rs.60,000/- x 1 month). Totally, a sum of **Rs.300,60,00,000/-** (Rs.225,45,00,000/- + Rs.75,15,00,000/-) has to be released to 12,525 Village Panchayats as Minimum Grant for the month of January, 2021.

Population Grant: An amount of Rs.223,98,53,824/- has to be released for the month of January, 2021.

Hence, a sum of **Rs.524,58,53,824/-** has to be released to 12,525 Village Panchayats as Minimum Grant and Population Grant for the month of January, 2021.

b) **Panchayat Union:**

Minimum Grant: An amount Rs.7,76,00,000/- @Rs.2,00,000/- per Panchayat Union (i.e., Rs.2,00,000/- x 388 x 1 month) has to be released for the month of January, 2021 to 388 Panchayat Unions as Minimum Lump sum Grant.

Population Grant: An amount of Rs.107,69,39,142/- has to be released for the month of January, 2021 to 388 Panchayat Unions as Population Grant.

Hence, a sum of **Rs.115,45,39,142/-** has to be released to 388 Panchayat Unions as Minimum Grant and Population Grant for the month of January, 2021.

c) **District Panchayat:**

Population Grant: An amount of **Rs.24,29,18,876/-** has to be released to 36 District Panchayats for the month of January, 2021 as Population Grant on the horizontal sharing ratio.

5. The Commissioner of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj has therefore requested the Government to issue orders for the sanction and release for the total amount of **Rs.664,33,11,842/- (Rupees Six Hundred and Sixty Four Crore Thirty Three Lakh Eleven Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty Two only)** towards Minimum Grant for 12,525 Village Panchayats and 388 Panchayat Unions and Population Grant for all the three tiers of Panchayats for the month of January, 2021.

6. The Government after careful examination of the proposal of the Ccommissioner of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj accord sanction for a sum of **Rs.860,34,58,210/- (Rupees eight hundred and sixty crore thirty four lakh fifty eight thousand two hundred and ten only)** towards State Finance Commission Grant for Village Panchayats, Panchayat Unions and District Panchayats for the month of January, 2021.

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7. The amount sanctioned in para 6 above shall be debited to the following respective Head of Accounts:-

Head of Account	Sanction of amount requested for the month of January, 2021
3604-00-Compensation and Assignments to Local Bodies and Panchayat Raj Institutions - 198 Assistance to Village Panchayats – State's Expenditure AA Grants to **Village Panchayats** as per the recommendations of SFC controlled by Director of Rural Development - 309 Grants-in-aid-02-Grants for Creation of Capital Assets. **(DPC 3604-00-198-AA-30902)**	Minimum Grant **Rs.300,60,00,000/-** Population Grant **Rs.189,68,20,120/-**
3604-00-Compensation and Assignments to Local Bodies and Panchayat Raj Institutions - 197 Assistance to Block Panchayats/Intermediate level Panchayats - State's Expenditure AA Grants to **Panchayat Unions** as per the recommendation of SFC controlled by Director of Rural Development 309 Grants-in-aid-02-Grants for Creation of Capital Assets. **(DPC 3604-00-197-AA -30902)**	Minimum Grant **Rs.31,04,00,000/-** Population Grant **Rs.273,69,42,710/-**
3604-00-Compensation and Assignments to Local Bodies and Panchayat Raj Institutions - 196 Assistance to Zilla Parishads/District level Panchayats - State's Expenditure AA Grants to **District Panchayats** as per the recommendation of SFC controlled by Director of Rural Development 309 Grants-in-aid-02-Grants for Creation of Capital Assets. **(DPC 3604-00-196-AA-30902)**	Population Grant **Rs.65,32,95,380/-**
Total	**Rs.860,34,58,210/-**

8. The Commissioner of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj is authorized to draw the amount of Rs.860,34,58,210/- (Rupees eight hundred and sixty crore thirty four lakh fifty eight thousand two hundred and ten only) sanctioned in para 6 above for the month of January, 2021 from the above mentioned Head of Accounts and to disburse the amount to three tiers of Panchayat Raj Institutions and also to make necessary deductions for committed expenditure such as Pension Contribution and other deductions specifically authorized by the Government orders.

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9. The Pay and Accounts Officer / Treasury Officers concerned are requested to admit and honour the bills as and when presented by the Commissioner of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj, if they are found otherwise in order.

10. This order is issued with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.8678/Fin(RD)/2021, dated 26.02.2021.

(By Order of the Governor)

HANS RAJ VERMA
Additional Chief Secretary to Government

To
The Commissioner of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj, Chennai-15.
The Additional Chief Secretary / Director General
Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (Training), Chennai-15.
All District Collectors (Except Chennai)
The Director, State Institute of Rural Development, Maraimalai Nagar,
Kancheepuram District.
All Project Directors, District Rural Development Agencies.
The Pay and Accounts Officer (South), Chennai-35.
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The Principal Accountant General, Chennai – 9.
The Pay and Accounts Officer, Madurai.
All District Treasury Officers.

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