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*Dear Sir,*

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**Sub: Focus areas under MGNREGA- Performance Analysis up to June 2016**

With a view to ensuring effective implementation of MGNREGA in the States/UTs, the Ministry has been regularly reviewing various aspects of the programme. Based on discussions with the state representatives and monitoring through field visits, I strongly feel that the State needs to expeditiously resolve, inter alia, the following major programmatic implementation issues under MGNREGA;

- i. Job card verification and updation on a campaign mode:** It is to be ensured that all MGNREGA job cards are complete in all respects and verified before being issued. Time bound campaigns may be held to validate job cards and calendar for the same needs to be shared. The entire exercise needs to be completed before 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016. The Ministry will closely monitor this campaign and provide all requisite support for the purpose.
- ii. Completion of incomplete works:** During the FY 2016-17 (as on 04.7.2016), the percentage of works completed is only 3.58 %. 27870 works are incomplete in the State, which were started in FY 2014-15 or before (as on 04.07.2016). It is desirable to hold a review for arriving at the reasons for slow progress in completion of works and ensure completion of works, started in FY 2014-15 or before as per the timelines mentioned in the minutes of the Labor Budget meeting for FY 2016-17.
- iii. Durable Citizen Board/ Information Board at every worksite:** It may be ensured that Information Boards with important details about the work are placed at every worksite after completion of the work. The cost of constructing the Information Board may be considered to be built into the estimate. It will be appreciated if a uniform design with suggestive content is developed at the State level and communicated to the implementing agencies for execution.
- iv. Asset register:** In view of the increased focus on assets and targets set by the States as per the Action Plan for FY 2016-17, the Asset Register needs to be mandatorily maintained at GP level in the prescribed format. In this connection, the format of "Asset Register" has been shared with you vide Ministry's letter dated 09.05.2016. As per MIS, new asset register has been maintained in 1751GP (54%) in the State. You are kindly requested to expedite the process and update the required data on NREGASoft.

**v. Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT):** As a follow up to the Prime Minister's review on 9<sup>th</sup> May, 2016 on DBT under Mahatma Gandhi NREGA video conferencing were done on 16<sup>th</sup> May, 3<sup>rd</sup> June and 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2016 with the relevant personnel of your State. You would be aware completion of the Aadhaar seeding in programme database (NREGASoft) and conversion to Aadhaar based payment (ABP) of all workers having their accounts in banks has to be completed in **August 2016**. In addition, we need to minimize the PO Aadhaar verification pendency (Aadhaar yet to be verified and rejected cases) at Programme Officer level (PO login).

Accordingly, it was advised to either mobilize the concerned MGNREGA workers at the bank branch or hold special camps. As of now, there are 911117 active MGNREGA workers; out of which 877968 (96%) Aadhaar numbers have been seeded in the NREGASoft and conversion to Aadhaar based payments has been done for 657917 (72%) bank accounts only.

So far, only 2 number of consent for Aadhaar based payments has been taken; out of this only 365 (>100%) consent entry has been done against the workers. Moreover, there may be many individuals who would have applied for Aadhaar but have not received their Aadhaar numbers also need to be provided with the same.

**vi. Employment Generation:** The agreed to labor budget for the FY 2016-17 is 218.49 lakh person days (PDs) for your state. For the month of June (up to 04.07.2016), 28 lakh PDs (53 %) have been generated against the projection of 53 lakh PDs. Efforts may kindly be taken to expedite the pace of person days generation.

I seek your personal and immediate intervention in the above-mentioned critical areas. I assure you of fullest support of the Ministry of Rural Development in your endeavor towards effective implementation of MGNREGA in your State.

*Regards,*

Yours sincerely,

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