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Dear Mr. Reddy,

Date: 14.03.2017

Sub: Focus areas under MGNREGA- Performance Analysis up to February 2017

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;

1. Delay in Payment of Wages:

The Mahatma Gandhi NREG Act mandates the payment of wages within a fortnight of the date of closure of the muster roll. The Ministry has been requesting the states for timely payment of wages to the workers, who are the backbone of the programme. Despite the necessary directives to the States/ UT from time to time, the delay in wages continues to be alarming. I would like to state that, 20007 number of transactions are delayed amounting to Rs. 210 in your state. I request to take appropriate measures to ensure timely payment of the wages.

2. Release of State share:

As you are aware that the Act mandates 25% of the material expenditure to be borne by the State Government. It has been observed that there has been a shortfall in the release of MGNREGA funds. In this regard you are requested to ensure the release of the state share and upload all the details, including all the components of the state share, on NREGASoft before **15th March 2017**. I also request you to ensure submission of Annexure A & B to enable the Ministry to release the funds by **10th April 2017** in FY 2017-18.

3. Completion of Incomplete works:

I request you to complete the spill over works of FY 2015-16 before **31st May 2017** and works of FY 2016-17 before **30th June 2017**.

4. Setting up of Social Audit Unit:

The Mahatma Gandhi NREG Act provides that, states must ensure conducting social audits as per Audit of Scheme Rules 2011. In order to report the same, you are requested to ensure updation of status of social audit units and upload the social audit reports on MIS.

5. Seven Registers in Gram Panchayat Office:

Proper record maintenance is crucial to the effective implementation of any programme. The Ministry realized the need to work on simplification of maintenance of records under MGNREGA. An assessment of the overall scenario of maintenance of Registers in the country revealed that, on an average 22 registers were being maintained at the Gram Panchayat level. As per the MIS report, 54 (28 %) GPs out of a total of 190 GPs have issued the 7 registers. All States and UTs are requested to please make sure that, these seven registers are necessarily maintained at the GP level. I request you to kindly ensure that all the remaining Gram Panchayats must have 7 Registers by 30.06.2017.

In view of the above mentioned facts, I seek your personal attention to issue necessary instructions to the concerned officials for timely achievement of the targets. I also request you to send information on the above parameters. This feedback received will be crucial in improving the programme further. I assure you of full support in this endeavor in the State of Goa.

Regards,

Yours sincerely,

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