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Dear Sh. Kunal,

Sub: Focus areas under MGNREGA- Performance Analysis up to January 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. Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT):

The exercise of Aadhaar seeding into the accounts of Mahatma Gandhi NREGA has been the focus of the Ministry. The use of Aadhaar Payment Bridge System (APBS) and Aadhaar Enabled Payment System (AEPS) would help in expediting in transforming India into a less cash economy.

In line with this, the Ministry has been regularly reviewing the DBT implementation. It has also been communicated to the States that, it is desirable to have participation of all the relevant functionaries of Rural Development Department, SLBC Conveners and the State Chiefs of all the banks. The details of the meeting with SLBC may also be shared with MoRD.

In order to expedite DBT implementation, states were requested to take the below steps.

- Complete Aadhaar seeding in NREGASoft for all Active workers at the earliest.
For your state, 10525 (91.19%) workers have been seeded in NREGASoft.
- Coordinate with banks and share the Aadhaar consent forms with the LDMS at the district level, to get the Aadhaar numbers seeded in the banks' and NPCI's database.
In your state, ABP conversion of only 4187 workers (36.28%) (against total active workers) has been completed.
- Conversion of joint accounts into individual accounts of the workers (if any).
Moreover, there may be many individuals who would have applied for Aadhaar but have not received their Aadhaar numbers also need to be facilitated and enrolled under Aadhaar.

2. Job Card to all Landless Casual Manual Labourers' HH as per SECC:

The Ministry has made a provision in NREGASoft to map SECC data with the NREGASoft data w.r.t HH and individuals. The detailed guidelines/manual, was issued by the Ministry, vide the letter dated 2nd December 2016.

In this regard, as per the MIS, total households mapped for your state are nil out of 11843 number of total landless casual labour households as per SECC.

3. 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. As per the MIS report, 386 (3.51%) number of Job Cards have been verified out of a total of 11000 (as on 13.02.2017) active Job Cards.

4. Setting up of Social Audit Unit:

As mandated under Section 17(1) of MGNREGA, 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, 22 (12%) 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.

In view of the above mentioned facts, I seek your personal and immediate intervention to expedite effective implementation of the programme. I assure you of full support in this endeavor in the State of Goa.

I also, seek your response on the performance of your state on the above parameters to be sent to the Ministry before the end of the current month. This feedback will be crucial in improving the programme further.

Warm regards,

Yours sincerely,

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