

Aadhaar Based Payments. I request you to ensure that this process of ABPS Conversion is expedited and in case there is any issue with the banks which need to be taken up with Department of Financial Services, it may be shared with us.

4. Supreme Court case:

With reference to the Supreme Court case order (WP 857/2015 Swaraj Abhiyan vs UoI and others), I would like to draw your attention to two important issues- (i) Delay in payment of wages and compensation, and, (ii) Absence of Social Audit being conducted. In this regard, a meeting was conducted on 25th August 2017, in New Delhi. I would urge you to kindly take up the above issues on priority and take the necessary required actions.

5. Completion of Incomplete Works:

As on 30.10.2017, for your State, 15863 number of works were taken up since inception, out of which 11033 (70%) number of works are completed. Of the incomplete works so far, 7003 (44%) number of works were started before 31st March 2016. It is advised that these works are completed as per the timelines given.

6. Registration/ De-Registration of Accounts:

All States/ UTs have been requested to register all the agencies/ bodies receiving funds from the Centre, on PFMS for effective management and monitoring of fund flow and its utilization at various levels. In this regard, a workshop was held on 11th & 12th July 2017 and it was requested to take corrective measures for registration/ de-registration of accounts and its mapping on PFMS. We have made good deal of progress in this regard. Let us complete this exercise and freeze the number of accounts and duly register in PFMS.

7. Initiation of GeoMGNREGA Phase II:

With an aim to further enhance the transparency and accountability under Mahatma Gandhi NREGA, GeoMGNREGA Phase II has been rolled out in GIS Pioneering Districts nominated by the States, based on their site readiness both in terms of resources, connectivity and manpower preparedness. The Ministry will now undertake Geo-tagging in 3 stages: (i) Before start of the work (location), (ii) During the work, and, (iii) After the completion of the work. I request you to support the testing of GeoMGNREGA Phase II mobile application and web portal, sharing the training calendar, conduct of GeoMGNREGA training and identification of works which will be geo-tagged in Phase II. There has to be a nationwide roll out of GeoMGNREGA- Phase II from 1st November 2017. We solicit your cooperation in this regard.

8. Creating a Community Cadre of Social Audit Village Resource Persons:

As you are aware that, Mahatma Gandhi NREGA is the only programme which envisages an autonomous structure of Social Audit in all the States. In order to strengthen the process, the Ministry has decided to create a community cadre of Village Resource Persons from among the women Self Help Groups members. This exercise will be carried out through the combined efforts of State MGNREGA Department, State Social Audit Unit, State Institute of Rural Development and State Rural Livelihood Mission. I request you to extend your maximum support in ensuring proper conduct of the capacity building exercise.

9. Appointment of Ombudsperson:

Section 30, Schedule I of the Mahatma Gandhi NREGA, mandates the states to appoint an Ombudsman for each district for receiving grievances. On the basis of the representations received from State Governments, some provisions in the guidelines for appointment of Ombudsperson have been revised. The revised guidelines are shared with the States, vide letter dated 28 August 2017. I request you to kindly refer to the same and ensure filling up of vacant positions in your State, at the earliest.

10. Job Card to all Landless Manual Casual Labour (MCL) HH as per SECC-2011:

Socio-Economic Caste Census (SECC-2011) has identified 7560 households, in your state, who are dependent on Manual Casual Labour (MCL) for their livelihood. As per the MIS, 3440 (46%) households have been surveyed in your state, of which 205 households have expressed willingness to work under Mahatma Gandhi NREGA. Your State has issued 8 Job Cards to the willing households. There is a need to expedite the survey/ mapping and ensure availability of Job Cards to all the willing HHs.

11. Suggestive Framework for Citizen Information Boards and Wall Writings:

Citizen Information Boards and Wall Writings are an integral part of 'Janata Information System' for mandatory proactive disclosure of basic information to all common people and stakeholders. The Ministry has come up with a Suggestive Framework on Citizen Information Board and Wall Writings, vide letter dated 07.04.2017. In order to strengthen public disclosure of information and enhance the visibility of the programme, the Ministry has decided to collect 5 good quality photographs of Citizen Information Board, from each district, for the purpose of documentation and further dissemination. I request you kindly share these photographs at the earliest.

12. Maintenance of Case Records/ Work File:

Case Record/ Work File is a physical file maintained for each project/ work under MGNREGA. It helps in reviewing, monitoring and auditing the implementation of the project/ work during implementation stage and also after its completion. For the purpose of uniformity, the Ministry has shared an Indicative Framework. I request you to take necessary action and ensure maintenance of Case Record/ Work File for each work under MGNREGA based on this framework.

13. Popularizing 'Janmanrega' Citizen-Centric mobile app (CCMA)

Please refer to the Ministry's letter dated 17.08.2017 regarding 'Janmanrega'- Citizen-centric Mobile Application (CCMA). Beta version of this Android App is made available at the Ministry's website, MGNREGA website and Google Play. I solicit your support in popularizing the app through various fora.

In view of the above facts, I would therefore urge you to issue necessary instructions to the concerned officials to ensure better implementation of the programme. The performance on the key indicators as enlisted above is being reviewed at regular intervals. Satisfactory progress in all these indicators is an essential pre-requisite for the release of funds from time to time. An early response on the progress on above issues shall be highly appreciated. The Ministry assures you of full support in your endeavor towards improved implementation of Mahatma Gandhi NREGS.

Regards

Yours sincerely,

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