

**Government of West Bengal**  
**Department of Panchayats & Rural Development**  
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**Bidhannagar, Kolkata-700106**

**No.153/SS/DD/(21)/STARPARD/III-3(IP)/1/Part-1**

**Dated: 11/03/2020**

**From: Shri Dibyendu Das**  
**Special Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal**

**To: The District Magistrate**  
**Alipurduar / Cooch Behar / Jalpaiguri / Darjeeling (for Siliguri Mahakuma Parishad area)/Uttar Dinajpur / Dakshin Dinajpur / Malda / Murshidabad / Birbhum / Nadia / Purulia / Bankura / Paschim Medinipur / Purba Medinipur / Jhargram / Purba Bardhaman / Paschim Bardhaman / Howrah / Hooghly / North 24-Parganas / South 24-Parganas**

**Sub: Revision in Gram Panchayat Development Plan for the year 2020-21 in context with the recommendations of the 15<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission.**

**Ref: DO No. G-39011/ 2 / 2017-FD, Dated: 20th February,2020 of the Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Government of India.**

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to state that the Fifteenth Finance Commission (XV-FC) has submitted the interim report & its recommendations in respect of the Rural Local Bodies (RLBs) and the report has been accepted by the Government of India. It has been stated that the 15th Finance Commission Grants will be categorised into two components (i) Basic and (ii) Tied Grants in the ratio 50% : 50%. Out of these two components, the Tied Grant will be used for the basic services of (a) Sanitation and maintenance of open-defecation free (ODF) status, (b) supply of safe drinking water and (c) minor irrigation in the rural areas.

In this context, it is imperative that each and every Gram Panchayat would have to revisit the approved GPDP documents for the FY 2020-21.

I am therefore further directed to request you to revise the activities planned in GPDP under the Central Finance Commission Grant for ensuring at least 50% of the CFC Grant planned for activities related to drinking water, sanitation and micro irrigation, rain water harvesting & water recycling being treated as **Tied-Grant**.

The process of preparing the revised GPDP for the FY 2020-21 will be followed as per the guidelines of GPDP issued by this Department.

Following necessary steps to be taken by all the districts for revision of the GPDP for the FY 2020-21 in the PlanPlus Software **by 31/03/2020**.

**Step-I : Identification of activities related to drinking water, sanitation and micro irrigation, rain water harvesting & water recycling already have been planned under the CFC Grant. Calculate the amount of CFC grant already planned in the GPDP for these specific activities.**

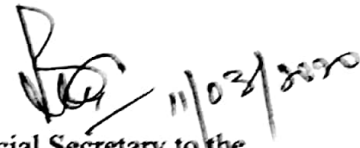
**If the amount exceeds 50% of the total CFC Grant then no revision of GPDP is required for that Gram Panchayat.**

If the amount does not exceed 50% of the total CFC Grant then GPDP revision is required and Step-II & Step-III to be followed.

**Step-II** : Prioritize the remaining activities planned under the CFC Grant and replace the low priority activities with new activities related to drinking water, sanitation and micro irrigation, rain water harvesting & water recycling to achieve at least 50% CFC allocation as **Tied Grant** with these activities.

**Step III**: After completion of the GPDP revision process, Gram Panchayats will have to approve the revised GPDP for the Financial Year 2020-21 within **31/03/2020**.

Yours faithfully,



Special Secretary to the  
Panchayats & Rural Development Department

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**Dated: 11/03/2020**

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