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GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA

PANCHAYATI RAJ DEPARTMENT

RESOLUTION

The 3rd October 2013

For smooth implementation of Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme in the State, the Government have set up a State Employment Guarantee Fund (Odisha) [hereinafter referred to as the Fund] for streamlining fund flow from State level to Districts/Blocks/Implementing Agencies. Now after careful consideration, the State Government have decided to designate MGNREGS Odisha Society—a Society registered under Societies Registration Act, 1860 and functioning under Panchayati Raj Department, Government of Odisha—as the Designated Agency to operate the Fund instead of Odisha Rural Development and Marketing Society (ORMAS) which had been notified earlier vide Resolution No. 13528—II-WE-55/2008-PR., dated the 31st March 2009. The Fund and its management shall be governed in the following manner :—

- (1) The Fund shall act as a 'Receptacle Fund' for receiving Central Share under MGNREGS.
- (2) The matching contribution of the State under MGNREGS known as 'State Share' and other miscellaneous receipts under MGNREGS shall also be credited to the Fund.
- (3) MGNREGS Odisha Society, shall be the Designated Agency to operate the Fund and to maintain all accounts. MGNREGS Odisha Society will submit the detail transaction of the Fund to the Panchayati Raj Department, Government of Odisha on monthly basis.
- (4) The Fund shall be maintained as Savings Bank Account opened by MGNREGS Odisha Society in any Scheduled Commercial Bank as per the instruction of the Panchayati Raj Department.
- (5) The Bank Account of the Fund shall be jointly operated by the Director (Special Projects), Panchayati Raj Department (who is also the Director of MGNREGS Odisha Society) and the Accounts Officer of MGNREGS Odisha Society.

- (6) Appropriate amount from the Fund shall be released to various DRDAs/Institutions/ Organisations from time to time as per need for the purpose of implementation of MGNREGS such as Programme Implementation, IEC and Capacity Building, Administrative Contingency, Social Audit, etc.
- (7) Any withdrawal/release of money from the Fund by the joint signatories mentioned above shall require prior approval of the Commissioner-*cum*-Secretary/Principal Secretary to Government, Panchayati Raj Department, Government of Odisha and shall be made by MGNREGS Odisha Society after receiving formal Sanction Order thereof issued by the Panchayati Raj Department.
- (8) Bank Interest accrued in the Fund shall be deemed as scheme money and shall be accounted for under 'Miscellaneous/Any other Receipt' head.
- (9) The Fund shall not be diverted or utilised for any purpose other than implementation of MGNREGS.
- (10) The Fund shall be annually audited by a Chartered Accountant Firm. The CAG may also undertake audit of the Fund as and when authorised by Government of India/Government of Odisha. The Central Government or the State Government may undertake separate audit of the Fund at any time if they so desire.
- (11) These conditions mentioned above may be altered/modified by the State Government in future in consonance with the MGNREG Act, the MGNREG Scheme framed thereafter and directions/instructions issued from time to time by the Government of India.
- (12) Constitution of the Fund and its management has been concurred by the Finance Department vide U. O. R. No. 190—SS-II., dated the 31st March 2008.

This supersedes Resolution No. 13528—II-WE-55/2008-PR., dated the 31st March 2009 of Panchayati Raj Department.

ORDER— Ordered that the Resolution be published in an extraordinary issue of the *Odisha Gazette* and copies thereof be supplied to Director, MGNREGS Odisha Society, SIRD Campus, UNIT-VIII, Bhubaneswar/all RDCs/all Collector-*cum*-DPCs/all Project Director, DRDAs/all Programme Office-*cum*-BDOs/Accounts Officer, MGNREGS Odisha Society/ORMAS, Bhubaneswar for necessary action.

By order of the Governor

DEORAJAN KUMAR SINGH

Commissioner-*cum*-Secretary to Government