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Planning & Economic Affairs (CPMU)Department

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From

Additional Chief Secretary to Government

To

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Sir/Madam,

Sub: PLGEA (CPMU) Dept. - Availing Flexi-Funds facility within CSS-SLSC Meeting held on 23.02.2021, 11.00 AM -Minutes forwarding of - Reg.

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of minutes of the meeting held under the chairmanship of Additional Chief Secretary & Officer on Special Duty (OSD) to Government on the subject cited above for information and necessary action.

Yours Faithfully,


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For Additional Chief Secretary to Government

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1. Special Secretary to the Chief Secretary
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4. Director, Agri.(PPM Cell) Department.
5. Commissioner for Rural Development & Chief Executive Officer, SLNA.
6. Director, Women&Child Development Department.

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Minutes of the State Level Sanctioning Committee (SLSC) meeting for Flexi-Funds within Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) held at 11.00 AM on 23/02/2021 via online.

The meeting commenced at 11.00 AM through VC under the chairmanship of Additional Chief Secretary and Officer on Special Duty (OSD) to Government. The Chair welcomed all the participants. Additional Chief Secretary, Planning & Economic Affairs, briefly explained agenda items of the meeting. Proposals for availing flexi-funds under PMKSY-WDC and Poshan Abhiyan were received respectively from Commissionerate of Rural Development and Women and Child Development Department.

These proposals were considered one by one as per the agenda of the meeting.

1. Pradhan Manthri Krishi Sinchai Yojana – Watershed Development Component (PMKSY-WDC)

Commissioner for Rural Development & Chief Executive Officer, SLNA presented the Proposal. Department of Land Resources (DoLR), Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India had introduced the flexi-fund component under IWMP (now it is PMKSY-WDC) from the financial year 2014-15 onwards.

Under IWMP (PMKSY-WDC), 83 projects were sanctioned to Kerala under 5 batches as follows:

Batch	Year	No of Projects	Present Status	Remarks
II	2010-11	26	Completed	
III	2011-12	15	Completed	
IV	2012-13	20	Ongoing	3 Projects transferred to budget
V	2013-14	10	Ongoing	2 Projects transferred to budget
VI	2014-15	12	Ongoing	9 Projects transferred to budget

The introduction of flexi fund was during 2014-15 and hence it was made applicable for Batch VI projects. Even though 12 projects were sanctioned

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during 2014-15 under Batch VI, 9 projects in the preparatory phase of implementation were transferred to State's budget and only 3 projects viz; Alappuzha - IWMP-V/2014-15 implementing by Kanjikuzhy Block Panchayat, Pathanamthitta - IWMP-IV/2014-15 implementing by Koipuram Block Panchayat and Palakkad - IWMP-IX/2014-15 implementing by Attappady Block Panchayat are now ongoing. Flexi fund provision was given in the Detailed Project Reports of Kanjikuzhy and Attappady projects. The flexi-fund component set apart for each of the project is as follows;

Sl no	Batch	Name of Project	Name of PIA	Amount
1	VI	Alappuzha IWMP-V/2014-15	Kanjikuzhy Block Panchayat	Rs. 78.72 lakh
2	VI	Palakkad IWMP-IX/2014-15	Attappady Block Panchayat	Rs. 88.19 lakh
Total				Rs.166.91lakh

(a) Kanjikuzhy project:

In Kanjikuzhy project the proposal includes Drainage Line Treatment activities in Canals passing through areas which were drastically affected during the floods of 2018 & 19. The major constraints in the treatment area are

1. High density of population, encroachment of lakes and drainage canals.
2. Lack of proper drainage line treatment annually and removal of silt at the mouth of rivers & Canals, resulting in flooding in adjacent areas.
3. The flow of water in canals is impeded resulting in stagnation of water and accelerates breeding of mosquitoes which causes malaria, filaria, brain fever etc.
4. Cultivation in adjacent areas is hindered due to poor drainage.

It is proposed to undertake drainage line treatment activities utilising flexi fund.

Decision Taken:

The Committee decided to sanction the proposal with project cost of Rs. 78.72 lakh subject to the condition that the project should be completed

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before 31st March 2021.

(b) Attappady Project:

Attappady project area is located in the rain shadow region and agriculture is the main occupation of the inhabitants. Due to physio-graphic location the area is highly drought prone, hence activities to mitigate the drought situation is undertaken under flexi fund utilisation.

The total proposal for utilisation of flexi fund for two projects is as follows:

Decision Taken:

The Committee decided to accord sanction for the above project with cost of Rs. 88.18 lakh, subject to the condition of completing the project within the allotted time frame.

2. National Nutrition Mission(POSHAN Abhiyaan)

Secretary, Social Justice & Women and Child Department informed the committee that SLSC has the authority to sanction projects under Innovation components of NNM. Secretary reported before the committee about the availability of funds under both the components.

NNM-SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURE UP TO 31st January 2021

Details	Central Share	State share	Total(Lakhs)
Fund Released	7,765.28	1,941.32	9,706.60
Expenditure	6042.23	1516.95	7559.18 (77.88%)
Balance	1723.05	424.37	2,147.42 (22.12%)

BALANCE UNDER EACH COMPONENT

Component	Available	Sanctioned	Expended	Committed	Balance of sanctioned amount	Balance of un sanctioned amount	Total balance available for further sanction	Amount available for meeting Current Year Expenses

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	A	B	C	D	E=B-C-D	F=A-B	G=E+F	H=D+G
Innovation	389.90	368.98	90.31	278.67	-	20.92	20.92	299.59
Flexi Fund	79.466	432.35	213.10	219.25		247.11	247.11	466.36

Director, WCD made a presentation about the projects placed before SLSC for sanction.

SL. No	AGENDA	DECISION TAKEN
1	<p>Sealing of Growth Monitoring Devices (GMD- Salter Scale and Digital Weighing Scale): To monitor the growth of target groups, GOI has instructed to equip anganwadis with a set of salter scale, digital weighing scale and other essential GMD.</p> <p>The charges imposed by the Legal metrology department, Govt of Kerala for the sealing of salter scale (20kg to 25Kg) is Rs. 100 per equipment and inspection cost for the same is Rs.50 unit cost. Digital weighing scale (21 kg to 200kg) is sealed at the rate of Rs.335/- per equipment and inspection cost for the same is Rs.50 unit cost. (Annexure IV).</p> <p>As per the Annexure IV the rates specified for the inspection and services charges for the equipments is mentioned below:</p>	<p>The committee observed that Legal metrology act is not applicable to Anganwadis since it does not come under trade or commerce. Therefore, Government shall issue necessary orders exempting the stamping. Meanwhile department to conduct training for the AW functionaries to inspect and calibrate the GMDs on their own. The Director can allot required funds for conducting the training.</p>

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Salter Scale (Sealing)	33115 X Rs.100= Rs 3311500	The funds thus saved shall be used for improving the nutrition levels of women and children.
Inspection and service charge for salters' scale	33115 X Rs 50 =Rs 1655750	
Weighing Scale (Mother and child)	33115 X Rs.335= Rs 11093525	
Inspection and service charge for weighing scale (Mother and child)	33115 X Rs 150 = Rs 4967250	
<p>So for sealing 33115 salter scales and digital weighing machines a total of Rs.21028025/- is needed.</p> <p>The Budget total cost of this is:Rs.21028025. (Rupees Two Crores Ten Lakhs Twenty eight Thousand and Twenty Five only) may be sanctioned to Director Women and Child Development Department, Kerala for allocating the funds to the districts through the district program officers.</p>		

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II.	Ratification of projects under flexi funds	
1.	<p>Equipment for Anemia detection for Nutrition Clinic: As per the recommendations of the 30th ICDS Mission executive committee meeting conducted on 18.11.2020 and CM's 10 point program, it was decided to conduct anemia evaluation through Nutrition Clinics in 152 blocks and 6 corporations set up across Kerala as a part of Sampushta Keralam. (Annexure V). For conducting this, in these 158 clinics, 158 haemometers and 316(1packet includes 50 strips) packets of haemometer test strips are needed. The quote received from Kerala Medical Services Corporation Ltd Karunya Pharmacy (Annexure VI) the unit cost for haemometer was Rs.1850 and Rs.900/packet for haemometer test strips.</p> <p>The Budget total cost of this is: Rs.6,79,929/-(Rupees Six Lakhs Seventy Nine Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty Nine only) inclusive of GST and handling charges incurred for the procurement of the equipments may be approved to Kerala Medical Services Corporation Ltd-Karunya Pharmacy, Thiruvananthapuram. The said expense incurred may be ratified.</p>	Ratified.

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2.	<p>Digital Weighing scale and Stadiometer for Nutrition Clinic: The setting up of Nutrition Clinics in 152 blocks and 6 corporations was established across Kerala, an innovative project under Sampushta Keralam (Annexure VII). For conducting nutritional assessment of the beneficiaries there was a need for 158 digital weighing scales and 158 stadiometer. The quote received from Kerala Medical Services Corporation Ltd Karunya Pharmacy (Annexure VIII) was Rs.1706 unit cost for digital weighing scale and Rs.468 unit cost for stadiometer.</p> <p>The Budget total cost of this is: Rs.405191 (Rupees Four Lakhs Five Thousand One Hundred and Ninety one only) inclusive of GST and handling charges incurred for the procurement of the equipments may be approved to Kerala Medical Services Corporation Ltd- Karunya Pharmacy, Thiruvananthapuram. The said expense incurred may be ratified.</p>	Ratified.
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3.	<p>Transportation of Growth Monitoring Devices: To monitor the growth of target groups, GOI has instructed to equip anganwadies with growth monitoring devices. Vide ref 2nd SLSC minutes (Annexure IX) the amount sanctioned for GMD transportation is Rs.50000/District and Rs.5000/Block. Due to the huge number of devices to be transported in Malappuram District from storage location to the various block offices in the district an additional amount of Rs 35100/- incurred in terms of transport. Hence the additional expense of Rs.35100/ incurred may be ratified.</p>	Ratified.
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<p>III.</p>	<p>Ratification of projects under innovation funds</p>	<p>Ratified</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p>“One fruit a day”- Pazhakooda Project for the inmates of children’s homes/ mahila mandhiram/after care homes/ rescue homes: One of the innovations under Sampushta Keralam is “PAZHAKOODA”. This aims at supporting the young children in reviving their nutritional status with a dual benefit of inculcating the habit of consumption of fruits as a part of daily diet. Locally available nutritious fruits are to be supplied to the children’s homes, mahila mandirams and rescue homes in Kerala (Annexure X). Vide ref G.o (Rt) 567/2020/SJD dated 15/10/2020 (Annexure XI) accorded sanction to include Thalasseri after care homes for boys under women child development department which was previously under social justice department. Under this circumstance, an additional amount of Rs.9000 incurred may be ratified.</p>	

The Chair directed all departments implementing CSS to effectively utilize the central funds. Issues if any, in the fund flow shall be taken up with Additional Chief Secretary, Finance without any delay.

The meeting came to a close at 11.36 AM.

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ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY