

No. F. 12-186/2018-BTI
Government of India
Ministry of Culture
BTI Section

2nd Floor, Puratatav Bhavan, D Block
INA, GPO Complex, New Delhi-23,
Dated: 13-3-2019


To
The Pay & Accounts Officer (Seckt)
Pay & Accounts Office,
Ministry of Culture,
Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi.

Subject: - **Release of Grant-in-aid to organizations of Assam, Sikkim & Tripura under the scheme of Development of Buddhist/Tibetan Culture & Art for the financial year 2018-19 as recommended in Expert Advisory Committee Meeting held on 27-12-2018 at Puratatav Bhawan.**

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India for the grant of **Rs.71,00,000/- (Rupees seventy one lakhs only) and to release 1st instalment (50% of sanctioned amount) worth Rs.35,50,000/- (Rupees thirty five lakhs fifty thousand only)** non recurring grant for the year 2018-19 for NER Activities to the following organizations for their projects as per details are given below:

S. No	Name of the Organization	Details of the proposal				Reference No.	Organization's share
Assam							
1.	Guwahati Buddha Vihara Samity, Bamunimaidan, Guwahati-781021	Sl. No.	Activities	Amount Recommended	50% amount released	No. 12-30/2019-BTI	10% share of the organization
		i.	Maintenance (Salary of staff, Off. Exp/Misc. exp)	3,00,000	1,50,000		
			Total:	3,00,000	1,50,000		
2.	Dharmachakra Buddha Bihar, Golai No.1, PO Digboi dist-Tinsukia, Assam	Sl. No	Activities	Amount Recommended	50% amount released	No. 12-31/2019-BTI	
		i.	Maintenance (Salary of staff, Off. Exp/Misc. exp)	3,00,000	1,50,000		
			Total	3,00,000	1,50,000		
Sikkim							
3.	Denzong Culture Heritage Foundation, Ravangla, Distt. Namchi, South Sikkim	Sl No	Activities	Amount Recommended	50% amount released	No. 12-32/2019-BTI	
		i.	Maintenance (Salary of staff, Off./ Misc. exp)	1,00,000	50,000		
		ii.	Purchase of books, documentation and cataloguing relating to Buddhism	1,00,000	50,000		
		iii.	Holding of special courses on promotion of Buddhist/Tibetan Art and Culture	1,00,000	50,000		
		iv.	Salary of teachers for monastic school	1,00,000	50,000		
			Total	4,00,000	2,00,000		
Tripura							
4.	Mahabodhi Society, P.O. Suknachari, P.S. Silachari, Karbook, Distt. Gomati, Tripura-799104	Sl No	Activities	Amount Recommended	50% amount released	No. 12-33/2019-BTI	
		i.	Maintenance (Salary of staff, Off. Exp/ Misc. exp)	3,00,000	1,50,000		
		ii.	Purchase of books, documentation and cataloguing relating to Buddhism	1,00,000	50,000		
		iii.	Holding of special courses on promotion of Buddhist /Tibetan Art and Culture	2,00,000	1,00,000		
		iv.	Salary of teachers for monastic school	4,00,000	2,00,000		
			Total	10,00,000	5,00,000		



Rajan
Joint Secretary
Ministry of Culture
New Delhi

5.	Dhamma Dipa Foundation, Manu Bankul, Sabroom, South Tripura	SI No	Activities	Amount Recommended	50% amount released	No. 12-34/2019-BTI	
		i.	Maintenance (Salary of staff, Off. Exp/ Misc. exp)	3,00,000	1,50,000		
		ii.	Purchase of books, documentation and cataloguing relating to Buddhism	2,00,000	1,00,000		
		iii.	Award of scholarships to monk/nuns students	3,00,000	1,50,000		
		iv.	Holding of special courses on promotion of Buddhist/ Tibetan Art and Culture	2,00,000	1,00,000		
		v.	Audio-visual recording/ documentation / archiving of the traditional materials relating to Buddhist art and culture for preservation and dissemination	2,00,000	1,00,000		
		vi.	IT up gradation and IT enabled teaching/ training aids for monastic/ nunnery school	3,00,000	1,50,000		
		vii.	Salary of teachers for monastic school	4,00,000	2,00,000		
			Total	19,00,000	9,50,000		
6.	Bahujana Hitaya Education Trust, P.O. Bishnupur, Manu Bankul, Sabroom, South Tripura-799143	SI No	Activities	Amount Recommended	50% amount released	No. 12-35/2019-BTI	
		i.	Maintenance (Salary of staff, Off./ Misc. exp)	400000	2,00,000		
		ii.	Purchase of books, documentation and cataloguing relating to Buddhism	200000	1,00,000		
		iii.	Award of scholarships to monk/ nuns students	200000	1,00,000		
		iv.	Holding of special courses on promotion of Buddhist/ Tibetan Art and Culture	200000	1,00,000		
		v.	Audio-visual recording/ documentation / archiving of the traditional materials relating to Buddhist art and culture for preservation and dissemination	200000	1,00,000		
		vi.	Salary of teachers for monastic school	300000	1,50,000		
			Total	1500000	7,50,000		
7.	Mahabodhi Society, Chiching Chara, Sarat Karbari Para, P.O. Shiv Bari Bazar-799275, P.S. Manu, Distt. Dhalai, Tripura	SI No	Activities	Amount Recommended	50% amount released	No. 12-36/2019-BTI	
		i.	Maintenance (Salary of staff, Off./ Misc. exp)	400000	2,00,000		
		ii.	Purchase of books, documentation and cataloguing relating to Buddhism	100000	50,000		
		iii.	Award of scholarships to monk/nuns students	200000	1,00,000		
		iv.	Holding of special courses on promotion of Buddhist/Tibetan Art and Culture	200000	1,00,000		
		v.	IT up gradation and IT enabled teaching/ training aids for monastic/ nunnery school	100000	50,000		
		vi.	Salary of teachers for monastic school	200000	1,00,000		
		vii.	Construction/ Repairs/ Extension with toilet and drinking water for Class Rooms, School Buildings, Hostels and Training Centres which are focused on Buddhist/ Tibetan Art and Culture as well as skill development of traditional craft.	500000	2,50,000		
			Total	1700000	8,50,000		

3. The amount of the grant will be drawn by the Drawing and Disbursing Officer (Grants), Ministry of Culture and paid to the Organization by means of RTGS in its favour.

ABajana
Under Secretary
Ministry of Culture
New Delhi

4. The expenditure is debitable under this Head i.e Demand No. 18- Ministry of Culture Art & Culture Major Head '2205' – Art & Culture –Minor Head 00.102 – Promotion of Art & Culture – 11- Kala Sanskriti Vikas Yojna -11.01- Schemes and Mission - 11.01.31 –Grant-in-aid General 2018-19 .
5. The grantee institution is situated in Accounts Circle of **A.G of the concerned states** and a copy of this letter is being sent to them.
6. The grant is non-recurring in nature and it is being released after fulfilling the conditions prescribed in GFR.
7. No Utilization Certificate and unspent balance of earlier grant is pending.
8. It is certified that the pattern of assistance under the Scheme of Financial Assistance for the development of Himalayan Arts has the approval of the Ministry of Finance, Government of India and that this sanction is being issued in conformity with the rules and principles of the Scheme as approved by the Ministry of Finance.
9. The requisite bank authorization for release of fund given by the said organization is attached. The payment may be made through Electronic Transfer.
- 9.1 The Bond in original received from the organization has been found in order and placed in the relevant file.
- 9.2 The detailed report CD/DVD is to be uploaded on youtube and link is to be forwarded to Ministry of Culture.
10. No other bill for the same purpose has been paid before to the grantee
11. The grant is subject to the conditions mentioned below:
- The Grantee shall maintain:-
 - Subsidiary accounts of the grants-in-aid received from the Government.
 - Cash book Registers in hand written bound books duly machine numbered.
 - Grant-in-aid Register for the grant received from the Government and other agencies.
 - Separate ledgers for each item of expenditure like construction of civil work etc.
 - The assets acquired wholly or substantially out of Government grant except those declared as obsolete and unserviceable or condemned as per the procedure laid down in the GFR rules shall not be disposed of without the prior approval of the Ministry.
 - The grantee shall not divert the grant and entrust execution of the scheme of work concerned to another organization and shall abide by the terms and conditions of the grant.
 - If the grantee fails to utilize the grant for the purpose for which the same has been sanctioned, the grantee will be required to refund the entire amount with interest thereon @ 10% per annum.
 - The accounts of the grantee Institution/Organization shall be open to inspection by the sanctioning authority and audit, both by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India under the provision of CAG (DPC) Act, 1971 and internal audit by the Principal Accounts Officer of the Ministry or Department, whenever the institution or organization is called upon to do so.
 - The balance 50% grant will be released subject to submission of the following documents within 12 months from closing of the financial year and then evaluation report of the work done and when such documents are not received within the prescribed time the Ministry will be at liberty to blacklist this institution from any future financial assistance.
 - Utilization Certificate in GFR 2017 (GFR12 A format).
 - Complete Audited Accounts showing (i) income & expenditure (ii) receipt & payment (iii) assets & liabilities accounts certified by Chartered Accountant for the whole amount of the grant sanctioned vide para one above alongwith one third share of the grantee. The audited accounts should also reflect the receipts and payments from all sources of the organization.
 - Performance cum Achievement Report (Format enclosed)
 - Project Report duly bound alongwith CDs/DVDs (3 Sets). One set to be sent to State Government.
 - The Audio-Visual documentation is to be done in HD form.
 - The UC should also disclose whether the specified quantified and qualitative targets that should have been reached against the amount utilized were in fact reached and if not the reasons therefore.
 - Unspent balance, if any to be surrendered to the Govt. without any delay.
 - The grantee organization shall organize two activities (viz functions, lecture, seminar, workshop, exhibition training etc.) in any of the school in their vicinity. A certificate from the Principal of the concerned school would be a mandatory requirement for release of 2nd installment. In case of Cultural Shows, the number of artists participated may also be mentioned in the certificate.
 - The grantee organization are requested to maintain cleanliness in their office premises as well as the place where seminars, research, worships, festivals and exhibitions etc. are organized by them and to promote and propagate awareness about Swachh Bharat among the people.


Under Secretary
Ministry of Culture,
New Delhi

- xi) The salary/Honorarium if any, involved implementation of the project shall be paid through cheque/RTGS/NEFT.
- xii) The organization will not obtain grant for the same purpose/project from any other source, indicating Government sources. In case, it receives grant for the same project from other sources also, the same will be intimated to Ministry of Culture immediately after receipt with proper reference.
- xiii) That if the Government is not satisfied with the progress of the project or considers that the guidelines of the scheme, terms & conditions of the sanction, etc are being violated, it reserves the right to terminate the Grant-in-aid with immediate effect and also take such other actions as it deems fit with or without prior notice.
- xiv) The organization shall appropriately display the boards that should be erected at the project site indicating that the organisation is running under the aegis of Ministry of Culture, Government of India.
- xv) The organization shall abide by all the aforesaid terms & conditions, guidelines of the scheme, provisions of GFRs, and any subsequent revision/changes therein.
- xvi) That if any agency where the progress report is sent for evaluation/monitoring, reports that works is not satisfactory and further release of grant is not recommended the grant-in-aid sanctioned as 1st installment shall be recovered in full;
- xvii) In compliance with O.M No 48(06)/PF-II/2016 dated 12.09.2017 issued by Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance and Rule 230 of General Financial Rules 2017, the released amount of grant shall be further paid/released/transferred by the grantee organization (agency) to the vendor(s)/beneficiary(ies), in the process of utilizing the grant for the purpose for which grant has been sanctioned, by ensuring its registration on Public Financial Management System (PFMS) portal of Ministry of Finance (<http://pfms.nic.in>) and creating Maker(Operator), Checker(Approver) and vendor(s)/beneficiary(ies) in PFMS as also entering necessary details regarding opening balance of the organization, filing expenditure etc. in EAT (Expenditure-Advance-Transfer) module. It is made clear that release of next year grant shall only be made on the basis of balances available in PMFS as per EAT module data for the agency (grantee organization) receiving grants under Central Sector Schemes. As such the grantee organization (agency) is mandatorily required to ensure its registration on Public Financial Management System (PFMS) portal of Ministry of Finance (<http://pfms.nic.in>) and creating Maker(Operator), Checker(Approver) and vendor(s)/beneficiary(ies) in PFMS as also entering necessary details regarding opening balance of the agency/organization so that further payments to the vendor(s)/beneficiary(ies) as stated above are made by the organization through PFMS in their Aadhaar seeded Bank Account.

12. This issues with the concurrence of IFD vide their Dy. No.38286/IFD/2019 dated 11-2-2019. Fund is available as per PFMS Website.

13. The amount has been entered in Grant-in-aid register at Sl.No.254-260 Dated 13-3-2019.

Yours faithfully,


(Manoj Rajan)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
Telefax. No. 24642158

Under Secretary
Ministry of Culture
New Delhi

Copy for information and necessary action to: -

1. **The Secretary/President of the above organizations as mentioned in para 1.**
2. The Secretary (C), Deptt of Culture, Concerned Govt.
3. The Drawing and Disbursing Officer (Grant-in-aid), Ministry of Culture, New Delhi
5. Accountant General, **A.G of the concerned states.**
6. Sanction Folder