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Government of India
Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation
Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin)

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Date: 29th March, 2016

To,

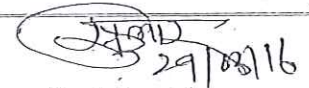
The Principal Secretary /Secretary,
(In-charge of Rural Sanitation)
All States / UTs

Sub: Regarding provision of toilets in Anganwadi centers.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith the D.O. letter No.11/145/2015-CD-I dated 23rd March,2016, issued jointly by the Secretaries of Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation, Ministry of Panchayati Raj and Ministry of Women & Child Development, for information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully,



(Sunil Kumar)

Under Secretary (SBM)

T.C. No. 24369654

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D.O.No. 11/145/2015-CD.I
23rd March, 2016

Dear Shri Kundra

Please refer to the circular No.N-18011/17/2015-FD dated 18th March, 2016 issued by the Ministry of Panchayati Raj suggesting a special priority for construction and repair of toilets in anganwadis utilizing the grant of the Fourteenth Finance Commission (copy enclosed).

2. As per the revised guidelines for construction of Anganwadi Centres converging MGNREGS with ICDS, 4 lakh buildings are to be constructed in phases by 2019 as follows:-

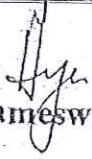
- In 200 High Burden Districts in first year;
- In second year, another 200 districts covering the NE States, Himalayan States and those States not covered in the first year;
- 50% of remaining districts in third year; and
- Remaining districts in fourth year.

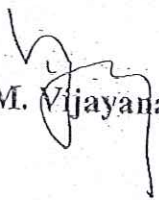
3. Under MGNREGA, expenditure up to Rs.5 lakhs will be allowed for construction of an AWC building. Beyond this, the expenditure will be borne from the ICDS Scheme of the MWCD, including finishing of the building consisting of flooring, painting, plumbing, electrification and wood work etc., as a separate work. The ICDS funds for construction of AWC buildings to the extent of Rs. 2 Lakh per unit will be released by the Central Government in two instalments in the prescribed cost sharing ratio.


4. Under the aforementioned guidelines, the total land areas of the site for construction of AWC building should be 1500- 2000 sq. ft. which should cover at least 600 sq. ft. of built-up area, boundary wall, kitchen garden, play area, etc. The AWC buildings shall be model buildings, using eco-friendly materials, equipped with safe drinking water, child friendly with all relevant infrastructure, separate sitting room for children/women, separate kitchen, store for storing food items, child friendly toilets and space for playing of children.
5. To the extent possible toilets in the new anganwadis should be constructed by the Gram Panchayats using Fourteenth Finance Commission grants or their own funds. Also the periodic maintenance of the toilets should also be entrusted to the Gram Panchayats.
6. For this to be effective, the State has to delineate the roles and responsibilities and powers and authority of Gram Panchayats in the running of anganwadis and include this in their training programmes. This may be done jointly by the Department of Panchayati Raj and Women and Child Development of the State.
7. Since all this requires a great deal of coordination, may I request you to hold a meeting of Secretaries in-charge of Women and Child Development, Rural Development, Sanitation and Panchayati Raj and work out the operational plan.

With regards

Yours sincerely


Parameswaran Iyer


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Copy to: Principal Secretaries/Secretaries in charge of WCD, Rural Development, Drinking Water & Sanitation and Panchayati Raj in all States/UTs.

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Ministry of Panchayati Raj

BY SPEED POST/FAX

11th Floor, Jeevan Prakash Building,
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Dated March 18, 2016

To
The Principal Secretary,
Panchayati Raj Department,
All States (as per list attached).

Subject: Provision of water supply and sanitation in anganwadis and schools using
Fourteenth Finance Commission (FFC) Grants - reg.

Sir/ Madam,


I am directed to say that States have issued detailed guidelines on the preparation of a Gram Panchayat Development Plans converging resources over which the Gram Panchayats have command. These resources primarily include grants of the Fourteenth Finance Commission, MGNREGA and Swachh Bharat Mission. The Fourteenth Finance Commission has accorded priority to provision of basic services in the utilisation of its grants with primacy given to water supply and sanitation.

2. There are a few activities related to water supply and sanitation that are critical from the point of view of their impact on the health of children and also because there is no specific schemes to address them. Some of these are:-

- 1) Construction of toilets in schools and baby-friendly toilets in anganwadis and provision of drinking water supply systems for these institutions as per prescribed norms.
- 2) Filling up of gaps in provisions of toilets where the existing infrastructure falls short of the norms in these institutions.
- 3) Rehabilitation of existing toilets and drinking water systems in schools and anganwadis if they are in need of repairs.
- 4) Regular repair of the toilets and drinking water systems in schools and anganwadis.

3. ~~The flexibility in usage of FFC funds lies with the Gram Panchayats. However, in view of the importance of the above-mentioned activities, it is suggested that suitable instructions may be given to the Gram Panchayats in this respect and the importance of this may be included as a special item in their capacity building programmes. This issue was also discussed in the meeting of the Principal Secretaries of the State Panchayati Raj Department on October 29-30, 2015 and it was decided that States could undertake construction of toilets and water supply in anganwadis utilising the FFC grants.~~

Yours faithfully,


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1. Ministry of Women & Child Development, Shastri bhawan, New Delhi w.r.t D.O. letter No. 19-3/2004-CD-I dated 1.4.2015
2. Department of School Education & Literacy, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi w.r.t. D.O. letter No. 27-97/2015-EE.16 dated 2.11.2015
3. PPS to SPR