GOVERNEMENT OF ASSAM FINANCE (ECONOMIC AFFAIRS) DEPARTMENT

No.FEA (SFC) 171/2010/Pt/271

Dated Dispur August 13, 2013

To:

The Secretary, Government of India, Ministry of Panchayati Raj, 11th Floor, LIC-Jeevan Prakash Building, K.G. Marg, New Delhi – 110 001.

Subject: 13th Finance Commission Performance Grant for Local Bodies -Compliance of Conditions.

Sir,

In inviting a reference to the subject quoted above, I am directed to furnish information, along with requisite certificates/documents in compliance with conditions for drawal of Performance Grant as per Annexure-VI.

You are requested to kindly consider the matter and release the first instalment of Performance Grant for 2013-14 to Assam.

Yours faithfully,

Commissioner and Secretary Finance Department.

Memo. No.FEA (SFC) 171/2010/Pt/271-A

Dated Dispur August 13, 2013

Copy to the Director (FCD), Government of India, Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure, Finance Commission Division, Block-11, 5th Floor, CGO Complex, Lodi Road, New Delhi -110003.

By order etc,

Commissioner and Secretary

Finance Department.

ANNEXURE-VI

INFORMATION REGARDING COMPLIANACE OF CONDITIONS FOR DRAWAL OF PERFORMANCE BASED GRANT FOR LOCAL BODIES UNDER THE THIRTEENTH FINANCE COMMISSION (2011-12 TO 2014-15) – AS ON MARCH 31, 2013.

Conditions	Corresponding guidelines	paras	in	Status of Compliance (Documents/Certificates to be enclosed wherever required in support of the compliance.
1. General Conditions	Paras 6.1 and 6.2			6.1 Panchayats and ULBs exist in Assam as per the provisions of Articles 243B and 243 C and 243Q and 243R of the Constitution respectively. Elected bodies exist in PRIs and ULBs in Assam. 6.2 Certificate against Ist instalment of Performance Grant of 2012-13 regarding transfer of fund to local bodies has been sent vide our letter No.FEA(SFC).45/2011/296 dt 12.03.2013 and 2 nd instalment of Perfromance Grant of 2012-13 for PRIs has already been transferred. Certificate to this effect is being sent shortly.
2. Finance, Accounts and Budget	Paras 6.4.2 & 6.4	1.3.		6.4.2 : Supplement to Budget Documents for PRIs and ULBs for 2013-14 is furnished at Annexure-I.
3. Audit of PRIs/ULBs	Para 6.4.4			Annexure-I. 6.4.3: Model Accounting System (PRIYA Soft) developed by Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Government of India has been implemented by Panchayat & Rural Development Department, Government of Assam. Certificate to this effect is furnished at Annexure-II. C&AG of India's prescribed eight data based formats have been adopted and implemented by Panchayat & Rural Development Department of Government of Assam in pursuance of Government of India's letter No.11019/704/08- Pol-2 dtd.14/05/2011. Certification in this respect is furnished at Annexure-II. Government of Assam has
3. Audit of PRIs/ULBs	Para 6.4.4			made entrustment of Technical Guidance & Supervision (TGS) of PRIs and ULBs to CA&G vide letter No.FEA(SFC) 66/2009/164 dated 03/05/2011. There is no provision in the
				Assam Panchayat Act, 1994

		and Assam Municipal Act,
		1956 for placement of CAG's
		Annual Technical Inspection
		Report on local bodies and
		Annual Report of the Director
		of Audit (Local Fund) on local
		bodies before the State
		Legislature. State Government
		laid down Audit Report of
		CAG on Local Bodies for the
		year 2011-12 before the State
		Legislature on 19 th July, 2013.
		In this connection, certification
		from the Principal Accountant
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		General, Assam is furnished at
		Annexure-III.
4. Ombudsman	Para 6.4.5	State Lok Ayukta under the
		Assam Lok Ayukta and Up-
		Ayukta Act, 1985 have
		covered the functionaries of
		Local Bodies for both General
		Areas and Sixth Schedule Areas
		for investigation into the
		complaints of corruption and
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		functionaries of local bodies,
		both elected members and
		officials and recommend
		suitable action. In this respect,
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		persons eligible for appointment as members of the State Finance Commission consistent with Article 243 I (2) of the Constitution. The relevant Act has been furnished at Annexure-IV .
7. Levy of Property Tax	Para 6.4.8	As per Section 28, 57 & 95 of Assam Panchayat Act 1994, provision has been made to levy taxes on the Houses, Cinema Halls, Brick Klins, Saw Mills etc. which has been implemented in the PRIs. Certification in this respect is furnished at Annexure – II.

Special Areas Performance Grant for Sixth Schedule Areas.

Conditions	Corresponding paras in guidelines	Status of Compliance (Documents/Certificates to be enclosed wherever required in support of the compliance.
1. Audit	6.5.1 (i)	Certification from the C&AG is being furnished shortly
2. Ombudsman	6.5.1 (iii)	The Assam Lokayukta and Upa-Lokayuktas Act, 1985 (With Amendments) also covers the 6th Schedule Areas.
3. Transfer of Funds	6.5.1 (iv)	State Government transfer the funds of 13 th Finance Commission for local bodies under Sixth Schedule Areas to the Principal Secretaries of three Sixth Schedule Areas in the State for the local bodies on receipt of funds from the Government of India.

COMMISSIONER & SECRETARY, GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM, FINANCE DEPARTMENT.