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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION
NORTH EASTERN COUNCIL SECRETARIAT
NONGRIM HILLS: SHILLONG – 793003

FTS-9177/2021

Dated the Shillong, 29th December, 2020

Pay & Accounts Officer (NEC),
NEC Secretariat, Nongrim Hills,
Shillong, Meghalaya – 793003.

Sub: Administrative Approval for “Promotion of Organic Plantation of Khasi Mandarin Orange in Meghalaya” for the financial year 2020-21.

1. Secretary, NEC in exercise of the financial power authorized by the Government of India, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region vide their letter No.F.No.4/1/2010- DoNER(NEC) dated 07th September, 2012 has conveyed sanction of the President of India for the Administrative Approval of Rs. 781.00 lakh (Rupees Seven Crore and Eighty One Lakh) only towards the project “Promotion of Organic Plantation of Khasi Mandarin Orange in Meghalaya” implemented by “Directorate of Horticulture, Government of Meghalaya”. The details break-up of the estimate and other terms and conditions are indicated in Annexure – I.
2. The General Financial Rules, 2017 (GFR, 2017) and sub sequent amendments /instructions/ orders which the Ministry of Finance, Government of India may issue from time to time must be strictly followed during the implementation of this project.
3. The subsequent installments would be released by NEC on receipt Utilization Certificates in Form GFR 12-A for the funds released by NEC as well as the Physical & Financial Progress Report. Audited statements of accounts are required to be submitted by the implementing agency before issue of the installment.
4. Implementing agency will furnish the Utilization Certificates in Form GFR 12-A for the funds released by NEC duly countersigned by the authorized signatory.
5. Immediately after funds have been placed at the disposal of the implementing Agency, a quarterly work plan/ action plan/ schedule of activities based on the approved DPR should be drawn up and submitted to the concerned Adviser/ Director of NEC Secretariat, Shillong and the progress of implementation should also be closely monitored on a quarterly basis at the highest level of the Department/ State Government concerned. Both financial and physical Quarterly Progress Report (QPR) along with photographs at different stages of implementation should also be regularly submitted at the end of each quarter.
6. Physical Inspection of the project as applicable shall be conducted before release of last installment or at any stage as per NEC Guidelines.
7. GPS location viz. latitude and longitude coordinates of the project site/sites should be furnished by the implementing agency to the NEC office.
8. At the project site, a board should be erected displaying the fact that the project has been supported by NEC.

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9. The project will have the following Objectives/Output-Outcomes:

To make available to the farmers good quality planting materials, to promote scientific cultivation of Khasi Mandarin with Good Agriculture Practices (GAP), Orange being the traditional crop of the State has shown very good performance in the past but due to citrus decline area under the crop is declining in recent times for several reasons, to provide facilities for open auction to promote transparent price discovery system to facilitate better earning to the farmers, to generate livelihood opportunity for the rural communities through organized plantation with an aim to attract investors as well as to enhance generation to the State, to boost livelihood generation and value enhancements through organized marketing and to go global with India signing a deal for export to other countries, the variety grown in the State, Khasi Mandarin (Citrus reticulata), which has Geographical Indication (GI) registry, is considered unique for its high sugar content that makes it suitable for value addition like concentrates and packed ready-to-drink juice.

10. "Directorate of Horticulture, Government of Meghalaya" will be completely responsible for the proper implementation of the project in regard to the timely implementation and the executional cost as per the approved project.

11. The expenditure involved will be met from within the sanctioned budget grant of the Ministry under Demand No. 22, Major Head 2552, Scheme of North Eastern Council (ST Component), 00.796.01, (Object Head) - 00.31 Grants-in-aid General.

12. This issue with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Wing vide their Dy. No. 143
Dated: 16/11/2020.

Yours faithfully



(Gopal Chetri)
Adviser (IFC & WSM)
L/O Adviser (Horticulture)

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Dated the Shillong, 28th December, 2020

Copy to:

1. Secretary to the Govt. of India, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region, Vigyan Bhawan Annexe, Maulana Azad Road, New Delhi -110011.
2. Secretary to the Govt. of India, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare, Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi.
3. Deputy Adviser (NE), NITI Aayog, NITI Aayog Bhavan, Sansad Marg, New Delhi - 110001.
4. Controller of Accounts/Principal Accounts Officer (Accounts), Ministry of DoNER, 5th Floor, E-Block, GPO Complex, INA, New Delhi- 110023.
5. Chief Secretary, Govt. of Meghalaya, Shillong.
6. The Secretary, Finance Department, Govt. of Meghalaya, Shillong.
7. The Secretary, Planning Department, Govt. of Meghalaya, Shillong.
8. The Director, Department of Horticulture, Govt. of Meghalaya.
9. Accountant General (A&E), Meghalaya, Shillong.
10. Account General (Audit), Meghalaya, Shillong - 1.
11. Planning Adviser, NEC Secretariat, Shillong.
12. Financial Adviser, NEC Secretariat, Shillong.

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