

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA Abstract

Finance Department –Legislative Assembly Constituency-Asset Development Scheme (LAC-ADS) - Execution of works through Accredited Agencies - Guidelines for payment of bills – Orders Issued – Reg.

FINANCE (NODAL CENTRE - B) DEPARTMENT

GO(P) No.213/2015/Fin

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 05.06.2015

Read:- 1) GO(P) No. 332/2012/Fin dated 11.06.2012.

- 2) Circular No. 54/2014/Fin dated 3.6.2014.
- 3) GO(P) No. 304/2014/Fin dated 21.7.2014.
- 4) GO(P) No. 47/2015/Fin dated 21.01.2015.

ORDER

LAC-AD Scheme is a unique type of scheme in which capital works selected by the MLAs are executed at specific places observing norms and procedures laid down in GO read as 1st paper above. MLAs generally expect that the works selected by them will be completed within their tenure as legislatures.

- 2. A good number of works sanctioned under LAC-ADS and coming under the purview of PWD or LSGD are being entrusted to the Accredited Agencies by MLAs for the sake of speedy implementation. Government vide the Circular 2nd cited have clarified that works under LAC-ADS which are executed through accredited agencies should be treated as deposit works. As per the GO read as 3rd paper above work bills pertaining to these agencies will also be cleared on the basis of state wide seniority of pending bills as in the case of works executed through regular stream.
- 3. A number of complaints have been received from MLAs regarding delay in fund deposit by Government Departments and executing agreement with Departments leading to slow implementation of sanctioned projects. It is therefore observed that several impediments causes undue delay in payments of such works.

- 4. Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to de-link the Accredited Agencies from the state wide seniority of payments being followed pertaining to the works under LAC-ADS. The following guidelines are issued in this regard facilitating payments to the work bills.
- i) After execution of a project under LAC-ADS by an accredited agency on behalf of a Government Department or for an Agency/Autonomous body etc., the Administrative Department(AD)/Head of the Department)(HoD) shall as the case may be, draw and disburse necessary fund to the Accredited Agency on the strength of allotment order issued from Finance Department. For this purpose the AD/ HoD shall obtain and forward requisition for allotment obtained from agencies on a monthly basis to Finance Department.
- ii) Finance Department after examining the requirement may issue allotment order to the AD/HoD by debiting the expenditure to the functional H/A 5475-00-800-91 LAC-ADS.
- iii) AD/HoD shall draw and disburse the allotted fund to the agency and keep accounts in separate Registers. Statutory deductions as per the work bills prepared by the Agency shall be made by the Agency as per the existing practice.
- iv) The AD/HoD will maintain the account and reconcile the expenditure booked in treasury and figure booked by the AG and forward reconciliation statement to Finance Department on a monthly basis, ie., before 10th of every succeeding month.
- v) The present system of fund deposit followed by LSGD to the Accredited Agencies as stipulated in Circular No. 54/2014/Fin dated 03.06.2014 shall be continued.
- vi) The Department/Agency/Autonomous Body shall execute agreement with the Accredited Agency concerned and shall monitor the progress of the work periodically by a High level officer in the Department till it is handed over to the beneficiary department.
- vii) The AD/HoD shall settle the final bill of the Agency after completing the projects as per the requirement and furnish a completion certificate obtained from the Agency to Finance Department.
- viii) Stipulations contained in this order are applicable to those category of works only if no advance/part payments have been effected by the Agency till date.

ix) While recommending part/final payment, the Accredited Agency shall obtain and forward a certificate from the PWD buildings Division concerned that 'Payment of the work (Name of the work) has not been/will not be effected through Letter of Credit or any other mode of payment'.

By Order of the Governor Dr. K.M.ABRAHAM IAS Additional Chief Secretary (Finance)

To

All Members of Legislative Assembly.

The Principal Accountant General (A&E), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.

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The Accountant General (E&RSA), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.

All Principal Secretaries/Secretaries to Government.

All Heads of Departments.

All District Collectors.

The Director of Treasuries.

The Director of Public Relations.

To All District Treasury Officers.

The Principal Secretary to the Chief Minister.

The Private Secretary to the Speaker.

The Private Secretary to the Deputy Speaker.

The Private Secretaries to all Ministers.

All Accredited Agencies.

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