IAY Guidelines for 1997-98 communicated

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CIRCULAR

Sub: IAY - 1997-98 - Adhoc release of first installment - Guidelines Communicated

Ref : 1) Letter No.H. 11015/22/97-RH/10, GOI (Ministry of Rural Areas and Employment)

dated: 07.05.97

2) DRD's Circular No.74549/96/JVVT -1, dated: 31.03.97
3) DRD's Circular No.29640/96/JVVT -2, dated: 07.12.96
4) DRD's Circular No.39022/96/Scheme -1, dated: 17.01.97

The attention of the Collectors and Projects Officers of the DRDA is invited to the reference first cited (Annexure I of this circular) Govt. of India have made an adhoc release of Rs.2433.06 lakhs to 28 Districts in TamilNadu as part of the first installment of IAY for 1997-98. (Govt.of India are yet to communicate the annual outlay for TamilNadu under IAY for 1997-98).

During 1996-97, the physical target under IAY was 71,598 group houses. But Government of India released their funds based on the old unit cost of Rs.14000/- and not on the revised unit cost of Rs.20000/-. GOI also did not release the additional funds needed for construction of houses in difficult soil areas. The funds actually released by Govt. Of India during 1996-97 (inclusive of the funds released by GOI in their Lr. No.H/11014/96, Dated: 1997) were therefore adequate only for 56234 houses.

During 1997-98, the target for group houses is 71598 houses as fixed by Government of Tamil Nadu. However in view of the fact that 15364 houses have been taken up during 1996-97 in excess of the funds received during that year, these houses have to be shown against the 1997-98 target. In other words, a part of the 1997-98 IAY funds should be utilized for completing the additional houses taken up during 1996-97. The Collectors and Project Officers of DRDAs have already been informed to take up new houses during 1997-98 only for 2/3rds of the target of 71.598 houses. The exact number of new houses to be taken up during 1997-98 in each district is indicated in Annexure II to his circular. Instructions on bridging the deficit of 15364 houses during 1997-98 will be issued separately.

SPILL OVER IAY HOUSES

As regards spill over IAY houses relating to 1995-96 and earlier, instructions have already been communicated in DRD's circular in the reference 3rd cited in which Collectors and Project Officers of DRDAs were requested to first provide for IAY spill over works out of the unutilized funds/interest accumulations on composite JRY funds/special funds released for spill over works in March 96 available with them, since the option of 'dipping' into next year's outlay is not there in the case of IAY works. Collectors and Project Officers, DRDA are requested to organize a drive to complete all these spill over group houses before the end of the June'97 in order to fulfill the announcement made by the Hon'ble Chief Minister on the floor of Assembly.

SELECTION OF VILLAGES AND BENEFICIAIRES UNDER I.A.Y. 1997-98

The relevant extract from DRD's circular in the reference 2nd cited is reproduced below:-

a) The Collector should himself choose the village panchayats where group house works are to be taken up in the district (without leaving this work to the Panchayat Unions as in the past). While doing this, he should take into consideration factors like the availability of house site pattas in the village, SC/ST/BC/MBC population of the village, number of Group houses constructed in the past, whether there are any victims of natural calamities and communal clashes, etc. Preference should normally be given to acquired sites (this is because land acquisition is normally resorted to by the DADWO/DBCWO only in those villages where there is acute scarcity of housing), and the details

of house sites acquired for SCs/STs/Others are readily available with the DADWO and DBCWO. The Collector can also gather details of both acquired sites and built-up sites (where Group houses are to be constructed) directly from the village panchayats or through the ABDO.

- b) In order to minimize the number of worksites and to facilitate better supervision, at least 20 group houses in respect of SC colonies and at least 10 group houses in respect of the others should be taken up in a village panchayat.
- c) Once the village panchayats where Group houses are to be taken up and the number of houses to be constructed are finalized by the Collector, the funds should be released by PO, DRDA directly to the "Scheme fund Account" of the village panchayats concerned, instead of routing the same through the panchayat unions.
- d) The selection of the IAY beneficiaries in these select village panchayats will be done by a committee comprising the President and members of the village panchayat and the ABDO or his nominee – in the presence of the Village Assembly. This meeting should be convened by the village panchayat president and a notice of at least 7 clear days should be given to all the members of the selection committee and their acknowledgement obtained. The quorum for the meeting would be 5 members.
- e) The list of IAY beneficiaries selected should be communicated immediately to the ABDO and the PO, DRDA.
- f) The Group house works should be executed by the beneficiaries themselves and if the beneficiaries are unwilling or unable to do so, by the village panchayat concerned. In other words the work orders should be issued either individually in the name of each IAY beneficiary or in the name of the village panchayat. On no account should the work order be issued in the name of any official (under the pretext of departmental execution) or in the name of any other third party. Collectors/POs of DRDAs are requested to deal severely with ABDOs who flout this instruction.
- g) Thus, IAY as a whole must be implemented through village panchayats only panchayat unions do not come into the picture either in the selection of beneficiaries or in the execution of works.

GENERAL GUIDELINES

The following general guidelines already communicated for the year 1996-97 will be applicable to 1997-98 also:-

- 1. Out of the new group houses to be taken, 15% should be earmarked for non-SC/ST, subject to the usual guidelines regarding eligibility and priority.
- 2. Low lying sites should not be selected for the construction of group houses under IAY.
- 3. It should be ensured that houses are not constructed on porambokes or other Government lands, but only on house site patta lands. Xerox copies of the house site pattas should be insisted upon and obtained for each location where IAY houses are proposed to be built.
- 4. All group houses must be compulsorily provided with sanitary latrines and smokeless fixed chulhas.
- 5. Government of India in their letter dated 23.07.96 have revised the unit costs for group houses as follows:-

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	Plain Area	Hill / Difficult Area
 i) Construction of houses including Sanitary latrine and smokeless chulhas 	Rs.17,500/-	Rs.19,500/-
ii) Cost of providing infrastructure and common facilities	Rs. 2,500/-	Rs. 2,500/-
Total	Rs.20,000/-	Rs.22,000/-

In case where the houses are not built in cluster / groups, the Rs.2,500/- provided towards infrastructure and common facilities must be given to the beneficiary for construction of his / her individual house.

- 6. As before, the differential cost of Rs.7,000/- per house for providing RCC roofing will be providing as an additionality from the state funds.
- 7. Collectors are requested to furnish the break up of the numbers of houses taken up in "Plain Area" and in "Hill/ Difficult Area" so that the correct requirement of funds can be arrived at and claimed from Government of India and the State Government.

MINIMUM SPECIFICATION OF EACH HOUSE:-

- 1. The inner measurements of the house should be at least 16' X 10' (4.88m X3.05m) and the plinth area 201.25 sq.ft. without "basement-offset" and 212.26sq.ft. with "off-set in the basement".
- 2. The height of the walls should be at least 2.15m including the bed block in the front and rear sides and 2.50m on the sides including cable walls (above the basement level).
- 3. On the back side of the kitchen, sanitary latrines (1mX 0.90m) should be provided with 2 leach pits filled with RCC cover slabs. The Sanitary latrine should be adjacently and simultaneously constructed along with the house from the basement level itself, with the roof of the house covering the latrine also.
- 4. The door should not be provided in front of the kitchen and it should be provided on the diagonally opposite side.
- 5. At least a 11 cm. thick partition wall (1m X2m) should be provided in the house so as to separate the kitchen. The shelves should be provided in the partition wall on either side (1m X 1m).
- 6. The RCC roof concrete and bed-block concrete should be laid simultaneously and should not be done separately.
- 7. The RCC roof should be extended at least by 15 to 20. cm on either side of the walls (front and rear) as a shade to protect from rain water.)
- 8. A smokeless chulah shall be provided in each house. The chimney and smoke pipe (to be fitted with chulah) should pass through the side wall, in 'Z' shape, instead of passing through RCC so as to prevent rain water leakage through the roof.

COMPULSORY SUPER - CHECK OF ALL GROUP HOUSES BY A.D.E. (JVVT)s:-

As each individual house cost only Rs.27,000/- the technical sanction of the work and the check measurement of the same is done only by the Union Engineers, it is noticed that ADE (JVVT)s seldom inspect these works, with the result that their quality of execution is not upto the mark. As 10 to 20 houses are constructed at each location, the value of works done at a site ranges from Rs.2.70 lakhs to Rs.5.40 lakhs. Further this is a major scheme of the Government and it cannot be technically supervised only at the Union Overseer and Union Engineer level. Collectors and Project Officers are therefore requested to ensure that all group houses are compulsorily super-checked by the ADE (JVVT)s at these 2 stages:- (i) at the Foundation / Raft concrete stage and (2) at the Roof concrete stage.

All Collector's and Project Officers are requested to ensure that all the IAY 1997-98 houses are completed positively before 31.03.1998.

The copy of the circular should be communicated to all ADE (JVVT)s and ABDOs.

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