



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Local Self Government Department - 15th Finance Commission (FC-XV)
- Guidelines to Release of Grants for ULBs - Constitution of High Level
Committee - Sanctioned - Orders Issued

LOCAL SELF GOVERNMENT (DC) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.2138/2020/LSGD Dated,Thiruvananthapuram, 12/11/2020

Read 1 D.O. Letter No. N-11025-01/2018-AMRUT-IIB dated
04/08/2020 from Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs, G/I

2 Letter No. UP2/861/2020/AMRUT-15FC dated 23/10/2020
from Mission Director, AMRUT

ORDER

As per the D. O. letter read above the Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs have been designated as Nodal Ministry for recommendation tied grants for water and solid waste management to ULBs.

2. The tied grants will be released on recommendation of MoHUA based on assessment of achievement of targets for the period 2021-22 to 2024-25. For the purpose the Urban Local Bodies(ULBs) have been divided into two categories:

(a) Million-Plus urban agglomerations/cities

(b) all other cities and towns with less than one million population.

3. As per the operational guidelines for the implementation of the recommendations on Urban Local Body grants contained in Chapter 5 (Local Body Grants) of the Fifteenth Finance Commission (FC-XV) the Million-Plus Cities of Kerala are Kannur, Kochi, Kollam, Kozhikode, Malappuram, Thiruvananthapuram and Thrissur.

4. In 2020-21, DPR for capacity development and infrastructural issues for meeting the service level benchmarks shall be submitted. The amount shall be spent exclusively for improving water and solid waste management and achieving of star ratings by the urban local bodies. Subsequent instalments will be released on the recommendation of the MoHUA based on the assessment about achievement of specified target.

5. For ULBs other than in Million-Plus cities, an allocation of Rs. 445 crore consisting of two equal parts - 50 per cent basic grants and 50 per cent grants tied to (a) drinking water (including rainwater harvesting and recycling) and (b) solid waste management. These ULBs shall earmark one half of the tied grants each to these two critical services and this amount will be in addition to the funds received from relevant CSS like Swachh Bharat Mission and Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT), and other similar schemes being implemented by the States. These grants shall not be used as a substitute for either Union or State share of such schemes.

4. As per the letter read as 2nd paper above, the Mission Director, AMRUT has requested to constitute a High Level Committee at State level with all stake holders for the purpose.

5. Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to constitute a High Level Committee with the following stake holders as its members for over-viewing the utilization of the tied grants and to monitor the implementation of the recommendations of the 15th Finance Commission with regard to ULBs.

- Principal Secretary of LSGD (Urban)
- Principal Secretary, Water Resources Department
- Secretary, Finance Department
- Director Urban Affairs
- Chief Engineer, Local Self Government Department

- Chief Engineer, Irrigation Department
- Chief Engineer, Public Works Department
- Mission Director, AMRUT
- Managing Director, Suchitwa Mission
- Project Director, Impact Kerala
- Managing Director, Kerala Water Authority

6. Government are also pleased to nominate the Director, Urban Affairs as the State Nodal officer for sharing the details of implementation of the recommendations of the 15th Finance Commission with the Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs, G/I.

(By order of the Governor)
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ADDITIONAL SECRETARY

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