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Dated: 21st October, 2021

Subject: **Joint efforts for Integration of Village Poverty Reduction Plan (VPRP) into Gram Panchayat Development Plan (GPDP) as part of People's Plan Campaign 2021.**

Dear Madam / Sir,

As you are aware, the people's plan campaign to prepare GPDP is being carried out from 2nd October, '21 to 31st January '22. In this regard, for an effective GPDP planning process, MoPR and MoRD have mandated women SHGs and their federations under the Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM) to prepare a comprehensive and inclusive Village Poverty Reduction Plans (VPRP) as part of People's Plan Campaign guidelines of 2021.

2. The VPRP comprises of 4 major components of (i) Entitlement Plan, (ii) Livelihoods Plan, (iii) Public goods & services and Resource Development plans and (iv) Social Development Plan which contains elements under the 29 subjects of XIth schedule and hence it contributes towards the holistic development of villages. Following the intensive consultation process, the SHGs and their federations shall prepare VPRP duly incorporating and prioritizing the needs of the most vulnerable, within or outside the SHG membership in their villages. The demands shall be presented before the Gram Sabha and incorporated in the GPDP through the decisions in Gram Sabhas/Ward Sabha/Mahila Sabha.

3. With regards to the challenges faced in realizing the integration of the demands of VPRP last year and to keep the faith of the community in the outcome of the efforts taken in preparing a comprehensive plan, it is important that adequate orientation of PRI representatives and participation of all relevant departments during the process of GPDP and VPRP presentations in the Gram Sabha is ensured. Along with this, mechanisms for monitoring the outcomes at various levels also need to be put in place.

4. Therefore, the following actions are requested to be jointly undertaken by Departments of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj Institutions in the States/UTs:

- (a) Ensure that the Gram Panchayats (GPs) share last year's approved activities from the VPRP as integrated into the GPDP and status of their implementation with the Gram Sabha, the Village Organizations (VOs) and the Cluster Level Federations (CLFs).
- (b) Include discussion on demands submitted in VPRP as an agenda item in the GPDP-related meetings at the Gram Panchayat and Block levels.

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- (c) Promote inclusion of work demand from VPRP in the MGNREGA shelf of works.
- (d) Instruct all concerned departments to consider the demands indicated in VPRP while preparing their annual action plans.
- (e) Inclusion of Social Development Plans as no cost/low cost components under GPDP.
- (f) All Gram Panchayats should upload VPRP demands sanctioned on to the GPDP portal.
- (g) Ensure joint review and monitoring of implementation of approved GPDP plans through institutional forums.
- (h) A joint coordination committee comprising of members from Department of Panchayati Raj, Line Department representatives and State Rural Livelihood Mission may also be set up at the State and District level to initiate State/District level meetings to explore the options of integration of the demands raised through the VPRP into GPDP and action plans of various departments.

5. Your active cooperation, leadership and guidance in achieving the goals expected of this year's People's Plan Campaign is highly solicited. We shall be grateful if you could issue necessary instructions to the PRIs and all line departments to support this VPRP planning process and incorporate the demands in GPDP and the annual action plans of concerned departments.

With warm regards,

Yours sincerely,


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