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Dated: 14-08-2018

Subject: People's Plan Campaign for preparation of Gram Panchayat Development Plan (GPDP) during 2nd October, 2018 – 31st December, 2018.

Dear *Dr. Reddy,*

As you are aware, the Gram Panchayats have been mandated for the preparation of Gram Panchayat Development Plans from economic development and social justice during the last three years, utilizing the resources available with them. However, for the GPDP planning process to be comprehensive and meaningful, it is essential that this process involve the full convergence with the Schemes of all related Ministries/ Departments related to the 29 subjects indicated in the Eleventh Schedule of the Constitution. The convergence assumes greater significance in view of the fact that the Panchayats have an important role to play in the effective implementation of these flagship schemes on subjects of National importance, and for the transformation of rural India. For this purpose, a People's Plan Campaign will be launched during 2nd October 2018 to 31st December, 2018 for preparation of GPDP for 2019-20 under the leadership of State Governments and active involvement of SIRDs etc. This Campaign will be an intensive and structured exercise for planning at the level of Gram Sabha through convergence between the Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) and concerned line Departments of the State. In this regard, a copy of Secretary's DO letter to Chief Secretaries with copy endorsed to Additional Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary (Rural Development and Panchayati Raj) of all States and Secretaries of Central Ministries along with a presentation is enclosed for your perusal and necessary support.

2. While the Local Government Framework of PRIs as mandated by Constitution is fully functional at all levels, convergence with Women-Self Help Groups (SHGs) significantly increases the community ownership of public programmes. Taking the above into account, during this planning exercise, the Gram Panchayats may associate Women SHGs in order to ensure that the GPDPs are inclusive and represent the interests of all stakeholders, particularly the vulnerable sections. The SHGs should also participate in subsequent implementation, monitoring and social audit of GPDP activities. The newly launched Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA) scheme, envisages the framework for convergence of PRIs and SHGs as issued earlier and also that under Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana- National Rural Livelihood Mission (DAYNRLM).

3. Further, you will also appreciate that for the success of the People's Plan Campaign, meticulous planning incorporating proper training and orientation of frontline workers of line departments and the community facilitators, who would participate in the GPDP planning exercise would be essential. It should be our endeavor to ensure that the Capacity Building interventions for this campaign should be a participant friendly and outcome oriented exercise. The Capacity Development programmes will have to be lead by State Institutes of Rural Development (SIRDs)/ State Panchayati Raj Training Institutions under the overall guidance of National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj and Community Resource Persons (CRPs) & Cluster Coordinates of DAY-NRLM may be selected as the facilitator of GPDP for each Gram Panchayats.

4. The prepopulated data regarding the basic social and economic assessment of every Gram Panchayat are to be provided in Mission Antyodaya format and this exercise is to be completed for the GPs not covered under first phase of Mission Antyodaya. In this context, active participation of your institute would be required. Based on these gap assessments a Gram Panchayat can focus on bridging these gaps effectively. In first phase only 44000 GPs were covered.

5. In view of the above, I would be grateful if the NIRD&PR may develop training modules for PRI-SHG's women convergence and facilitators separately to lead this People's Plan Campaign at the grassroots level, at the earliest for imparting the trainings of these vital stakeholders for this campaign. Moreover, active support of your institute is requested for support for providing a background ranking of remote GPs in the field of infrastructure, human development and economic activity as was done for 44000 GPs. Since, there is little time left for launch of the campaign I would be grateful if both these modules are ready by 25th August, 2018 so that training may be imparted from 30th August, 2018.

With regards,

Enclosed: as above

Yours sincerely,


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