

**Minutes of the Desk Review Meetings to assess implementation of Rashtriya Krishi
Vikas Yojana (RKVY) [03.11.2014 to 11.11.2014]
Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi**

The Desk Review Meetings (State wise) to assess implementation of Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) was organized at Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi on and from 3rd Nov, 2014 to 11th Nov, 2014 under the Chairmanship of Shri Narendra Bhooshan , Joint Secretary, Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY).

All 29 States participated in the meeting in which the following aspects of RKVY implementation were reviewed/ discussed:

- a) Assessment of the progress of RKVY: Utilization of funds and physical progress of projects for assessing release of II installment, including projects during current year.
- b) RDMIS - Progress & issues in data entry on RDMIS
- c) Utilization of funds and physical progress in respect of Sub-schemes of RKVY.
- d) Any other issue raised by the State.

After detailed deliberation with the States, following action/decision points emerged:

1. Like last year, there is a possibility of budget cut in RKVY. Therefore, for receiving the second installment of RKVY fund for the year 2014-15, States may submit the following preferably before 15.12.2014 (also refer to para-10.3 of RKVY Guidelines (2014)):
 - a. 100% Utilization Certificates (UCs) for the funds released upto previous financial year (2013-14);
 - b. Expenditure of at least 60% of funds released in first installment during current year (2014-15) and
 - c. Performance report in terms of physical and financial progress till current year & matching with UCs submitted, as well as outcome as per the prescribed proforma (available at RKVY website).
2. For ensuring release and mobilization of RKVY funds to implementing agencies well before onset of kharif season, States are requested to convene SLSC meeting for approving projects for next financial year (2015-16) preferably before 31st March, 2015. States may have to make all-round efforts to collate projects from implementing Department and conduct meeting of State Level Project Screening Committee (SLPSC) by end of January, 2015. For formulating projects for 2015-16, States may assume similar outlay under RKVY as has been available during 2014-15.
3. To comply with para- 5.5 and 5.6 of Revised RKVY Guidelines (2014), States have to revise their District Agriculture Plans (DAP) and State Agriculture Plans (SAP) preferably before 31.12.2014. Further, in accordance with para 5.8 of RKVY Guidelines, States also have to prepare State Agriculture Infrastructure Development Programme (SAIDP). For this purpose States are at liberty to engage a third party (either Private or Govt. agency). Soft copies of revised SAP/DAPs & SAIDP may also be sent to DAC for uploading at RKVY Website.

4. As outlined in para-12.3 of RKVY Guidelines, 25% of the projects sanctioned by the State each year under the three streams e.g., RKVY Production growth, Infrastructure and Assets as well as Sub-schemes shall have to be taken up for third party monitoring and evaluation by the implementing States. States have been requested to get this complied at the earliest preferably before 31.03.2015. While hiring a third party (either Private or Govt. agency), States may ensure that it does not create any conflict of interest or agency which is a beneficiary or implementing agency of RKVY should not be engaged for this purpose.
5. It has been observed that RKVY resources are getting spread thinly over a large number of projects. For making impacts of RKVY more visible, it is suggested that from 2015-16 onward, States may identify one/two priority flagship projects in infrastructure sector utilizing about 35-40% fund allocated under 'Infrastructure & Asset' streams of RKVY. The purpose of such projects will be to saturate the focused areas (e.g. Districts, Blocks) for creating visible impacts.
6. It has also observed that some of the States have not yet updated RDMIS entry. It was reiterated that regularly updating RDMIS data is a pre-requisite for consideration of release of funds under RKVY. Some States highlighted the need for training of data entry operators. It was decided that States may send 2/3 data entry operator to DAC for undergoing 2/3 days of hands on training. RKVY Division will also consider conducting a one day workshop of RKVY-RDMIS sometimes in January, 2015 after the new module is made online.
7. Many States have requested to consider releasing 60% of RKVY fund as first installment instead of 50% for facilitating implementation in Kharif season.
8. Statewise, yearwise UC position has been reconciled with concerned States and updated Statement is enclosed as Annexure-A.
9. Summary of State Specific issues raised/discussed is enclosed as Annexure-B.

Desk Review Meetings with States for assessing progress of implementation of RKVY during 2014-15

STATEWISE ACTION POINTS

ARUNACHAL PRADESH

- UC for 6.0740 crore is pending for 2014-15. State was asked to furnish further UCs of Rs.2.02 crore in order to fulfill the condition of 60% utilization of funds released in current year.
- State informed that all funds stands utilized during 2013-14 except Rs.23.00 lakh.
- State may consider diverting funds to those implementing agencies whose pace of utilization of funds is faster rather than allowing the funds to be parked with the agencies who are unable to utilize the funds in time.
- Progress of the projects entered by the State in RDMIS is at variance from the UCs furnished. State was asked to update RDMIS entries.

ANDHRA PRADESH

- UCs pending for the year 2013-14 is Rs.81.07 crore (reconciled) and out of which UCs for Rs.53.83 crore will have to be submitted by Andhra Pradesh and for remaining amount by Telangana.
- State may consider surrendering unspent funds OPAE of 2012-13.
- Andhra Pradesh will furnish total UCs for 2013-14 including Telangana as during 2013-14 RKVY funds was released to unified Andhra Pradesh. State needs to furnish 100% UC for 2013-14 to access second installment of RKVY funds.
- State informed that entire amount released by the Govt. of India during 2013-14 has not yet been released to the implementing agencies by the State authority. State representatives were asked to pursue with their Finance Department for immediate release of money to the implementing agencies of both Andhra Pradesh and Telangana.
- RDMIS entries done by the State are not appearing on the web-site as the projects are yet to be approved in the database. This issue may be sorted out at the earliest.

ASSAM

- State may reconcile year wise UCs submitted to DAC vis-a-vis actual expenditure made.
- Data entries may also be updated in RDMIS.
- State was suggested to focus on utilization of unspent BGREI fund on priority basis.
- State may submit year wise requests for revalidation of unspent fund.

BIHAR

- State has updated entries of the details of all approved projects in RDMIS of RKVY.
- State was asked to furnish Physical and Financial Progress Reports of 2012-13 to 2014-15 matching with the UC's already submitted for getting second installment of funds.

CHHATTISGARH

- RDMIS data entries are irregular. State was advised to give priority on updating the date entries in RDMIS.
- State was asked to submit of pending UCs for the year 2013-14(for Rs. 2.30 crore) and 2014-15(for Rs. 122.02 crore) without any delay.
- State was asked to seek revalidation of unspent amount of previous years at the earliest.

GOA

- The State has entered the details of approved projects in RKVY-RDMIS.
- Cumulative Unspent Balance of the State under RKVY at the end of 2013-14 is more than the amount released to it in that year. State may expedite expenditure and submission of UCs.
- State was advised to submit separate revalidation requests for the year 2012-13 and 2013-14.

GUJARAT

- SLSC meeting during 2014-15 has not been conducted yet. Accordingly, State could not get 50% of RKVY allocation as first instalment.
- It was requested to hold SLSC meeting without any further delay and make efforts for utilizing the unspent fund.

HIMACHAL PRADESH

- A sizeable amount of funds of previous years is lying unspent with the State. State was asked to make all round efforts to utilize the unspent balance and submit required UCs to the Department as early as possible.
- Expenditure should also be reflected in RDMIS.

HARYANA

- State is having substantial amount of unspent balance from the year 2008-09 to 2013-14.
- RDMIS is not updated. State was asked to make efforts to update data entry in RDMIS.
- State was advised to reconcile unspent balance and ask for revalidation at the earliest.

JAMMU & KASHMIR

- In view of recent catastrophic (flood) which as badly affected the crops (both Fruits and Vegetables and other important crops) in the State and the devastation caused all-round, State asked for grant of second installment of RKVY fund without awaiting UCs of previous releases.
- State was asked to make all necessary efforts to utilize unspent balance of RKVY lying since 2012-13.

JHARKHAND

- State may use NEGP and Agrinet funds available with them for engaging data entry operator for RKVY-RDMIS.
- State was advised to update RKVY-RDMIS regularly.

KARNATAKA

- State was asked to utilize unspent balance of Rs. 22.45 crore of 2013-14.
- State has not sanctioned sufficient project during the current year i.e. 2014-15 to match with the allocation of the fund.
- State was requested to update data entries in RDMIS portal.

KERALA

- State was asked to update data entries in RDMIS regularly.
- State was requested to make all efforts to utilize unspent balance and submit requisite UCs for getting second instalment.

MANIPUR

- State was asked to utilize whole amount of unspent balance at the earliest for becoming eligible to get second installment.
- State was asked to update RKVY-RDMIS regularly. .

MADHYA PRADESH

- UCs submitted by the State and data entries in the RDMIS is not matching. State was advised to reconcile the same and update RDMIS regularly.
- State was advised to make all efforts to utilize unspent funds at the earliest for being eligible to get second installment.

MEGHALAYA

- State was asked to utilize whole amount of unspent balance at the earliest and submit UCs for becoming eligible to get second installment.

MAHARASHTRA

- State was advised to submit pending UCs at the earliest.
- State was asked to update RKVY-RDMIS regularly.

MIZORAM

- State was asked to update RKVY-RDMIS regularly.
- Physical and financial progress report for the year 2013-14 as well as UCs for previous years should be submitted at the earliest.

NAGALAND

- The State has submitted UCs for 2013-14 and previous years in time. There is no unspent balance lying with the State
- State was advised to furnish the pending Physical and Financial Report to the Division at the earliest for getting second installment.
- State was asked to update RKVY-RDMIS regularly

ODISHA

- State was asked to update RKVY-RDMIS regularly.
- State expressed the need for training of computer personnel engaged for RKVY-RDMIS. It was decided that State will depute them to Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi or 1-2 days training.

PUNJAB

- State has not yet submitted UCs for the year 2013-14. State was asked to make all round efforts to utilize the whole amount of unspent balance of previous years at the earliest, otherwise the State may not get second installment.

RAJASTHAN

- State was asked to make all round effort for utilizing unspent balance lying with the State.
- State was asked to update RKVY-RDMIS regularly.

SIKKIM

- State has spent 60% of the funds released during 2014-15.
- State has also made entries of approved projects in RDMIS of RKVY.

TAMILNADU

- State has submitted UCs for 2013-14 and previous years. .
- The State has also furnished the Physical and Financial Report for 2013-14 in time.
- State was asked to update RKVY-RDMIS regularly

TRIPURA

- A power point presentation was made by the representatives of the State on the progress of implementation of RKVY in the State.
- The State has submitted 100% UCs for the year 2013-14 and UCs for 60% of the amount released during the current year.

- State was asked to sort out problems in implementation of NMPS and VIUC sub-schemes with the concerned subject matter Divisions of DAC and DAHD&F.

TELANGANA

- The State has entered the details of approved projects in the RDMIS.
- State was advised to submit the proposal under Additional Fodder Development Programme (AFDP) to RFS Division of the Department.

UTTAR PRADESH

- State was asked to submit pending UCs of 2013-14 at the earliest.
- State was also advised to make all round efforts to utilize RKVY funds and submit UCs quickly for getting second installment.
- State was asked to update RKVY-RDMIS regularly.

UTTARAKHAND

- State was asked to seek revalidation of unspent balance of 2012-13 and 2013-14.
- Funds released for the current year may be routed to the concerned implementing agencies in the State immediately.
- The State was also advised to submit UCs for NMPS released during 2013-14.

WEST BENGAL

- State was asked to submit revalidation request of Rs. 8.89 crore pertaining to 2013-14. State may also consider surrendering unspent if it is not possible to spend the whole amount quickly.

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