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**Proceedings of the Executive Director, State Poverty
Eradication Mission, Thiruvananthapuram
(Present Shri. T.K Jose IAS)**

Sub: Kudumbashree – 'Ashraya' the project for destitute identification, rehabilitation and Monitoring & IT enabled services in Grama Panchayats – Funds for IT enabled services – Release – Reg.

Read: 1. GO (Rt) No. 1035/04/LSGD dated 17-03-2004
2. GO (Rt) No. 1195/04/LSGD dated 30-03-2004

Order No. KSD/ 2346/ 2002 dated 8th July, 2004

In the GO read above Government in the LSG department has accorded sanction to implement Destitute Identification, Rehabilitation and Monitoring (DIRM) project in 78 Grama Panchayats and Rs 674.57 lakh has been released to Grama panchayats for implementing destitute rehabilitation project. Government of India, for the year 2003-04, sanctioned and released a sum of Rs. 750 lakhs for implementing the destitute rehabilitation programme and IT enabled services to the poor. From state budget Government of Kerala has also released 250 lakhs for the 'Ashraya' destitute rehabilitation programme. The project sanctioned by Government of India under Special Central assistance has the following two components.

1. Destitute identification, rehabilitation and monitoring (DIRM)- Rs 500 lakh
2. IT enabled services to the CBOs and Panchayats to monitor the implementation of destitute rehabilitation and service to the poor- Rs 250 lakh

The Grama panchayats had prepared specific projects for the implementation of DIRM and the fund released from the first component. The second component is for installation of computer and accessories to CDS for strengthening the IT infrastructure to enable the CDS to monitor the project implementation and to provide IT enabled services to the poor. This will facilitate the poor and general public to have access to the information on the day-to-day functioning of the panchayat and to expedite the services to be rendered to public by the GP as well.

During the year 2003-04, 78 Grama panchayats have prepared projects for destitute rehabilitation programme and support from Kudumbashree. Accordingly an amount of Rs. 674.57 lakhs has been released. The panchayats have started implementing of projects. The second component of IT enabled services to the poor is also to be released to the same panchayats who had ventured to take up destitute rehabilitation programme as a challenge. The provision for the IT enabled services to the poor under the special central assistance can be utilised by the Grama panchayats who had taken up the 'Ashraya' project. This component will also help them to monitor the project effectively.

In the circumstance, sanction is accorded for the release of a sum of Rs. 195 lakhs to 78 Grama panchayats @ Rs. 2.5 lakhs per panchayat for installation of computer and the other accessories in the CDS office, for the effective monitoring of destitute rehabilitation project and to provide services to the poor. The account section will release funds to the panchayats as per the list appended by way of Demand Draft. The Computers and other accessories may be purchased from Kudumbashree hardware units as per the directions contained in G.O. (Rt) No. 872/2003/LSGD, dated 07/03/2003. The Secretaries of the concerned grama panchayats will furnish utilization certificate within one month from the date of receipt of the DD through District Mission Co-ordinator, Kudumbashree.


Executive Director

To

1. The President / Secretary
----- Grama Pnachayat
2. The Chairperson, CDS
3. All District Mission Coordinators
4. The Regional Directors
5. The Director (A&F)

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