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Government of Himachal Pradesh
Department of Panchayati Raj.

To

All the Chief Executive Officers
Zila Parishad, Himachal Pradesh.

All the District Panchayat Officers
Himachal Pradesh.

All the Block Development Officers
Himachal Pradesh.

Shimla-171009 dated 25-09-2026

Subject:-Regarding utilization of Tied Grant meant for Sanitation under 16th Finance Commission, instructions thereof.

Madam/Sir,

On the aforementioned subject, as you are aware that the Tied Grant under 16th Finance Commission should be directed towards 'Sanitation and Solid Waste Mangement' and/or 'Water Management'. In this regard, it is hereby informed that the Tied Grant meant for the Sanitation component shall be utilized on the following activities only at all levels of PRIs:-

S.No	Theme Name	Activity Name as per GPDP	Work description	Funds which can be utilized (maximum limit)
1	2	3	4	5
1	Theme 5 - Clean and green village (GPDP)	Creation of community soak pits for group of Households	Soak pit at the drainage end point	Rs. 10,000 per community soak pit
2		Construction of Compost Unit/ Creation of community compost pits for a group of households	Compost Pit in every Village	Rs. 3,000 per community compost pit
3		Creation of shed for segregation and processing of wet and dry waste	Segregation -cum - Storage Shed at village level	Rs. 20,000 per segregation shed
4		Services of Collection & transportation of waste from household to treatment site	Hiring of Motorised vehicle for transportation of plastic waste from village to rural	Rs. 10,000 per month for services covering a Gram Panchayat

		PMU/urban MRF. Operation and maintenance including driver charges, minor repairs and electricity/ charging cost for e-rickwhas deployed for door-to-door collection and transportation of solid waste to segregation or processing site.	
5		Operation & Maintenance of Community Sanitary Complex (CSC)	Rs. 10,000 per month per CSC
6		Hiring of support agency/ sanitation worker for waste management (solid)	Rs. 10,000 per month for services covering a Gram Panchayat
7		Transportation of waste from households to segregation shed and segregation shed to PWMU	Rs. 4 Lakh per annum for services covering a block or part of a block
8	Construction of Community Sanitary Complex	Construction of Community Sanitary Complex (CSC)	Rs. 90,000 per CSC
9	Cost of IEC	6 IEC message per village which are to be verified for ODF Plus by district committee	Rs. 8,000 per village in each GP
10	Operation & maintenance of composting shed/center	Operation & Maintenance of Segregation Sheds	Rs. 4000 per month per Shed
11		Operation & Maintenance of Community Compost Pit	Rs. 2500 per month per community compost unit
12		Operation and maintenance of Plastic Waste Management Unit (PWMU) / Material Recovery Facility	Rs. 3 Lakh per annum per PWMU/ MRF in the Block/District
13	Construction of Bio-Gas and Compost Unit	Operation and maintenance of Gobardhan Plants	Rs. 2 Lakh per annum per facility
14	Operation & maintenance of Faecal Sludge Management Plant	O&M of MST Unit (FSM) in District	Rs. 1 Lakh per annum per facility

The activities in the table above shall constitute the exclusive list of activities approved by the State Government for expenditure from the portion of 16th Finance Commission tied grants allocated to sanitation. No Gram Panchayat, Panchayat Samiti or Zila Parishad shall propose, approve, book or incur expenditure against that allocation for an activity outside this list. The amounts indicated in the table are ceilings, subject to the applicable Central guidelines, availability of funds, approval in the relevant development plan and compliance with the prescribed financial and procurement procedures. These instructions do not, by themselves, constitute administrative or financial sanction for any work or recurring engagement.

The activities listed above may be undertaken by a Gram Panchayat, Panchayat Samiti or Zila Parishad, as applicable. A Panchayat Samiti may utilise its funds for any of the 14 listed activities within the Gram Panchayats comprised in its Block, and a Zila Parishad may utilise its funds for any of the 14 listed activities within the Gram Panchayats comprised in its District. The mention of a particular tier or funding source against an activity in the table indicates the proposed funding arrangement; it shall not be construed as restricting the Panchayat Samiti or Zila Parishad to only those rows. Each activity must be included in the development plan of the PRI incurring the expenditure and undertaken in accordance with applicable grant conditions, approvals and financial procedures. The PRIs concerned shall coordinate to prevent duplication of funding for the same work or expense.

Where an activity outside this list has already been included in the GPDP, BPDP or ZPDP for 2026–27 against the sanitation allocation, the concerned PRI shall revise the plan through the prescribed procedure before expenditure is incurred. An existing entry in an approved plan shall not be treated as authority to spend this allocation contrary to these instructions.

The activities listed above are permissible activities, and no PRI is required to undertake or allocate funds to every activity. Where such a facility like faecal sludge management unit does not exist, the PRI may allocate its funds to any of the other listed activities in the above list of 14 activities. But in no event shall any activity outside the above list of permissible activity be selected by the PRI. No provision shall be made for a non-existent facility merely to utilise the amount indicated against it in the table.

The Panchayat Secretary and the officers responsible for scrutiny, approval and payment shall check compliance at their respective stages. The BDO, DPO and CEO, Zila Parishad shall ensure that these instructions are circulated, reflected in plan scrutiny, and monitored during implementation. Any proposed clarification shall be referred to the Government through the Directorate for prior written approval; a request for clarification shall not be treated as approval. Expenditure contrary to these instructions shall be unauthorized and responsibility, including recovery where warranted, shall be determined after due process.

You are, therefore, directed to circulate these instructions to all

Panchayati Raj Institutions under your jurisdiction for strict compliance and ensure that the funds are utilized only for the purposes specified above.

Digitally signed by
RAGHAV SHARMA

Date: 25-09-2026

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Yours faithfully,

**Special Secretary (Panchayati Raj) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh.**

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Copy for information and necessary action, please:-

(1) The Mission Director, SBM (G), Himchal Pradesh.

(2) All the Deputy Director-cum- Project Officer, DRDA Himachal Pradesh for information and necessary action.

**-Digitally Signed-
Special Secretary (Panchayati Raj) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh.**