Government of West Bengal

Finance Department Budget Branch

NABANNA, Howrah - 711 102.

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Dated, Howrah, the 21st April, 2017

From: Puneet Yadav, IAS, Secretary to the

Government of West Bengal

To: The Additional Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/Secretary,
Agriculture/Animal Resources Development/Fisheries/Food & Supplies/Hill
Affairs/Irrigation & Waterways/M.A & M.E./P &RD/North Bengal
Development/Public works/Public Works (Roads)/Sundarban Affiars/Technical
Education & Training/W.R.I. & D/Power & NES Department

Sub.: Fund requirement for RIDF Schemes upto July'2017.

Sir,

I am directed to bring to your kind notice the following points:

- i. The Finance Department released 33 percent of State Plan funds for incurring expenditure for the months of April, May, June & July, with some exceptions like RIDF, EAP, BADP etc. Funds are released for earmarked programmes like RIDF by Finance Department upon receipt of specific proposals from the line departments.
- ii. In the past, as in July 2016, in the second allotment order No. 500-F.B. dt. 25.7.2016 for financial year 2016-17, a changed procedure was adopted wherein 50% of the budgeted funds for RIDF were released to the line Departments. However, some of the departments conveyed that in absence of suitable RIDF project sanction by NABARD, against such funds released by Finance Department, such funds were lying unspent whereby adversely affecting their plan fund expenditure position.

In this background and with the objective of balancing the timely fund availability for completed RIDF projects and also avoiding the situation of huge unspent funds with the line departments against the RIDF head of account, it is hereby requested that the departments

handling RIDF projects may kindly inform the finance department on the tentative requirement of funds for ongoing RIDF projects, limited to a cap of 33% of RIDF budget provision under financial year 2017-18. Requirement of funds may be indicated head of account wise for such ongoing projects. The Finance Department would try to consider releasing such funds immediately and such funds would be taken into consideration of Finance Department release to the departments for plan expenditure consideration.

A soft copy of the same (in excel format) may also be forwarded to the following e-mail addresses: secretaryfinancewb@gmail.com/sudipkumar.sinha@yahoo.in by 28th April, 2017, containing the following information: (i) Head of Account, and (ii) Amount in Rupees.

Yours faithfully,

(P. Yadav)

Secy. to the Govt. of W.B.