

E.F. No. 22/ 23/2023-BTI
Government of India
Ministry of Culture
BTI Section

Purattatva Bhawan, 2nd Floor,
D-Block, G.P.O Complex,
I.N.A, New Delhi-23
Dated: 22.01.2025

To,
The Accounts Officer,
Pay & Accounts Office,
Ministry of Culture,
New Delhi-110001

Subject:- Release of Grant-in-aid under the scheme of Development of Buddhist/ Tibetan Culture & Art for the financial year 2020-21 (being paid during 2024-25) as recommended in Expert Advisory Committee Meeting held on 23-3-2021 at Puratatav Bhawan(Non-recurring)

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India for release of **Rs.14,25,000/- (Rupees Fourteen lakhs twenty five thousand only)** for release of 50% of financial assistance/ grant to Vyakti vikas Kendra India, VVKI Buddhist Cultural Centre, Art of Living, Durgamandir complex College Main Gate Gairigaon Gantok, Sikkim located in North East Region under the scheme of Financial Assistance for the Development of Buddhist/Tibetan Culture & art through the Central Nodal Agency (CNA) of this scheme i.e. **Central Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies (CIHTS), Sarnath.**

Sl. No. (a)	Name of the Organization & Address (b)	Reference Sanction No. for the submission of UC (c)	Amount (in Rs.) (d)
1.	Central Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies, Sarnath, Varanasi	E.F. No. 22/23/2023-BTI	Rs.14,25,000/-

2. **Central Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies (CIHTS), Sarnath** will ensure that the CIHTS & grantee organizations will adhere to the following terms and conditions:-

- The grantee organizations (Sub-agencies-SAs) will furnish the details of their respective Zero Balance Subsidiary Account opened for this purpose to CIHTS, Sarnath to enable CNA to release the amount and a copy of the same may be provided to this Ministry.
- After opening of Central Nodal Account of the scheme and before opening zero balance subsidiary account of SAs or assigning those drawing rights from CNA's account, the SAs at all levels shall return all unspent amounts of the scheme lying in their accounts to the Central Nodal Account of the CNA.
- Payments will be made from the zero balance subsidiary accounts up to the drawing limit assigned to such accounts from time to time. Transactions in each subsidiary account will be settled with the Central Nodal Account daily through the core banking solution (CBS) on the basis of payments made during the day.
- CNAs and SAs will mandatorily use the EAT module of PFMS or integrate their systems with the PFMS to ensure that information on PFMS is updated by each SA at least once every day.
- CNAs will keep all the funds received in the Central Nodal Account only and shall not transfer the funds

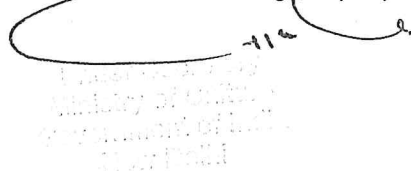

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to any other account or not divert the same to fixed deposit/flexi-account/ multi-option Deposit Account/Corporate Liquid Term Deposit (CLTD) Account, etc. The Funds released to CNA shall not be parked in bank account of any other agency.

- vi. CNA will follow all the instructions contained in Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure O.M. No. 1(18)/PFMS/FCD/2021 dated 09.03.2022. As per the O.M. all zero balance subsidiary accounts will have allocated drawing limits from time to time and will draw on real time basis from the Central Nodal Account of the scheme as and when payments are to be made to beneficiaries, vendors etc. The available drawing limit will get reduced by the extent of utilization.
- vii. CNA will ensure refund of unspent balance of lower level Agencies to CNA account.
- viii. As per provisions contained in GFR Rule 230(8) all Interests/other earnings accrued against Grants-In-Aid shall be mandatorily remitted to the Consolidated Fund of India immediately after finalization of the accounts. Such advances should not be allowed to be adjusted against future releases.

3. The CNA will also ensure the fulfillment of the following terms and conditions by the grantee organizations (list enclosed):-

- i) The Grantee shall maintain:-
 - a) Subsidiary accounts of the grants-in-aid received from the Government.
 - b) Cash book Registers in hand written bound books duly machine numbered.
 - c) Grant-in-aid Register for the grant received from the Government and other agencies.
 - d) Separate ledgers for each item of expenditure like construction of civil work etc.
- ii) The assets acquired wholly or substantially out of Government grant except those declared as obsolete and unserviceable or condemned as per the procedure laid down in the GFR rules shall not be disposed of without the prior approval of the Ministry.
- iii) The grantee shall not divert the grant and entrust execution of the scheme of work concerned to another organization and shall abide by the terms and conditions of the grant.
- iv) If the grantee fails to utilize the grant for the purpose for which the same has been sanctioned, the grantee will be required to refund the entire amount with interest thereon @ 10% per annum.
- v) The accounts of the grantee Institution/Organization shall be open to inspection by the sanctioning authority and audit, both by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India under the provision of CAG (DPC) Act, 1971 and internal audit by the Principal Accounts Officer of the Ministry or Department, whenever the institution or organization is called upon to do so.
- vi) The maximum grant admissible to an organization would be 90% of the total expenditure to be incurred on any item subject to maximum ceiling fixed. The remaining 10% expenditure or more should be met by the State Govt./U.T. Administration failing which the grantee organization could contribute the amount from their own resources.
- vii) The balance 50% grant will be released subject to submission of the following documents within 12 months from closing of the financial year.
 - a. Utilization Certificate in GFR 2017 (GFR12 A format) alongwith Annexure-I and Annexure-II.
 - b. Complete Audited Accounts showing (i) income & expenditure (ii) receipt & payment (iii) assets & liabilities accounts certified by Chartered Accountant for the whole amount of the grant sanctioned vide para one above alongwith one third share of the grantee. The audited accounts should also reflect the receipts and payments from all sources of the organization.
 - c. Project Report duly bound alongwith CDs/DVDs (1 Sets).
 - d. The Audio-Visual documentation is to be done in HD form.
- viii) The UC should also disclose whether the specified quantified and qualitative targets that should have been reached against the amount utilized were in fact reached and if not the reasons therefore.
- ix) The grantee organization are requested to maintain cleanliness in their office premises as well as the place where seminars, research, workshops, festivals and exhibitions etc. are organized by them and to promote and propagate awareness about Swachh Bharat among the people.


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- x) The organization will not obtain grant for the same purpose/project from any other source, indicating Government sources. In case, it receives grant for the same project from other sources also, the same will be intimated to Ministry of Culture immediately after receipt with proper reference.
- xi) That if the Government is not satisfied with the progress of the project or considers that the guidelines of the scheme, terms & conditions of the sanction, etc are being violated, it reserves the right to terminate the Grant-in-aid with immediate effect and also take such other actions as it deems fit with or without prior notice.
- xii) The organization shall appropriately display the boards that should be erected at the project site indicating that the organisation is running under the aegis of Ministry of Culture, Government of India.
- xiii) The organization shall abide by all the aforesaid terms & conditions, guidelines of the scheme, provisions of GFRs, and any subsequent revision/changes therein.

4. It is certified that the grant-in-aid to the grantee organizations (list enclosed) is sanctioned in accordance with the pattern of financial assistance under the component of Kala Sanskriti Vikas Yojana (KSVY) approved by the Ministry of Finance, Govt. of India and is in conformity with the rules and principles of the Scheme as approved by the Ministry. **The grant is non-recurring in nature and is being released after fulfilling the conditions prescribed in GFR.**

5. The requisite documents in original including Indemnity Bond, Bank Authorization Letter and Resolution of the above mentioned organizations have been received and found to be in order.

6. The grant will be drawn by the Drawing & Disbursing Officer (GIA), Ministry of Culture and released to the Central Nodal Agency account nominated for Buddhist Scheme i.e. CIHTS, Sarnath by means of Electronic transfer to their Account No. 110116329226 of Canara Bank, Sarnath, Varanasi-221007, Uttar Pradesh for disbursement to grantee organizations approved under the scheme of Financial Assistance for the Development of Buddhist/Tibetan Culture & art.

7. The expenditure involved is debitable to Demand No. 18 -2205- Art & Culture (Major Head) - 00.102- Financial Assistance for the Development of Buddhist/Tibetan Culture & Art (Minor Head) - 11 - Kala Sanskriti Vikas Yojana- 11.01 - Schemes and Missions-11.01.31-Grant-in-Aid General -2024-25 (NER) .

8. This sanction is issued in exercise of the delegated powers in consultation with Integrated Finance Division (IFD), Ministry of Culture as concurrence conveyed for the expenditure vide their Dy. No.66326 dated 17.01.2025.

9. The sanction has been entered in the Grant-in-aid Register (CNA) at Sl. No. 4 of the financial year 2024-25.

Yours faithfully,



(Satyendra Kumar Singh)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

17.01.2025
11.01.31-Grant-in-Aid General -2024-25
(NER)

Copy for information and necessary action to:-

1. The Vice-Chancellor, Central Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies, Sarnath Central Nodal Agency for implementing the scheme of Financial Assistance for the Development of Buddhist/ Tibetan Culture & Art.
2. The President/Secretary to the grantee Organization with the directions to strictly adhere to the terms and conditions mentioned in Para 2 and Para 3 above.
3. The Drawing and Disbursing Officer (Grant-in-aid), Ministry of Culture, New Delhi
4. IFD w.r.t the concurrence for expenditure conveyed vide its Dy. No.66326 dated 17.01.2025.
5. Accountant General of Concerned State.
6. Planning and Budget Section
7. Guard File.