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ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi – 110 001

No. 491/SVEEP/Budget/2015

Dated : 9th June, 2015

To,

The Chief Electoral Officers of
all States/UTs.

Subject:- Release of SVEEP fund for Financial Year 2015-16 - regarding

Sir/Madam,

The Commission has decided to release funds to all States/UTs to the tune of Rs.11 Crore in the Financial Year 2015-16.

2. The fund will be released in two instalments of 50% each and will be released only to those States/UTs who have furnished the comprehensive/correct utilisation certificate for the previous years. The second instalment of 50% of fund will be released only to those States/UTs who have successfully utilised the fund of first instalment and submitted the correct utilisation certificate by **31st October, 2015**. The prescribed format of utilisation certificate for the Financial Year 2015-16 is enclosed herewith.

3. The Commission has approved Rs.10 Lakh for State/UT HQs and Rs.1,09,629.63 (approx) for each District. However, CEOs have the flexibility to utilise the funds earmarked for the districts at State HQs for any state level intervention/s under SVEEP.

4. The first instalment of 50% of fund under ECI Grant-in-Aid can be utilised for NERPAP (National Electoral Roll Purification and Authentication Programme) activities. The second instalment that shall be released after getting Utilization Certificate of first instalment may be used for action proposed under SVEEP-III, which is being chalked out.

5. As the entire cost of any event/media insertion/literacy campaign is not possible to be met from ECI budget, the remaining expenditure under SVEEP shall be met from the State budget under the sub head 103-ER. There should not be any duplication of expenditure from ECI Grant-in-Aid and from State Budget.

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6. It has been observed that some States/UTs are not fully utilising the funds and surrendering the residual fund to the Commission after closing of the Financial Year. I am directed to say that the States/UTs should try to utilise the entire fund released to them, and if not able to utilise the full amount due to any reason/s, the residual fund may be submitted to the Commission well before the closing of Financial Year so that it can be shared with other States/UTs who require additional funds.

7. The States/UTs may also inform well in time, if they do not require the fund for the Financial Year 2015-16 or the second instalment for the current financial year.

Yours faithfully,



(PADMA ANGMO)
DEPUTY SECRETARY