To,

The Pay & Accounts Officer (Sectt.),
Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs,
Nirman Bhawan,
New Delhi.

Sub: Release of balance payment of Rs. 143,91,35,000/- to Government of Rajasthan against the second instalment of eligible committed Central Assistance (CA) (40% of the maximum eligible CA for Rajasthan) against SAAPs - I, II & III for the entire Mission period, i.e., 2015-2020 under Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) – Reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Ministry’s sanction orders of even no. dated 05.9.2018 and 18.12.2018 and convey the sanction of the competent authority for the release of an amount of Rs. 143,91,35,000/- (Rupees One Hundred Forty-Three Crore Ninety-One Lakh and Thirty-Five Thousand only) to Government of Rajasthan. This amount is being released as balance payment towards the 2nd instalment of the eligible Central Assistance for the entire Mission period under Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) as project funds for implementation of projects related to Water Supply, Sewerage & Septage Management, Storm Water Drainage and Parks/Green spaces approved for the entire Mission in State Annual Action Plan (SAAPs) - I, II & III of State of Rajasthan.

2. The total approved size of the SAAPs of State of Rajasthan is Rs. 3,223.94 crore and the maximum commitment of Government of India to State of Rajasthan is Rs. 1,541.95 crore for the entire Mission period, i.e., 2015-2020. However, based on the “approved cost” of tendered projects as defined in Para 9.4 of Mission guidelines and submission of State Government, the maximum commitment of Government of India to State of Rajasthan against the tendered projects of AMRUT is calculated to be Rs. 1,409.58 crore.

3. Earlier, Rs. 419,12,68,000/- has been released to the State Government in two tranches vide sanction orders of even no. dated 05.9.2018 and 18.12.2018 for Rs.268,31,00,000/- and Rs.150,81,68,000/- respectively against part-payment towards 2nd instalment of committed Central Assistance. Also, amounts of Rs. 78,97,000/- (interest earned by the State till 31.12.2017 on CA released to them) and Rs.4,20,44,639/- (penal interest levied due to delay in transfer of funds to the nodal account of State Mission Director) have been adjusted while calculating the eligibility of the State for 2nd instalment of CA against all 3 SAAPs.
4. However, consequent to the modification in para 9.5 of Mission guidelines vide order no. K-16015/1/2019-AMRUT-1B dated 05.4.2019, the provision for application of penal interest due to delayed transfer of funds to the nodal account of the State Mission Director stands abolished with retrospective effect.

5. Therefore, the amount of Rs. 143,91,35,000/- being released currently as the balance payment against 2nd instalment of committed Central Assistance may be read as under:

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<th>2nd instalment of CA as per approved cost of projects (40% of the eligible CA as per Para 2 above)</th>
<th>Interest earned accrued up to 31.12.2017 on CA eligible as per sanction orders dt. 05.09.18 &amp; 18.12.18</th>
<th>Eligible Part 2nd instalment of CA against contract sanctioned project</th>
<th>Part 2nd instalment already released vide sanction orders</th>
<th>Balance 2nd instalment being released now</th>
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<td>(a) 563,83,00,000</td>
<td>(b) 78,97,000</td>
<td>(c) = (a) - (b) 563,04,03,000</td>
<td>(d) 419,12,68,000</td>
<td>(e) = (c) - (d) 143,91,35,000</td>
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6. Post release of the instant balance payment of Rs. 143,91,35,000/-, the total CA accrued with the State Government as 2nd instalment of all 3 SAAPs amounts to Rs.563,83,00,000/-. State Government is therefore not eligible for any further release as 2nd instalment of CA against SAAPs I, II or III under AMRUT. Moreover, excess release of CA made, if any, will be adjusted while releasing the 3rd / final instalment of CA to the State.

7. Diversion of Central Grants for purposes other than the Mission projects is not allowed and shall entail levy of penal interest on the amount and any other action by the Apex Committee and may include adverse effect on release of grants.

8. As per the provisions of the Mission guidelines and to avoid any delay in timely implementation and completion of the projects, State Government is required to ensure release of the Central Assistance funds along with State share to the nodal account of the State Mission Director within one month of release of Central share by the Ministry. The State Mission Director, by adopting the just in time approach of release of funds through PFMS and by tracking the physical progress through UC, shall ensure that parking of funds is avoided and funds are released to ULBs on time.

9. This release will be governed in terms of provisions of GFR. The amount of Central Assistance should be kept in separate account and be open to inspection/Audit as per provisions.

10. State Government may take necessary action in respect of observations/ comments made by Apex Committee and recorded in the minutes of 1st, 9th and 14th meetings of Apex Committee.

11. The sanction has been entered at Sl. No. 06 of the appropriate head of the sanction register maintained in AMRUT-1B section for the financial year 2019-20.

12. The expenditure involved is debitable to the Budget Head 3601.06.101.24.01.35 under Grant No. 56 - Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs for the year 2019-20.
13. The amount of Rs. 143,91,35,000/- will be credited to the State Government’s account to RBI as per procedure laid down by Ministry of Finance, Department Expenditure vide OM No. F-II (45/76/SC) dated 22.02.1977.

14. This issues with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division vide file no. E-3125948 dated 06.6.2019 and approval of competent authority.

Yours faithfully,

(Rajesh Kumar)
Under Secretary to the Government of India

Copy to:

1. Additional Chief Secretary, Urban Development and Housing Department, Government of Rajasthan. The amount released should be utilised for the purpose for which it has been sanctioned and utilization Certificate may be furnished within six months.

2. The Accountant General (A&E), Rajasthan, Jaipur.

3. Guard File of the Section.

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