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

Subject: Release of part payment of Rs. 46,02,76,000/- to Government of Karnataka against the second instalment (40%) of total committed Central Assistance (CA) (the total committed Central Assistance for Karnataka being Rs. 2318.79 Crore) against SAAPs - I, II & III for the entire Mission period, i.e., 2015-2020 under Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT).

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the competent authority for the release of an amount of Rs. 46,02,76,000/- (Rupees Forty Six Crore Two Lakh and Seventy Six Thousand only) to Government of Karnataka. This amount is being released as second part payment towards the 2nd instalment being 40% of the total committed Central Assistance of Rs. 2318.79 Crore 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, Urban transport (Non-Motorized) and Parks/Green spaces approved for the entire Mission in State Annual Action Plan (SAAPs) I, II & III. The total size of the SAAPs of Karnataka is Rs. 4952.87 Crore and the maximum commitment of Government of India to Karnataka is Rs. 2318.79 crore for the entire Mission period, i.e., 2015-2020.

2. The 1st instalment of 20% of committed Central Assistance against individual SAAPs was released on the basis of estimated project cost. Further, the instant part-payment against the 2nd instalment is being released on the basis of estimated cost for certain projects and approved cost for the remaining projects. Any excess or shortfall in the funds released as Central Assistance shall be adjusted while releasing the remaining part of 2nd instalment and /or the 3rd instalment of Central Assistance. The approved cost is the appraised cost or the tendered cost of the project (whichever is less) and has to be taken into account by the SHPSC.

3. Earlier, Rs. 88,08,20,000/- has been released to the State Government vide sanction order of even no. dated 22.03.2018 as first part-payment against 2nd instalment of committed Central Assistance. The amount of Rs. 46,02,76,000/- being released currently as second part payment may be read as under:

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<th>2nd instalment (40%) of committed CA</th>
<th>Eligible amount for release as 2nd instalment of committed CA</th>
<th>Part-payment already released against (d) vide sanction order of even no. dated 22.03.2018</th>
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<td>927,52,00,000</td>
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All amounts in Rupees
4. In view of the Model Code of Conduct prevailing in Karnataka on account of the upcoming general elections to the Legislative Assembly, the instant funds are being released with special permission of the Election Commission of India (ECI), subject to certain terms and conditions. State Government will therefore ensure strict adherence to the Model Code of Conduct and the conditions mentioned by the ECI vide its letter no. 437/6/CG/LA-KT/ECI/LET/FUNCT/MCC/2018 dated 28.03.2018 as reproduced below:

i. Absolutely no publicity in this regard shall be made in electronic, print, radio, internet or any other media, in any form whatsoever.

ii. No political functionary shall make any reference in this regard during any public speech or communication to the press or public.

iii. These restrictions on publicity will be applicable to the Central government as well as State Government.

iv. The relevant provisions of Model Code of Conduct issued by the Commission shall be strictly followed.

5. 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.

6. As per the provision of the Mission’s Guidelines, State Government is required to release 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 otherwise interest at the rate specified by the Ministry of Finance shall be levied on the State for delay and appropriate deductions made from future instalments.

7. 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.

8. State Government may take necessary action in respect of observations/ comments made by Apex Committee and recorded in the minutes of 5th, 12th & 16th meetings of Apex Committee.

9. As per the provision of the Mission Guidelines, State will become eligible for release of subsequent instalments after utilization of at least 75% of the Central Assistance already released to it along with at least 75% of matching State share. State Government, vide UC dated 03.03.2018, has submitted that Rs. 353.23 crore, i.e., 76.16% of Rs. 463.76 crore released as 1st instalment of committed CA against all 3 SAAPs has been utilized by it. Further, Rs. 401.25 crore, i.e., 76.17% of the matching State + ULB + Other’s share has also been utilized by the State as per UCs dated 03.03.2018.

10. State Government will be required to submit the certification report by the Independent Review and Monitoring Agency (IRMA) appointed for Karnataka that the service level benchmarks, as assured in the roadmap contained in the SAAPs, have been achieved. State Government will also be required to submit the action taken report on the observations of IRMA against individual projects. These reports may be submitted by the State Government within 90 days of the selection of IRMA for Karnataka and 25% funds against the combined 2nd instalment of all 3 SAAPs will be released thereafter.
11. The sanction has been entered at Sl. No. 52 of the appropriate head of the sanction register maintained in AMRUT-1B section for the FY 2017-18.

12. The expenditure involved is debitable to the Major Head 3601 – Grant in Aid to State Govts, 06 - Centrally Sponsored Plan Scheme, 101- Central Assistance/Share, 24-Urban Rejuvenation Mission- 500 Habitations (AMRUT), 24.01.35-Grants for creation of Capital Assets under Grant No. 97 - Ministry of Urban Development of the year 2017-18 (Plan).

13. The amount of Rs. 46,02,76,000/- 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-3128163 dated 19.03.2018 and approval of competent authority.

Yours' faithfully

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Under Secretary (AMRUT-IIB)
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Copy to: -

1. Secretary, Housing and Urban Development Department, Government of Karnataka. The amount released should be utilised for the purpose for which it has been sanctioned and utilization status be furnished within six months.
2. The Accountant General (A&E), Karnataka, Bengaluru.
4. The Principal Director of Audit, Economic & Service Ministries, AGCR Building, I.P. Estate, New Delhi-110002.
5. Integrated Finance Division, MoHUA.
6. Guard File of the Section.