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Government of India
Ministry of Home Affairs

North Block, New Delhi
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To

Chief Secretaries of all the States/UTs
(As per list enclosed)

Subject: Revised guidelines for availing central assistance for operation of a Faculty of Disaster Management in State level training institutes.

Sir,

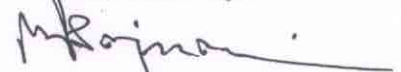
Kindly refer to the revised guidelines , circulated vide DO letter of even number dated 10.08.2004 from Joint Secretary and Central Relief Commissioner in this Ministry, for availing central assistance for operation of a Faculty of Disaster Management in State level training institutes. This Ministry has received requests from some State Governments/training institutes for relaxation in the conditions of utilization of the financial assistance provided for creation/operation of a Disaster Management Faculty in the training institutes. The matter has been reconsidered and with a view to provide greater flexibility in regard to utilization of funds released for the faculty, the guidelines have been modified further.

2. It will now be open to the State Governments/the Institute concerned to meet the expenditure on pay and allowances of any of the four faculty members from their own resources and utilize the corresponding portion of the central assistance to meet part of the expenditure on organization of training programmes and provision of supporting staff. However, the ceiling of Rs.15 lakh for the amount of assistance per year under the revised guidelines will remain subject to the induction of four faculty members and organization of a minimum of 20(twenty) training programmes for at least 400 participants during the year, the total duration of these training programmes being not less than 100 working days in a year .

2. A copy of the latest revised guidelines is enclosed for information and further necessary action.

Encl:As above

Yours faithfully,



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(National Disaster Management Division)

Subject: Revised guidelines for availing Central assistance for operation of a faculty of Disaster Management in State level training institutes.

Government of India is providing financial assistance to Administrative Training Institutes/State Institutes of Rural Development or other training institutes in States/UTs, for strengthening training facilities in the area of disaster mitigation and management. The assistance is given under a Central Sector Plan Scheme which had been initiated by the Ministry of Agriculture during the 8th Five Year Plan and has continued over the 9th and 10th Five Year Plans. The responsibility for operation of the Scheme was transferred to the Ministry of Home Affairs with effect from June 2002.

2. Under the existing guidelines, the Government of India provides grant assistance of upto a maximum of Rs.10 lakh per year to the administrative training institutes etc designated by the State Governments/UT Administrations, for **operation of a faculty of disaster management in the institute**. Generally, the assistance is provided to one institute in a State but support to more institutes may be considered depending on the need, subject to the availability of resources. It is the responsibility of the State Government/ training institute concerned to meet the expenditure beyond the maximum limit of Central assistance envisaged under the scheme for operation of the faculty.

3. Keeping in view the need to strengthen the disaster management training faculties in the States, it has been decided that the assistance provided by the Government of India for operation of a faculty of disaster management in the designated training institutes at State /UT level will now be subject to the following **revised guidelines**:

a) The faculty of disaster management will act as a focal point at the State/UT level for imparting training in the field of disaster prevention, mitigation, preparedness, response, relief and rehabilitation to the various stakeholders. The faculty will also undertake research, studies, documentation, and development of database etc. in disaster management related aspects and actively liaise with the State Department of Disaster Management or Relief/Revenue/Home department or any other department of the State Government which has been entrusted with the nodal responsibility for disaster management in the State.

b) Assistance for operation of a faculty of disaster management will be provided only to the training institute identified/designated by the State Government/UT Administration. The Institute so designated may be the Administrative Training Institute in the State, the State Institute of Rural Development, a University or any other suitable training institute in the State which receives support from the State Government and/or is under its administrative control and supervision.

lesser number of programmes are organized or the total number of persons trained/working days allotted to the programmes is less.

(h) The National Institute of Disaster Management(NIDM) under the Ministry of Home Affairs will provide technical assistance and guidance to the faculties of disaster management in the training institutes. The role of NIDM in this context will include holding annual meetings of the Heads of the faculties of disaster management, supporting development of training capsules for specified target groups, and organizing training of faculty members of the institutes in different aspects of disaster management. The role of NIDM vis-à-vis the designated training institutes will essentially be that of a facilitator. The Administrative control over the faculty would continue to vest with the training institute/State Government concerned.

(i) The selection of faculty members would be processed by the Institute concerned in consultation with the State Government Department which has the nodal responsibility for disaster management as well as the Department which is responsible for the financing/management of the institute.

(j) The Institutes concerned will submit a quarterly report on the activities of faculty of disaster management to the State Government, the National Institute of Disaster Management and the National Disaster Management Division of the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India