K-16015/19/2017-AMRUT-1B Government of India Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs AMRUT-I Division

Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi Dated: 01st November, 2017

To,

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

Subject: Release of first instalment of Central Assistance (CA) amounting to Rs. 35,00,000/- (20% of the approved Central Assistance of Rs. 1.73 Crores against SAAP-III) to Govt. of Lakshadweep under Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT).

I am directed to convey the sanction of the competent authority for the release of an amount of Rs. 35,00,000/- (Rupees Thirty-Five Lakhs only) to Government of Lakshadweep. This amount is being released as 1st instalment being 20% of the approved Central Assistance of Rs. 1.73 Crores towards project funds under Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) for implementation of projects related to Water Supply, Urban Mobility and Parks approved in SAAP-III. The total approved size of State Annual Action Plan (SAAP) of Lakshadweep is Rs. 1.73 Crores for Balance Mission period, i.e., 2017-20.

2. The payment is being released on the basis of estimated project cost and any excess or shortfall in the 1st instalment shall be adjusted while releasing the 2nd instalment of Central Assistance based on approved cost.

3. 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.

4. 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.

5. 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.

6. State Govt. may take necessary action in respect of observations/ comments made by Apex Committee and recorded in the Minutes of 17th meeting of Apex Committee held on 15.03.2017 and addendum to the 17th Apex Committee meeting dated 17.04.2017.

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7. Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) is a new Mission and presently no utilization certificate is pending from the UT Admn. against SAAP-III under the Mission.

8. The sanction has been entered at Sl. No. 04 of the sanction register maintained by AMRUT-1B section.

9. The expenditure involved is debitable to the Major Head 2217 – Urban Development, 05 – Other Urban Development Schemes, 191- Assistance to Municipal Corporations, 16-Urban Rejuvenation Mission- 500 Habitations (AMRUT), 16.01.35-Grants for creation of capital assets under Grant No. 97 - Ministry of Urban Development of the year 2017-18 (Plan).

10. Principal Account Office, Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs may issue Letter of Authority in favour of Pay & Account Officer of Union Territory of Lakshadweep.

11. This issues with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division vide e-file no. E-3132027 dated 23.10.2017.

Yours' faithfully

(Shiv Pal Singh)

Director (AMRUT-1) Tel: 011-23062399

Copy to: -

- 1. Secretary (Works), Lakshadweep PWD, UT Administration of Lakshadweep. The amount released should be utilised for the purpose for which it has been sanctioned and <u>utilization status be furnished within six months</u>.
- 2. The Accountant General (A&E), Lakshadweep.

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- 3. Budget and Account Section, MoHUA.
- 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.

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