### GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH PLANNING DEPARTMENT ITANAGAR

# GUIDELINES ON MEMBER OF LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY LOCAL AREA DEVELOPMENT (MLALAD) SCHEME (WITH AMENDMENTS)

#### 1. OBJECTIVE

- 1.1 MLAs are approached by their constituents, quiet often, for small work of capital nature to be done in their constituencies. Hence, there was a demand made by MLAs that they should be able to recommend works to be done in their constituencies. Considering these demands, the Government has decided to introduce "MLAs Local Area Development Scheme" from the year 2000-2001.
- **1.2** Under the scheme, each MLA will have the choice to suggest to the Deputy Commissioner of his district works, to the extent of allocations given from year to year, to be taken up in his/her constituency.

### 2. SALIENT FEATURES OF THE SCHEME

- **1.1** Each MLA will give a choice of works to the concerned Deputy Commissioners and also choose the Government agencies for implementation of the scheme in the districts as per established procedure. The Deputy Commissioners will get them implemented through the Govt. Agencies as desired by the concerned MLA.
- 1.2 The works under this scheme shall be developmental in nature based on locally felt needs. The type of works should be such that it can be completed within one financial year and lead to the creation of durable assets. Funds provided under the scheme should not be used for incurring revenue expenditure. The sites selected for execution of works by the MLA shall not be changed except with the concurrence of the MLA himself.
- 1.3 The following is an illustrative list of the works that may be taken up under this scheme:-
- a) Housing Assistance life Roofing material, cement etc.
- Construction of buildings for schools, hostels, libraries and other buildings of educational institutions belonging to Government.
- Providing drinking water to the people in the village, towns or cities by digging tube-wells or other works which may help in this respect.
- d) Construction of village roads or approach roads.
- e) Construction of bridges on the approach roads and village roads.
- f) Construction of buildings for local bodies or for cultural and sports activities or for hospitals.
- g) Social forestry, farm-forestry, horticulture, pastures, parks and gardens in Government and community land.
- h) Construction of public irrigation channels and public drainage schemes.
- i) Construction of common gobar plants, non-conventional energy system/devices for community use.
- j) Construction of small irrigation bandhs.
- k) Public Libraries and reading rooms.
- Creches and Anganwadis.
- m) Construction of public health care buildings, including family welfare subcentres together with the ANM residential quarters.

- n) Crematoriums and structures on burial/cremation grounds.
- construction of Public Toilets and Bathrooms.
- p) Footpaths, pathways and foot bridges.
- q) Provision of civic amenities like electricity, water, pathways, public toilets etc. in slum areas of cities, towns and villages, provision of common work sheds in slums and for artisans.
- r) Bus Sheds/Stops for public transport passengers.
- s) Veterinary Aid Centres, artificial insemination centres breeding centres.
- t) Purchase of School Furniture.
- u) Scheme relating to Land Development Work.
- v) 10% of the MLALAD fund can be spent outside the Constituency of the MLA subject to all other conditions in the scheme.
- w) This fund can be used as State matching share for taking up of distinct and independent components of Centrally Sponsored Schemes, for which physical and financial records can be maintained for State and Central shares separately. Such contribution from MLALAD Fund for CSS will be applicable only for those works which will create durable assets for public use at large and the ownership of which would vest with Government. The proposed scheme must also conform to all the guidelines of MLALADS.
- x) Purchase of medicines.
- y) Provision of medical equipments of basic/elementary type, X-Ray machine, ECG machine etc.
- z) Conducting Health Awareness Programmes / Eye Camps etc.

# **1.4** The following list of works, in particular, **shall not be allowed under** this scheme:

- a) Office buildings, residential buildings, and other buildings of registered societies, private institutions or cooperative institutions.
- b) Grants and loans.
- c) Memorials or Memorial buildings.
- d) Purchase of inventory or stock of any type.
- e) Acquisition of land or any compensation for land acquired.
- f) Places for religious worship.
- g) As State matching share towards implementation of individual beneficiary oriented schemes, such as Indira Awas Yojana (IAY), etc.
- **1.5** The Deputy Commissioners should ensure that provision for maintenance and upkeep of the works to be taken up under this scheme is forthcoming from the concerned local body or the relevant agency.

### 2. SANCTION AND EXECUTION OF WORKS

- 2.1 Upon receipt of the recommendations from the concerned MLA regarding the works to be executed in the constituency, the Deputy Commissioner will proceed to get them implemented through the Govt. agency as desired by the concerned MLA in the District by following the established procedures including those relating to grant of technical sanctions and according of administrative approval.
- 2.2 If the Deputy Commissioner is unable to ensure the consideration and taking up of any works suggested by the MLAs in the foregoing manner, he should send a comprehensive report with reason to the concerned MLA immediately.
- 2.3 When there is a change in MLA for whatever reason, it may be the following principles should be followed as far as possible in executing works.

- > If the work identified by the predecessor MLA is under execution, it should be completed.
- If the work identified by the predecessor MLA is pending sanction due to administrative reasons beyond a period of 45 days from the date on which advice was received for taking up the work, it should also be executed provided the work is otherwise as per norms.
- ➤ If the predecessor MLA had identified the work, but it was not taken up for execution because of reasons other than those mentioned in the preceding sub-para, it can be executed subject to the confirmation of the successor MLA.
- > Only elected MLA can recommend schemes under MLALADS.
- In the event of death of a sitting MLA the fund will be utilised only on recommendation of new MLA as and when he or she formally elected.
- 2.4 Since the works under this scheme would be implemented by the State Government agencies, Deputy Commissioner of the respective districts would be responsible for the coordination and overall supervision of the works under this scheme in their respective districts.
- 2.5 The Planning Department would have the nodal responsibilities for this scheme and will issue general instructions/guidelines about the implementation of the scheme as may be requested from time to time.
- 2.6 The normal financial and audit procedures shall apply to all actions taken under this scheme. The Deputy Commissioner and the implementing agencies will be accountable for the successful implementation of the works and also for proper use of the funds under the scheme and maintenance of records.

## 3. MONITORING ARRANGEMENTS

**3.1** For effective implementation of the works taken up under this scheme, physical monitoring through field inspection should be carried out by the Deputy Commissioners. Similarly, it should be the responsibility of the senior officers of implementing agencies of these works to regularly visit these works and ensure that the works are progressing satisfactorily as per the prescribed procedures and specifications. Likewise, officers of district at the sub-divisional and block level must also closely monitor implementation of these works through visits to work sites. Further, Head of District shall also involve the MLA in field inspection and monitoring to the maximum extent feasible.

### 4. FUND ALLOCATIONS

- **4.1** The funds allocated by the State Government under the scheme would be shown under the grants of districts administration. The funds will be lapsable and the schemes taken up for a particular year must be completed in the same financial year in which it is sanctioned.
- 4.2 In case of any MLA is not interested in utilising the funds, he/she may write to the Secretary (Planning) so that such funds can be withdrawn.

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