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Subject: Minutes of the Joint Review Meeting (JRM) held under the Chairpersonship of Director(SSPU), MoSPI on 27th May, 2022 to discuss the status of implementation of the SSS sub-scheme in the State of Uttar Pradesh.

A Joint Review Meeting (online) was held under the Chairpersonship of Director(SSPU), MoSPI on 27.05.2022 to review the status of implementation of SSS sub-scheme in the State of Uttar Pradesh.

2. The list of participants is given at **Annexure**.
3. At the outset, the Chairperson welcomed all the participants and called the meeting to order. Thereupon, the Chairperson invited Joint Director (SSPU) to apprise the participants of the status of implementation of the sub-scheme in the State. It was noted that as per the Monthly Progress Report (MPR) for the month of April, 2022, the State has reported an expenditure of Rs.8.45 crore which is 77.23% of effective release amount of Rs.10.94 crore.
4. Thereafter, the progress of the individual activities delineated in the signed MoU was discussed. The details of deliberations held are given as under:
 - i. In respect of Activity 1(a) “*Development of GIS based State Statistical Portal*”, the detailed status column may be rectified stating the current status of implementation.
 - ii. In respect of Activity 1(b) “*Development of offline/ online data entry modules for various statistical products/ reports*”, it has been mentioned in the MPR that the data entry modules in respect of the first 9 indices have already been developed by DES. DES was requested to indicate the date of completion in respect of all the indices. Additionally, it was advised that 100% progress may be reported in the MPR against the said indices. The same was suggested for other completed activities, viz. 1(d)[1], 5(a) and 5(b) also.

- iii. In respect of Activity 1(c) "*Development of Dash Board based on State Indicator Framework and District Indicator framework, in order to Monitor SDG goals*", it was informed by DES that Rs. 0.05 crore has been transferred to the Planning Department. DES was requested to expedite the implementation of SDG related activities and provide an action plan along with tentative timelines for the same.
- iv. In respect of activity 3(a) "*Preparation of District and Block Development index*", it was noted that the said activity was proposed to be dropped in the revised State Programme sent by DES, U.P in May, 2021, which was subsequently approved in the Ministry in June, 2021. However, during the meeting, the DES informed that the activity has not been dropped and the District level work has been completed while block-level work is underway. The DES was requested to provide clarification regarding this activity as the amount allocated to this activity was adjusted in the revised state programme.
- v. DES was requested by the Chairperson to use the word "Personnel" in respect of Activity 4(a) "*Induction / Refresher Training of statistical personnel of DES & Line Departments*", instead of the generic term "Youth" in future MPRs.
- vi. A query was raised by DES, as to whether the Travelling Allowance (T.A) and Daily Allowance (D.A) associated with attending workshops in component 4, admissible to the attendees, be remitted from the funds available under the sub-scheme. In response, Director (SSPU) had commented that in accordance with the sub - scheme guidelines, the expenses in the kind "Recurring Expenditure" are only to be borne by the State from their own resources and all other associated expenditure related to the activity can be remitted from the funds under the sub-scheme subject to approval from SIC.
- vii. In respect of Activities 6(a) and 6(c) relating to workshops, the targets against these activities, as per MoU, may be provided.
- viii. It was suggested that Statistics Day may be celebrated and the corresponding expenditure may be shown under Component 9.
- ix. In respect of Activity 8(m), viz., "*Establishment of Library in DES*", it was informed by DES that due to the non-availability of space, the activity is likely to be dropped. However, in case the DES takes up this activity in the future, it may ensure that no activity requiring recurring cost is undertaken from the SSS funds.
- x. It is intimated by DES that Activity 9(b), viz., "*Digitization of old Statistical handbooks/ publications/ policy makers, etc*" has been

- completed in-house, without incurring expenditure on the funds available under the SSS sub-scheme.
5. The DES was requested to carry out the following in the MPRs for a comprehensive picture of the progress of the scheme:
- i. The status/ progress of activities may be explicitly mentioned and should be in line with the objectives and expected outcomes as detailed in the Revised State Programme, approved by the Ministry, in June, 2021.
 - ii. The DES was requested to specify the date of start and tentative date of completion in the MPRs for the activities which are ongoing and the tentative date of start may be mentioned against the activities which are yet to be taken. These dates may be reviewed and necessary revisions may be made regularly wherever required.
 - iii. DES was requested to review all the activities which are either ongoing or completed and prepare an action plan for successful implementation of the sub-scheme in the State and to share it with the Ministry within a fortnight.
 - iv. It was also emphasized that “transfers to the line departments” should not be shown as expenditure in the MPR. In the remarks column, it may be stated that the fund has been transferred to the concerned line department for execution of the activity, however, it can be shown in the expenditure only when there is a confirmation from the line department of utilization of the transferred funds.
 - v. Bank Reconciliation Statement (BRS)/Statement of Account in respect of PFMS saving account being maintained by DES and line departments may be furnished to this Ministry on a quarterly.
 - vi. DES to ensure timely submission of interest accrued through the Bharatkosh portal.
6. The Chairperson opined that the activities which are yet to be undertaken may be reviewed and suggested that in case the State, at any stage, desires to drop or replace any of the existing activities listed in the MoSPI approved revised State Programme, the proposal comprising proper justifications for inclusion/dropping may be sent to the Ministry after obtaining approval from SHLSC for further consideration and approval by the Ministry.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Annexure

List of participants

Ministry of Statistics & PI, GOI:

1. Ms. Neha Srivastava, Director
2. Shri D.S. Misra, Joint Director
3. Ms. A. Kiruthika, Deputy Director
4. Shri K. Chattopadhyay, Junior Statistical Officer

DES, Government of Uttar Pradesh:

1. Ms. Divya Sarin Mehrotra, Joint Director
2. Shri Gopal Sharma, Joint Director
3. Shri Vinod Kumar, Deputy Director
4. Ms. Vaswati Mukherjee, Additional Statistical Officer
5. Shri Narendra Kumar, Additional Statistical Officer
6. Shri Rajendra Chaudhury, Additional Statistical Officer
7. Shri Dinesh Kumar, Additional Statistical Officer