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Re: India: IBRD Loan No. 9291-IN (Meghalaya Health Systems Strengthening Project)
Additional Instructions: Disbursement and Financial Information Letter ("DFIL")

Mr. Sukhbir Singh,

I refer to the Loan Agreement between India (the "Borrower") and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (the "World Bank") for the Meghalaya Health Systems Strengthening Project. The General Conditions, as defined in the Loan Agreement, provide that the Borrower may from time to time request withdrawals of Loan Amounts from the Loan Account in accordance with the Disbursement and Financial Information Letter (DFIL), and such additional instructions as the World Bank may specify from time to time by notice to the Borrower. The General Conditions also provide that the DFIL may specify Project specific financial reporting requirements.

I. Disbursement Arrangements, Withdrawal and Reporting of Loan Funds

The *Disbursement Guidelines for Investment Project Financing*, dated February 2017, ("Disbursement Guidelines") are available in the World Bank's public website at <https://www.worldbank.org> and its secure web-based portal (<https://clientconnection.worldbank.org>) "Client Connection". The Disbursement Guidelines are an integral part of the DFIL, and the manner in which the provisions in the Disbursement Guidelines apply to the loan is specified below.

(i) Disbursement Arrangements

Schedule 1 sets out the disbursement methods which may be used by the Borrower, information on registration of authorized signatures, processing of withdrawal applications (including minimum value of applications), and instructions on supporting documentation.

(ii) Electronic Delivery. Refer to section 10.01 (c) of the General Conditions.

The World Bank may permit the Borrower to electronically deliver applications (with supporting documents) through the World Bank's web-based portal "Client Connection". This option may be effected if the officials designated in writing by the Borrower who are authorized to sign and deliver Applications have registered as users of "Client Connection". The designated officials may deliver Applications electronically by completing the Form 2380, which is accessible through "Client Connection". By signing the Authorized Signatory Letter, the Borrower confirms that it is authorizing such persons to accept Secure Identification Credentials (SIDC) and to deliver the Applications and supporting documents to the World

Bank by electronic means. The Borrower may continue to exercise the option of preparing and delivering Applications in paper form. The World Bank reserves the right and may, in its sole discretion, temporarily or permanently disallow the electronic delivery of Applications by the Borrower. By designating officials to use SIDC and by choosing to deliver the Applications electronically, the Borrower confirms through the authorized signatory letter its agreement to: (a) abide by the Terms and Conditions of Use of Secure Identification Credentials in connection with Use of Electronic Means to Process Applications and Supporting Documentation, available in the World Bank's public website at <https://worldbank.org> and "Client Connection"; and (b) to cause such official to abide by those terms and conditions.

II. Financial Reports and Audits

(i) Financial Reports. The Borrower, through the Project Management Unit, will prepare and furnish to the World Bank not later than forty-five (45) days after the end of each calendar quarter, interim unaudited financial reports ("IFR") for the Project covering the financial information of the corresponding quarter.

(ii) Audits. The Comptroller and Auditor General of India will be the external auditor for the project. Each audit of the Financial Statements must cover the period of one fiscal year of the Borrower, commencing with the fiscal year in which the first withdrawal was made. The audited Financial Statements for each such period must be furnished to the World Bank not later than nine (9) months after the end of such period.

III. Other Information

For additional information on disbursement arrangements, please refer to the Loan Handbook available on the World Bank's website (<http://www.worldbank.org/>) and "Client Connection". The World Bank recommends that you register as a user of "Client Connection". From this website you will be able to prepare and deliver Applications, monitor the near real-time status of the Grant, and retrieve related policy, financial, and procurement information. For more information about the website and registration arrangements, or if you have any queries in relation to the above, please contact the World Bank by email at AskLoans@WorldBank.org using the reference **IBRD Loan No. 9291-IN (Meghalaya Health Systems Strengthening Project)**.

Yours sincerely,



Junaid Kamal Ahmad
Country Director
India

Attachments

1. Form of Authorized Signatory Letter
2. Interim unaudited Financial Report (IFR)

Schedule 1 : Disbursement Provisions

Basic Information					
Loan Number	9291-IN	Country	India	Closing Date	Section III.B.2. of Schedule 2 to the Loan Agreement
		Borrower	India (DEA/CAAA)		
		Name of the Project	Meghalaya Health Systems Strengthening Project	Disbursement Deadline Date Subsection 3.7 **	Four months after the closing date.
Disbursement Methods, and Supporting Documentation					
Disbursement Methods Section 2 (**)	Applicability	Supporting Documentation Subsections 4.3 and 4.4 (**)			
Direct Payment	No	Not Applicable			
Reimbursement	Yes	Interim unaudited Financial Report in the format provided in Attachment 2			
Advance – Designated Account	No	Interim unaudited Financial Report in the format provided in Attachment 2			
Special Commitments	No	Not Applicable			
Designated Account (Sections 5 and 6 **)					
Not Applicable					
Minimum Value of Applications (subsection 3.5)					
The minimum value of applications is Not Applicable.					
Authorized Signatures (Subsection 3.1 and 3.2 **) The form for Authorized Signatories Letter is provided in Attachment 1 of this letter Withdrawal and Documentation Applications (Subsection 3.3 and 3.4 **)					
Authorized Signatories Letter (ASL). The ASL will be sent to the following address: The World Bank No. 11, Taramani Main Road Taramani, Chennai – 600 113, India Attention: WFACS Unit.					
Withdrawal Applications (WAs). All WAs and its supporting documentation will be electronically sent through the World Bank’s system ClientConnection.					
Additional Instructions					

** Sections and subsections relate to the "Disbursement Guidelines for Investment Project Financing, dated February 2017"

[Attachment 1 – Form of Authorized Signatory Letter]

[Letterhead]
Ministry of Finance
[Street address]
[City] [Country]

[DATE]

The World Bank
1818 H Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20433
United States of America

Attention: Mr. Junaid Kamal Ahmad, *Country Director*

Re: Loan No. 9291-IN (Meghalaya Health Systems Strengthening Project)

I refer to the Loan Agreement (“Agreement”) between the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (the “Bank”) and India (the “Borrower”), dated _____, providing the above Loan. For the purposes of Section 2.02 of the General Conditions as defined in the Agreement, any ¹[one] of the persons whose authenticated specimen signatures appear below is authorized on behalf of the Borrower to sign applications for withdrawal [and applications for a special commitment] under this Loan.

For the purpose of delivering Applications to the Bank, including by electronic means, ²[each] of the persons whose authenticated specimen signatures appears below is authorized on behalf of the Borrower, acting ³[individually] ⁴[jointly], to deliver Applications, and evidence in support thereof on the terms and conditions specified by the Bank.

⁵[This confirms that the Borrower is authorizing such persons to accept Secure Identification Credentials (SIDC) and to deliver the Applications and supporting documents to the World Bank by electronic means. In full recognition that the World Bank shall rely upon such representations

¹ Instruction to the Borrower: Stipulate if more than one person needs to sign Applications, and how many or which positions, and if any thresholds apply. *Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the Bank.*

² Instruction to the Borrower: Stipulate if more than one person needs to *jointly* sign Applications, if so, please indicate the actual number. *Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the Bank.*

³ Instruction to the Borrower: Use this bracket if any one of the authorized persons may sign; if this is not applicable, please delete. *Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the Bank.*

⁴ Instruction to the Borrower: Use this bracket only if several individuals must jointly sign each Application; if this is not applicable, please delete. *Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the Bank.*

⁵ Instruction to the Borrower: Add this paragraph if the Borrower wishes to authorize the listed persons to accept Secure Identification Credentials and to deliver Applications by electronic means; if this is not applicable, please delete the paragraph. *Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the Bank.*

and warranties, including without limitation, the representations and warranties contained in the *Terms and Conditions of Use of Secure Identification Credentials in connection with Use of Electronic Means to Process Applications and Supporting Documentation* (“Terms and Conditions of Use of SIDC”), the Borrower represents and warrants to the World Bank that it will cause such persons to abide by those terms and conditions.]

This Authorization replaces and supersedes any Authorization currently in the Bank records with respect to this Agreement.

[Name], [position] Specimen Signature: _____

[Name], [position] Specimen Signature: _____

[Name], [position] Specimen Signature: _____

Yours truly,

/ signed /

[Position]

Attachment 2 - Interim unaudited Financial Statements (IFR)

Meghalaya Health Systems Strengthening Project (Loan No. 9291-IN)

Statement of Sources and Uses of Funds

IUFR for the period __/__/20__ to __/__/20__

S.No	Particulars	Amount in INR IUFR-1	
		Current Period	YTD
	Sources of funds		
A	Opening balance		
	1) Project Bank Account		
	2) Advances (other than Contractual Advances)		
B	Receipts:		
	Funds drawn from Budget of Govt of Mizoram - Externally Aided Project		
	Interest Earned (If any)		
C	Uses of funds		
	Category 2 - Results based Financing		
	1 Component 1: Strengthening systems to improve the quality of health services through IPA		
	Category 1 - IPF		
	2 Component 2: Strengthening systems to improve the quality of health services		
	3 Component 3: Increasing coverage and utilization of health services		
	4 Component 4: Contingent Emergency Response Component.		
	Total Uses of Funds		
4	Closing balance -		
	1) Project Bank Account		
	2) Advances (If any)		

We certify that the above figures are based on the payments made by MHSSP. The necessary supporting documents are retained and available for review.

CFO
PMU, MHSSP

Meghalaya Health Systems Strengthening Project (Loan No. 9291-IN)
Statement of expenditure by Components/Sub-componentwise
 IUFR for the period __/__/20__ to __/__/20__

Amount in INR IUFR-2

[illegible]

List Of Claims submitted to World Bank
IUFR for the period / /20 to / /20

Sl. No.	IUFR No.	Period for which IUFR submitted	RF/WF No.	Expenditure reported (INR)	Reimbursable from World Bank (INR)	Reimbursement received (INR)
1	Claim 1					
2	Claim 2					
3	Claim 3					
4	Claim 4					
5	Claim 5					
6	Claim 6					
7	Claim 7					
8	Claim 8					
9	Claim 9					
10	Claim 10					
	Total			-		

IUFR 4

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