

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Land Acquisition Payments - Authorization - Revised procedure – payment by the PAO (W&P) directly to the Beneficiaries Bank Account - Orders - Issued.

FINANCE (EBS.X) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 171

Dated: 12-08-2014

Read the following:-

- Ref: 1. G.O.Ms.No.7, Finance (W&P-F3) Department Dt.16-05-2013.
2. G.O.Ms.No.10 Finance (W&P-F3) Department Dt.13-09-2013.
3. From the Director of Works Accounts, Hyderabad, Lr.No.DWA/
Hyd/Sn.II/A-8/2014-15, Dt:30-07-2014.
4. I&CAD Dept. U.O.Note.No.11189/P&B/2014 Dt.05-08-2014.

ORDER:-

Substantial amounts are spent towards Land Acquisition (LA) for taking up various projects/schemes by the Engineering Departments. Land acquisition for these works is done by the Special Deputy Collectors/Revenue Divisional Officers.

2. In the earlier procedure the Heads of Departments approach the Finance Department through administrative department concerned in Government for arranging LA payments. Basing on requisitions of Administrative Departments, Finance Department permits Pay & Accounts Officers/Assistant Pay & Accounts Officers (PAOs/APAOs) (W&P) to authorize the concerned SDC/RDO to pay land compensation to the land owners. After arranging payments, SDCs/RDOs render account to the PAO/APAO concerned, who in-turn incorporate the same in their monthly accounts.
3. In the reference 1st read above, orders were issued that all LA requisitions & authorizations shall be processed and monitored online through the BMS.
4. In the reference 2nd read above, orders were issued to further strengthen the process.
5. The Finance Department has been taking several measures in streamlining the process of payments to various beneficiaries. The main thrust being eliminating discretion in payments and giving direct credit to the beneficiary account and avoiding issue of physical cheques and intermediate parking of funds either in P.D. Accounts or in S.B. Accounts.
6. In the similar lines Government has been thinking of making payments of Land Compensation to Land losers directly into the beneficiary's account by the PAO (W&P) instead of through authorisation to LAO i.e., either Special Deputy Collector or Revenue Divisional Officer. A service is provided in BMS through which the SDC or RDO, who is the Land Acquisition Officer in their respective jurisdictions, can file the bill online with the beneficiaries' details and their bank account details. PAO (W&P) can make payment to the beneficiary's accounts after formal scrutiny of the bill.

7. The process of online bill preparation and submission is briefly detailed below:-
- Award / Sanction order wise details are entered in the system.
 - Beneficiary's data with their Bank Account details are entered in BMS by the LAO.
 - Bill is prepared based on the award / sanction orders issued.
 - Bill details are to be verified and confirmed by the next higher authority than the person who prepared the bill.
 - Bill details are submitted online in BMS portal and the physical bill is submitted to the PAO (W&P).
8. Accuracy of the beneficiaries' data and that of their Bank Account is the responsibility of the SDC / RDO only. The SDC / RDO concerned is to take enough care while uploading the data.
9. In the case of payments of land compensation to be deposited in courts, those amounts will have to be credited to the DDOs' bank account, who in turn will draw D.D. and deposit to the court concerned. The SDC / RDO will have to submit the court orders copy along with the bill in support of claiming the amount to the credit of DDOs' account. The LAO should send a copy of the acknowledgement from the court to the PAO (W&P) concerned after depositing in court.
10. All the Documents being submitted now along with the adjustment account are to be submitted along with bill, except cash book extract and cheque drawn statement.
11. Bills can be submitted by the LAO on all the working days. Payment authorization would be given by Government as per the schedule given in G.O.Ms.No.3 Finance (W&P) Department, Dt.28-02-2014.
12. These orders apply only to land acquisitions relating to works taken up by Engineering Departments where the related bills are paid through the PAO (Works & Projects) in Bill Monitoring System.
13. The Director of Works Accounts (DOWA) is instructed to issue detailed operational guidelines in this regard and also impart training to the concerned.
14. These orders shall come into force with effect from 01-09-2014.
(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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