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Ministry of Rural Development
Department of Rural Development

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
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To
The Principal Secretaries / Secretary,
Rural Development Department,
All States / Union Territories.

Subject : Endorsement of Qualification Pack for 'Assistant Rural Mason' & 'Helper Rural Mason'
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Sir/Madam,

You are aware that Ministry of Rural Development with an objective of improving the quality of houses had initiated the process of conduct of mason training and in the process has developed a new Qualification Pack for Rural Mason. The same has been approved by National Skill Development Corporation of India and based on the qualification pack the training of rural masons is being taken up.

2. In this connection, it is stated that the qualification pack which has been developed pertains to NSQF Level 4 and a person who gets trained requires basic education and skills to qualify the training and get certified. Since in the rural scenario, it is difficult to get such set of people who can undergo training and get certified as per NSQF Level 4, it was decided to develop qualification pack for lower level so that more people can get trained and certified.

3. In this direction, on the request made by Ministry of Rural Development, Construction Skills Development Council of India (CSDCI) has developed two new Qualification Packs (QPs) for 'Assistant Rural Masons' and 'Helper Rural Masons' corresponding to NSQF Levels 2 and 1 respectively (copy enclosed). This would enable the state Government to choose the level of training to be imparted to the people based on their education / skill profile.

4. In order to get the approval of the qualification packs by NSDC, the same needs to be endorsed by the agencies which undertake the training of rural masons. Accordingly, it is requested that the Qualification Pack for "Assistant Rural Mason" and "Helper Rural Masons" may be endorsed, if in agreement, so that the same can be got approved by NSDC and adopted for undertaking training of rural masons.

Encl: As above

Yours faithfully,



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