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Government of India
Ministry of Rural Development
(Rural Housing Division)

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi,
Dated: 22nd April, 2015

To

The Principal Secretary / Secretary (Rural Development)
of all State Governments and UT Administration.

Subject: Convergence of Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) with Mahatma
Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme
(MGNREGS) – Regarding.

Sir / Madam

I am directed to refer to this Ministry's letter No.M-13011/05/2013-RH dated 27th March, 2015 on the above mentioned subject wherein procedure that needs to be followed has been prescribed for the smooth implementation of the convergence of IAY and MGNREGA.

2. It was inter-alia mentioned in the procedure that the job card number under MGNREGA should be entered in AwaasSoft for availing the benefit of convergence. The State/UT wise details of job card issued under MGNREGA and the same seeded on AwaasSoft against each beneficiary for the year 2014-15 and 2015-16 is enclosed. The figures indicate that the progress made in this regard is rather slow.

3. In this context, it is stated that the convergence of the scheme of IAY with MGNREGA is being insisted upon keeping in view of the following:-

- The beneficiaries of IAY have the advantage of receiving additional amount for house construction equivalent to 90/95 mandays against the unskilled wage component under MGNREGA, that would vary between Rs.15,000 to Rs. 20,000 state to state depending upon the wage rate.
- As per the procedure it is mandatory to enter the job card number on AwaasSoft for availing the benefit of MGNREGA. This provision enables to capture the bank details, Aadhaar number etc., of the beneficiary from that of MGNREGA. This saves the State to separately register and verify the bank and aadhaar details of the beneficiary.

- It is being made mandatory that all the beneficiaries of IAY get the benefit of wage component under MGNREGA by auto generation of Muster roll in MGNREGA in the name of beneficiaries who are issued sanctions under IAY.

4. As per guidelines issued by MGNREGA, the number of mandays approved for construction of a house has been divided between different stages of construction and the muster rolls are generated accordingly. The subsequent muster roll is generated only when the work pertaining to the previous muster roll is completed. This facilitates the States for better monitoring of the construction of the house and ensuring completion of the house by the beneficiary.

5. Since convergence of the scheme of IAY with MGNREGA benefits not only the beneficiaries of the scheme but also the implementing agencies viz., State / UT, it is requested that necessary instructions may be given to the officials in the field to ensure that the job card number under MGNREGA of the beneficiaries is entered in Awaas Soft. If there is no job card, the beneficiary may be facilitated to get the job card so that the number is entered in Awaas Soft.

6. This may be given the priority for ensuring mandatory convergence of IAY with MGNREGA.

Encl: As above.

Yours faithfully,



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