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Government of India  
Ministry of Rural Development  
Department of Rural Development  
SGSY-Trg.

Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi.  
Dated: 06.01.2010.

To

Shri K.N. Kumar, IAS  
Deputy Director General,  
National Institute of Rural Development (NIRD)  
Hyderabad

Sir,

Kindly refer to your letter number NIRD/RSETI/FRL/09 dated 26.11.2009 and NIRD/RSETI/MoRD/09 dated 27.11.2009 regarding payment of Rs.10 lakhs in one go per RSETI to meet the rental charges and approval of further release of infrastructure funds for fresh RSETI proposals during the current financial year 2009-10. The matter was forwarded to IFD of this Ministry for approval. In this regard, the following directions may be followed for release of funds for hiring of premises and infrastructure development funds for setting up of RSETI;

1. The provision for hiring of premises and incurring expenditure of up to Rs. 10 lakhs for this purpose for a period not exceeding three years was a considered decision. It was expected that once the land is allotted, construction of the building would take two to three years. During this period training programme could commence to avoid delay. However, it transpires that the State Governments are foot dragging on the issue of allotments of land and instead persuading the Banks to hire premises to run training programmes. This is against the spirit of the programme.
2. Therefore, with immediate effect, no further premises may be rented for running RSETIs except in places where the State Government has allotted land for the construction of the building. In the cases where training programmes have been started in rented premises and the State Government has not yet allotted land, no further expenditure on payment of rent would be permitted beyond 31<sup>st</sup> Mach, 2010, unless land is allotted for RSETI by the State Governments.


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3. As far as additional funds for RSETIs are concerned, these can only be released once the funds available with NIRD are committed to the extent of 75%. Till then NIRD should continue to meet the expenditure from the funds available with them.

4. As regards release of hiring charges to the banks based on actual, considering the practical difficulties in managing a large number of accounts of hired premises, it has been decided to permit NIRD to release hiring charges to the banks at one go.

Yours faithfully,

  
(Jagdish Singh) 06/11/2010

Director (DRDA & SGSY-Trainina)