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Government of India
Ministry of Home Affairs
(Disaster Management Division)

3rd Floor, B Wing, NDCC-II Building Jai Singh Road, New Delhi- 110001 Dated the 25th Sept, 2024

To,

The Chief Secretaries, (All States).

Subject: A

Amendment to Guidelines on Constitution and Administration of National Disaster Mitigation Fund (NDMF) based on the recommendations of the Fifteenth Finance Commission 2021-22 to 2025-26.

Sir/ Madam,

This Ministry's vide letter No. 33-02/2020-NDM-1 dated 28th Feb 2022 has issued the Guidelines on Constitution and Administration of National Disaster Mitigation Fund (NDMF), based on the recommendations of the Fifteenth Finance Commission 2021-22 to 2025-26.

2. Para 2 of the NDMF Guidelines, issued vide letter ibid provide that –

"National Disaster Mitigation Fund (NDMF) is constituted under section 47 (1) of the DM Act, 2005. This fund is exclusively for the purpose of mitigation projects in respect of disasters covered in National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) Guidelines only. The Mitigation Fund shall be used for those local level and community-based interventions, which reduce the risks and promote environmental-friendly settlements and livelihood practices. Large-scale mitigation interventions such as construction of coastal walls, flood embankments, support for drought resilience etc. shall be pursued through regular development schemes and not from the mitigation fund.",

- 3. The matter has been examined in this Ministry and it has been decided with approval of competent authority to amend para '2' of the Guidelines. The para 2 of the NDMF Guidelines issued vide letter No. 33-02/2020-NDM-1 dated 28th Feb 2022 is amended as under:-
 - 2(i) "National Disaster Mitigation Fund (NDMF) is constituted under section 47 (1) of the DM Act, 2005. This fund is exclusively for the purpose of mitigation projects in respect of disasters covered in National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) Guidelines only. The Mitigation Fund shall be used for those local level and community-based interventions, which reduce the risks and promote environmental-friendly settlements and livelihood practices. Large-scale mitigation interventions such as construction of coastal walls, flood embankments, support for drought resilience etc. shall be pursued through regular development schemes and not from the mitigation fund."

- 2(ii) In addition, the Mitigation Fund can also be used for mitigation projects in respect of lightning and heatwave. For mitigation projects in respect of any other new emerging disasters, mitigation fund may be allowed to be used by MHA, on the recommendation of NDMA and in consultation with D/o Expenditure.
- 4. This can also be downloaded from the website of Disaster Management Division of Ministry of Home Affairs i.e. www.ndmindia.mha.gov.in.

Encls: As above.

Yours sincerely,

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