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With the introduction of "Integrated Financial Management System" (IFMS) by the Finance Department and made fully operational from the current financial year of 2015-16, it has become mandatory for DDOs', senior level officials in the administration, those delegated for e-tendering and budget control exercises and field level engineer officers including those linked with MGNREGS to have a continuous and uninterrupted access to internet facility.

Assistant Engineers identified for execution of MGNREGS convergence programme recently launched by Government of India having separate offices mostly do not have land line telephones. Assistant Canal Revenue Officers in addition to their other responsibilities are engaged in the process of issuance of STQP for river bed materials through e-portal.

The above mentioned officers mostly have separate office establishments.

In addition to above, these offices are required to use e-pradhan for works bills, COSA for on-line salary bills, e-bantan for obtaining Non-Plan and State Plan fund allotment, on-line tender process (e-tender), submission of various physical and financial reports on-line, receiving & uploading revenue receipts through GRIPS, on-line issuance of STQP / e-challan; uploading & verification on-line.

It has been reported time and again that some districts are faced with tremendous problems due to disrupted BSNL broadband fixed land line services. In Purulia and Uttar Dinajpur in particular, there is hardly any workable access through BSNL broadband connection.

Keeping into active consideration all above, the Governor is hereby pleased to allow use of "Data-Cards" in various offices of Executive Engineers / DDOs' in the Irrigation & Waterways Directorate as well as assigned Assistant Engineers included in the MGNREGS convergence programme, Assistant Canal Revenue officers engaged in operation of GRIPS and issuance of on-line challan of STQP central e-tender Help desk of Irrigation & Waterways Directorate, nodal budget cell including FA cell of the Department subject to fulfilment of the following conditions:-

- 1. Fixed land line Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) Broadband connectivity is unworkable and in order to ensure internet connectivity for communication and use.
- 2. In case of those offices/ DDOs' & other officers who are required to maintain connectivity through internet, but existing broadband BSNL connectivity is available but weak, the offices

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concerned may opt for higher strength broadband of suitable bandwidth to ensure uninterrupted connection. However, if required such offices may switch over to local cable service provider or wireless data card.

The Chief Engineers of Irrigation & Waterways Directorate are requested to sanction a comprehensive complied list of eligible offices under their respective jurisdictions and suitable plans for use of data card /cable internets in terms of delegation of financial powers under Finance Department G.O No. 4411-F(Y) dated 04.06.2015 as contained under Schedule A (General) Annexure of SI. 25 (b) with an prior intimation to this Department.

The expenditure to be incurred in this connection may be borne out of detailed head 13-04, under Non-Plan Non-Salary items budget allocation contained in Demand No. 32, B.P No. 20 for which the average annual/monthly requirement to be informed within December 2015 for framing of Budget Estimate (BE) for 2016-17 & Revised Estimate (RE) of 2015-16.

This is being issued in exercise of the delegation of financial power approved by Principal Secretary of this Department.

All concerned are being informed.

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