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To,

The Deputy Commissioner, All Districts

The Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad, All Districts

The Project Director, DRDA, All Districts

The District Project Manager, All Districts, ASRLM

The Block Development Officer, All Blocks

The Block Project Manager, All Blocks, ASRLM

Sub: Revised Repayment norms on Community Investment Fund (CIF) Loans disbursed to Members by Self Help Groups (SHGs) & its federations- Reg.

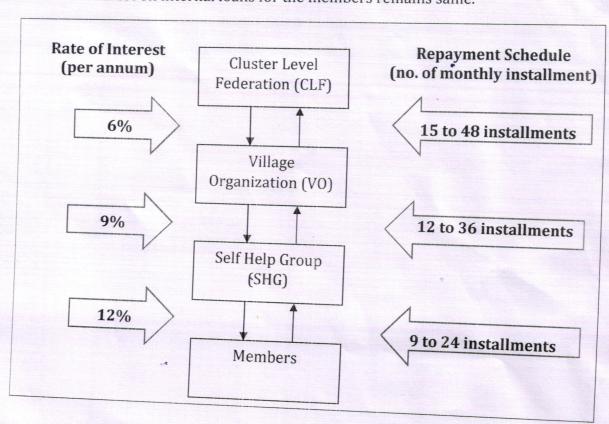
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Sir/Madam,

As you are aware that the main purpose of providing Community Investment Fund (CIF) is to develop credit worthiness of the community institutions among the external formal financial institutions and create an opportunity for poor women to learn financial management skills.

ASRLM follows three (3) tier system where Cluster Level Federation (CLF) is the custodian of CIF and is used to on-lend loans to Village Organizations (VOs) and VOs to Self Help Groups (SHGs) and SHGs to members. CIF is mainly used for the purpose of livelihoods enhancement and other priorities like education, health needs etc.

Community institutions under ASRLM are availing CIF for doing number of livelihood and income generating activities. The amount of loan availed varies depending on the type and size of activity. Therefore, in this regard, Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD), Govt. of India has advised to revise the Repayment norms of CIF as depicted below. This letter supersedes the Repayment norms of the earlier guideline referred herein above. The Rate of Interest on internal loans for the members remains same.



To ensure timely availability of credit to all members of the SHGs and proper rotation of CIF, indicative member level amount with maximum installment is mentioned below-

SN	Loan Amount	Instalments
1	Upto to Rs. 5,000	Maximum Instalment 9
2	Upto Rs. 10,000	Maximum Instalment 12
3	Upto Rs. 30,000	Maximum Instalment 24

The above installments to members are indicative. CLF/VO/SHG may take appropriate decision. Installment among the SHG-VO-CLF may or may not be the same.

<u>CIF Loan ceiling:</u> Based on prompt repayment of CIF loan, SHGs, VOs and CLFs can disburse multiple loans to their members. However, priority to be given for ensuring that all members have availed loan atleast once before approving second or subsequent loans to any member.

CIF Loan/Working capital Loan to Producer Group (PG): The working capital/CIF loan as per the requirement defined in the business plan of Producers Groups of the Cluster would be provided by the CLF only. The Rate of Interest (per annum) would be 6% and to be charged only for the period for which the loan was with PG. Repayment of working capital would be at the end of every season or production cycle or business cycle as per the business plan with maximum 48 installments. The interest earned by the CLF on the working capital loan may be utilized for expansion of activities of PGs. A Producer Group will not be eligible for any further loans until the account has been settled for the previous season. In case of business loss, the PG should repay working capital loan in proportion to their patronage. In exceptional cases, the CLF may write-off the interest component and only consider the repayment of the principle.

<u>Mode of Transaction:</u> To ensure transparency and accountability in financial transactions, it is advised to do transactions as stated below:

SN	Institution	Mode of Transaction	Remarks
1	CLF Level	Cheque, Online (RTGS/NEFT) and bank to bank transfer	All financial transactions
2	VO Level	Cheque, Online (RTGS/NEFT) and bank to bank transfer	All financial transactions above Rs. 5000/-
3	SHG Level	Cash, Cheque, Online (RTGS/NEFT) and bank to bank transfer	All financial transactions

You are hereby requested to facilitate SHGs, VOs and CLFs for modification of the same from 1st August, 2021. It may be noted that, for the existing internal loans, the new Repayment norms should be levied on the outstanding amount only.

This is for your information and necessary action.

Yours Sincerely,

(Krishna Baruah, ACS)

State Mission Director, ASRLM

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- 1. The Principal Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, P & RD Department for favour of kind information.
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