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Commissioner, Special Projects

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Dear

Ota Babu,

Sub: Legal processes of MG NREG Act – Major violations like unemployment allowance and delayed payment.

As you are aware, under section 7 of MG NREG Act, if an applicant for the employment is not provided such employment within 15 days of receipt of his application seeking employment, he/she shall be entitled to a daily unemployment allowance. On review the status in the website, it is found that **1949 nos. of days** are due for payment of unemployment allowance in your district. You are therefore requested to review the status personally and the unemployment allowance should be paid to the deserving jobseekers and report compliance with the name of the defaulting officials for such violations.

Also, Sub Section 3 of Section 3 of the Act provides that the disbursement of daily wages shall be made on a weekly basis or in any case not later than a fortnight after the date on which such work has been done. In case of delay in payment, the labourers are entitled to receive payment of compensation as per the provisions of Payment of Wages Act., 1936. While reviewing the status of delayed payment in the website, it is found that wage earners in **5838 nos. of muster rolls amounting to ₹ 213.49 lakh** have been paid their wages beyond 15 days.

Further, out of 9716 nos. of projects taken up in your district only 1185 nos. of projects are completed **which comes to 12%** as on 22nd February, 2011 which is not at all encouraging. You are, therefore, advised to instruct all the implementing agencies to review the project completion status project-wise and enter the up to date status in the online module.

It is being noticed that the alerts as discussed above are reported by the website at time also due to improper or incomplete data entry in the website. This can be verified only on review of each case. Hence, you are advised to get the detailed scrutiny of each case conducted before payment of compensation which shall ensure such payments only to the most deserving cases. Collectors are also advised to fix individual responsibilities on the field functionaries to make them more accountable. Action under section 25 of the Act can be resorted to in suitable cases of violation. Action taken on the matter may please be reported to the undersigned.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,


(S.K.Lohani)

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