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पंचम राज्य वित्त आयोग  
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प्रथम तल, योजना भवन,  
झारखण्ड मंत्रालय, नेपाल हाउस,  
डोरण्डा, राँची-834002

DO Letter No. वित्त (SFC) - 12/24 (4) - (Energy) - ...96/वि03110 Ranchi, Dated...01-07-2024

Dear Avinash Kumar,

Sub:- Status of delegation of powers to PRI as matters listed in Schedule 11 of the 73<sup>rd</sup> constitutional amendment and constituted part of the Jharkhand Panchayat Raj Act, 2001 and its subsequent amendments - regarding.

Ref.: - State Finance Commission letter No. वित्त (SFC) - 12/24 - 47/वि03110, दिनांक 13-05-2024।

In view of the above mentioned letter, 5<sup>th</sup> State Finance Commission is again requesting you to look into the issue personally and expedite the matter. The Department may like to look into all the three aspects - delegation/transfer of function, functionaries and fund, compare Jharkhand with other 5<sup>th</sup> Scheduled States, best practices adopted by Jharkhand and other 5<sup>th</sup> Scheduled States on similar subject and coordination mechanism prevailing in the state of Jharkhand on the subject being dealt by more than one department.

The FSFC again requests the department to send a report on the subject as soon as possible. The department is also requested to indicate a suitable date and time for the presentation of the-said report.

*with best wishes*

Yours Sincerely

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*01/07/24*  
(AMRENDRA PRATAP SINGH)

Encl.: Above mentioned subject reference letter.

To,

Shri Avinash Kumar,  
The Additional Chief Secretary,  
Department of Energy,  
Government of Jharkhand.

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In view of the above subject, 29 matters were listed to be delegated to the Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs). As per a study by the Reserve Bank of India, the state of Jharkhand has delegated only 18 matters to PRIs [Finances of Panchayati Raj Institution (RBI, January 2024), pp. 5]. A presentation made by the Department of Panchayati Raj, Government of Jharkhand, indicated that even a lesser number of items have been delegated to the PRIs in the state. The said presentation also indicated that the delegated powers are not substantial. No financial power has been delegated to the PRIs by the concerned departments of the Government of Jharkhand.

To assist the Fifth State Finance Commission (FSFC) in ascertaining facts and finding out the ground reality about the delegation of power to the PRIs and the contribution of the PRIs to the concerned subject matters, the department is requested to submit a report about this subject to the FSFC. The department is further requested to incorporate in this report the delegation of power to PRIs and best practices in other 5th Scheduled States like Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, Gujrat, Maharashtra, Himachal Pradesh, Rajasthan, Odisha, Andhra Pradesh, and Telangana. It is also important to note that there are certain activities among the 29 items that are being covered by more than one department. The department, in this report, is also requested to point out the same along with the established practices of coordination with other departments.

In view of the above, the FSFC requests that the department send a report on the delegation of functions to the PRIs as mentioned below by June 10, 2024. The department is also requested to indicate a suitable date and time for the presentation of the said report.

**Department of Energy**

1. Rural electrification, including the distribution of electricity.
2. Non-conventional energy sources.

Your sincerely,

*with best wishes*

*10/15/24*  
**(Amrendra Pratap Singh)**

To,

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The Additional Chief Secretary  
Department of Energy  
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