

**P-38015/13/2023-STARTUP INDIA**

Government of India  
Ministry of Commerce and Industry  
Department for Promotion of Industry & Internal Trade  
(Startup India Section)

Vanijya Bhawan, New Delhi

Dated: September, 2023

The Pay and Accounts Officer  
Ministry of Commerce and Industry  
Department for Promotion of Industry & Internal Trade  
Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi - 110011

**Subject: Release of Seed Fund of Rs.2.10 Crore (Rupees Two Crore Ten Lacs only) (non-Recurring) including Management Fee, to 'CIED IUST Foundation, Pulwama, J&K' under the Startup India Seed Fund Scheme approved for year 2023-24.**

Sir,

Sanction of the President of India is hereby conveyed to the release of **Rs.2.10 Crore (Rupees Two Crore Ten Lacs only)** (non-Recurring) including Management Fee, out of total financial support approved of **Rs. 5.0 Crore** to 'CIED IUST Foundation, Pulwama, J&K', towards release of first installment for providing onward funds to Selected Startups as per the guidelines of the Startup India Seed Fund Scheme (SISFS) for year 2023-24 enclosed at **Annexure-I**.

2. The Seed Fund referred to under SISFS will be regulated in accordance with the provisions contained in the scheme/guidelines within the ambit of general provisions contained in GFR 2017, as amended from time to time, read with the Government of India's decisions incorporated there-under, and any other guidelines which may be issued in this regard, and in particular to the following conditions: -

(i) The Seed Fund shall be utilized for providing onward funds to Selected Startups as per the Para 8 of SISFS guidelines – 'Guidelines for Disbursement of Seed Fund to Startups by Incubators'.

(ii) **CIED IUST Foundation, Pulwama, J&K** shall maintain an exclusive, project-specific Trust and Retention Account (TRA) with any nationalized bank.

*\*(The bank account should be the same which was authorized for operation at the time of registration under the "Public Finance Management System" (PFMS) of the Ministry of Finance).*

(iii) The Seed Fund released will be utilized by CIED IUST Foundation, Pulwama, J&K by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 for the purpose indicated in para 2(i) above.

(iv) CIED IUST Foundation, Pulwama, J&K shall furnish their Quarterly performance-cum-achievement report of the Fund Deployment Plan as approved by the Expert Advisory Committee (EAC) under SISFS in its **38<sup>th</sup> Meeting** dated **22.06.2023**, to the Sanctioning Authority.

(v) CIED IUST Foundation, Pulwama, J&K should maintain a register of permanent and semi-permanent assets acquired wholly or mainly out of the above Seed Fund in the prescribed format and copy thereof should be furnished to this Department.

(vi) Assets acquired wholly or substantially out of Government Fund shall not be disposed of by CIED IUST Foundation, Pulwama, J&K without obtaining the prior approval of the Sanctioning Authority of Seed Fund.

(vii) The accounts of CIED IUST Foundation, Pulwama, J&K shall be open for inspection by the Sanctioning Authority and Audit, both by the Comptroller & Auditor General of India under the provision of C&AG (DPC) Act, 1971 in accordance with the provisions laid down in Section 14 of the C&AG (DPC 1971) as amended from time to time and Internal Audit party of the Principal Accounts Office of the Department for Promotion of Industry & Internal Trade, New Delhi whenever, it is called upon to do so.

(viii) The CIED IUST Foundation, Pulwama, J&K shall submit the CA certificate in the prescribed form as per GFR-2017 duly signed by the Head of the Incubator latest by 31.03.2024.

(ix) CIED IUST Foundation, Pulwama, J&K shall furnish the Audited Statement of Accounts along with audited report of the current financial year before 31.10.2024.

(x) Seed Fund shall be utilized subject to the Economy and other Instructions issued from time to time by the M/o Finance or by the Sanctioning Authority.

(xi) The unspent balance available with CIED IUST Foundation, Pulwama, J&K is nil.

(xii) CIED IUST Foundation, Pulwama, J&K shall certify that the CA Certificates due for submission for the Seed Fund sanctioned in the previous year's containing all the relevant details required under GFR 212(1) have been submitted to the satisfaction of the Department for Promotion of Industry & Internal Trade, New Delhi.

(xiii) CIED IUST Foundation, Pulwama, J&K shall adhere to all the relevant provisions of GFR-2017 and any other instructions/ guidelines issued by the Government from time to time, while making procurement/ purchases of goods and services including compliance to provisions of GFR-2017 in case of out-sourcing of services and engagement of consultants.

(xiv) CIED IUST Foundation, Pulwama, J&K has been exempted from execution of the bond. Association for Bio-inspired Leaders and Entrepreneurs at Sastra TBI, Chennai shall, however, furnish an undertaking that it will comply with all the terms and conditions stipulated in the sanction order.

(xv) CIED IUST Foundation, Pulwama, J&K should send pre-receipted bill to this Ministry for payment of the amount drawn against this sanction.

(xvi) CIED IUST Foundation, Pulwama, J&K should furnish an undertaking that they will not avail any Seed Fund from any other Ministry/Department of Government of India or State Government for this purpose.

(xvii) In no case the Seed Fund released under this sanction will be utilized for any purpose other than those indicated in the sanction. The Incubator shall not divert the Seed Fund and entrust execution of the Scheme or work concerned to another Incubator or Organization and shall abide by the terms & conditions of the Seed Fund and follow/adhere to all the relevant provisions of GFR regarding Seed Fund. If the Incubator fails to utilize the Seed Fund for the purpose for which the same has been sanctioned or does not adhere to the terms & conditions of Seed Fund and provisions of GFR, the Incubator shall be required to refund the Seed Fund with interest @ 10% per annum.

(xviii) CIED IUST Foundation, Pulwama, J&K shall not utilize the interest earned on the nonrecurring Seed Fund released to the Incubator for any purpose. The interest earned shall be indicated in UC which should be refunded to GOI after Seed Fund sanctioned is utilized.

(xix) CIED IUST Foundation, Pulwama, J&K shall execute a legal agreement with the selected startups before the release of the first installment and ensure that the necessary terms and conditions, including milestones, related to the Seed Fund are clearly detailed in the agreement. **Further, the Incubator shall also report Return on Investment for each startup.**

(xx) A startup selected by CIED IUST Foundation, Pulwama, J&K for assistance under this scheme shall not be charged any fee as per scheme guidelines.

(xxi) Noted at **Serial No.211** in the Register of Seed Fund.

(xxii) Mr. Rohtas Singh, Under Secretary of the DPIIT will act as Drawing and Disbursing Officer for this sanction.

(xxiii) CIED IUST Foundation, Pulwama, J&K has furnished all other Certificates of the previous sanctions and it has no Certificate as 'due for rendition' under sub-scheme in question.

3. The total release under this object head, including the present sanction would be **Rs.61,97,02,528** during the current financial year as against the Budget provision of Rs.160 crore for the financial year 2023-24.

4. The expenditure is debit to the Demand No. 11 of the Department for Promotion of Industry & Internal Trade under Functional Head 4875.60.190 - SISFS and Object Head 07.00.54 – Investments for the Year 2023-24 as per the details given below:

Sl. No.	Functional Head	Object Head	Amount (in Rs.)
1	4875.60.190 SISFS	07.00.54 – Investments	2,10,00,000/-
		<b>Total</b>	<b>Rs. 2.10 Crore</b>

5. The bank details of the Incubator for making payment are as below: -

Name of the beneficiary	Name of Bank where A/c of Org Held	Address/Code of Bank Branch	A/C NO.	MICR Code and IFSC Code
CIED IUST Foundation, Pulwama, J&K	State Bank of India	State Bank of India Pulwama, Old Court Road, Pulwama	42100652406	MICR:192002241 IFSC: SBIN0002451

6. This issues with the concurrence of AS & FA vide **Note No.16** dated **31.08.2023** of **File No: P-38015/13/2023-STARTUP INDIA** (Computer No. **184261**).

Yours faithfully

  
(Sanjeev Kumar)  
Section Officer

Copy to: -

1. CIED IUST Foundation, Pulwama, J&K
2. Principal Director of Audit, Economic and other Ministries, AGCR Building, New Delhi-110022.
3. IF Wing/Finance-II Section, DPIIT, New Delhi.
4. Budget and Account Section, DPIIT, New Delhi.
5. PPS to JS (MN)
6. Guard file/Sanction Folder.