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Dear Chief Secretary,

Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY) is a placement linked skill development program which allows skilling of rural unemployed youth to improve their employability. During the current lock-down situation across the country, under training and placed candidates of DDU-GKY may be facing social and economic distress at their home or training centre or work location. Therefore, it is most important to ensure all round well being of our candidates. In addition, the Project Implementing Agencies (PIAs) of DDU GKY may also be facing different operational issues arising from the current situation of lockdown. To address these issues faced by candidates as well as the PIAs, following actions may be initiated by States/UTs immediately.

2. To facilitate support to the under training and placed candidates:

- i. States/ UTs should extend all required help to under training and placed candidates currently stranded in training centres or job locations outside their home locations.
- ii. To provide financial assistance for placed candidates, States/UTs should ensure that all these candidates must receive the Post Placement Support (PPS) as per their eligibility and provisions of the DDU GKY Guidelines without any delay.
- iii. States/UTs may take all the necessary measures for continuous engagement with under training and placed candidates to take care of their physical and mental well being during this period.
- iv. States/UTs may use alumni support cost provided under DDU-GKY in helping stranded candidates.

3. To provide requisite support to the PIAs, States/UTs may take necessary action for immediate release of pending 2nd, 3rd and 4th Instalments for eligible projects where all verification processes and other requirements have been successfully completed.

Regards.

Yours sincerely

(Rajesh Bhushan)

Chief Secretary of States/UTs