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अटल इनोवेशन मिशन
संसद मार्ग, नई दिल्ली-110001
Government of India
NITI Aayog
Atal Innovation Mission
Sansad Marg, New Delhi-110001

D.O. No: 12015/01/2022-AIM

Dated: 15th February, 2023

Dear Principal,

Greetings from Atal Innovation Mission, NITI Aayog

Atal Innovation Mission (AIM), NITI Aayog is the Government of India's flagship initiative to promote a culture of innovation and entrepreneurship in the country and was set up in 2016.

2. AIM has established 10,000 Atal Tinkering Labs across the country, including your School. The purpose of establishing ATL in your School was to foster curiosity, creativity, and imagination in young minds; and inculcate skills such as design mindset, computational thinking, adaptive learning, physical computing etc.

3. Accordingly, your school was disbursed the first tranche of Rs. 12,00,000 as ATL grant in 2016-17. However, on scrutiny, it is observed that your school has failed to comply with the AIM guidelines on multiple accounts and repeated reminders to your school to plug in those deficiencies have failed to evoke any response from your school. Nor has your school taken any corrective actions to comply with AIM guidelines.

4. It may be noted that Failure to comply with ATL guidelines tantamount to violation of **Clause 4.3 (IV) of the Memorandum of Agreement (MoA)** signed by your school with AIM, which states:

"The school will be required to submit Fund Utilization Certificates (UCs) at the end of every financial year as well as at the time of seeking further installments of grant-in-aid".

It may be appreciated that the above provisions of the MoA are mandatory and absolute in nature as they flow from the General Financial Rules (GFRs) of the Government of India to be followed by all while dealing with matters involving public finances.

5. Thus, you are hereby directed to refund the grant-in-aid of **Rs. 12,00,000/-** along with interest of **11.50%** from the date of receipt of grant as per **Clause 13 of Sanction Letter (vide which above grant was released to your School)** which states that - *"In the event of breach or violation of the MOA terms and conditions, the grantee shall be required to refund to the Government on demand entire amount or such part thereof as may be mentioned in the notice of*



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demand issued by the Government along with the interest thereon at the rate of 11.50% compounded annually from the date of the receipt of the grant-in-aid."

6. Thus, the grants-in-aid of Rs. 12,00,000/- may be returned through a Demand Draft in favor of "Pay and Accounts Office, NITI Aayog, New Delhi" and sent to the following address by registered post along with a line in confirmation that you have remitted the interest through BharatKosh on NTRP portal:

*Mission Director, Atal Innovation Mission,
5th Floor, NITI Aayog, Sansad Marg, New Delhi -110001*

You are hereby instructed to immediately comply with the above directions without any further delay.

Yours Sincerely,


(Dr. Chintan Vaishnav)

To,

The Principal,
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