

Guidelines for Grant-in-aid to NGOs/ State Govt. Organizations under the component "Promotion of Indian Cinema through Film Festivals and Film Markets in India and Abroad" of the XII Plan Scheme "Development, Communication and Dissemination of Filmic Content" .

<p>Preamble</p>	<p>The scheme will be entitled Grant-in-Aid to NGOs/State Govt. Organizations under the component "Promotion of Indian Cinema through Film Festivals and Film Markets in India and Abroad" of the XII Plan Scheme "Development, Communication and Dissemination of Filmic Content" of the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting.</p> <p>Under this scheme, financial assistance will be provided to NGOs, registered under the Societies Registrations Act, 1860/Indian Trust Act, 1882/other relevant statutes, and to the State Government organizations for conducting Film Festivals throughout the length and breadth of the country with a view (a) to promote good films reflecting the changes, challenges and the opportunities of the society and (b) to provide an opportunity of exposure to regional films to new trends in cinema, cinematic technology etc.</p>
<p>Guidelines under which Grants in aid will be released to NGOs/State Govt. Organizations</p>	<p>(a) Film festivals in 'non-metros' (i.e. places except 'Delhi, Kolkata, Chennai, Mumbai, Hyderabad and Bangalore') will be eligible for Grant-in-Aid. However, Festivals being organized in metro cities on social issues like disability, environment, women and child welfare, etc would also be considered.</p> <p>(b) The proposed festival shall have the support of Central/State Governments.</p> <p>(c) Voluntary organizations/NGOs carrying out activities which promote the welfare schemes and programmes of the Govt. would be selected on the basis of well-defined criteria regarding financial and other resources, credibility and type of activities undertaken.</p>
<p>Requirements for NGOs/State Govt. Organizations for receiving the Grant.</p>	<p>(a) The grant shall be sanctioned to organizers of film festivals in accordance with Rules 206-212 of General Financial Rules, 2005 and amendments from time to time.</p> <p>(b) Organizers of Film Festivals seeking grant-in-aid from the Government will be required to submit an application which includes all relevant information</p>

such as Articles of Association, bye-laws, audited Statement of Accounts, Source and pattern of income and expenditure, etc.

(c) Organizers shall not profess or promote any religious/communal/fundamental/divisive beliefs or doctrines with this grant.

(d) Organizers shall appropriately give due credit to the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting indicating that the Festival is being organized under the aegis of Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, Govt. of India.

(e) Organizers of Film Festivals have to furnish details of programme along with objectives to be achieved.

(f) Organizations except State Government Organizations have to certify that it has not obtained or applied for grants for the same purpose or activity from any other Ministry/Department of the Govt. of India or State Govt.

(g) Organizers will be blacklisted in case it is found at any stage that they have received grant in aid under the above scheme on the basis of suppression of facts, misleading information, fabricated documents and false information.

(h) Organizers have to prove/justify that their financial position is as such which necessitates grant-in-aid from the Govt.

(j) Before grant is released, the members of the Executive Committee shall authorize President/Secretary of the organization in a resolution (to be furnished in the prescribed proforma) binding themselves jointly and severally to:

- (i) Abide by the conditions of the grants in aid by the target dates, if any, specified therein.
- (ii) Not to divert the grants or entrust execution of the scheme or work concerned to another Institution or Organization (s).

	<p>(iii) Abide by any other conditions specified in the agreement governing the grant-in-aid.</p> <p>In the event of the grantee failing to comply with the conditions or committing breach of the conditions of bond, the signatories to the bond shall be jointly and severally liable to refund to the President of India, whole or a part of amount of the grant with interest at ten percent per annum thereon or the sum specified under the bond. The stamp duty for this bond shall be borne by the Government.</p> <p>(k) Organizations have to maintain subsidiary accounts of the Govt. Grants and furnish an audited statement of accounts within two months after the completion of film festival.</p> <p>(l) Organizations have to furnish Utilization Certificate of grant in Form GFR 19-A within two months after the completion of film festival.</p> <p>(m) Organizations will furnish a feedback report within two months on the festival for which Grant-in Aid was sanctioned.</p> <p>(n) The grant cannot be claimed as a matter of right it depends on sole discretion of Government of India depending on the merit of the proposed event/festival.</p>
<p>Amount of Grant</p>	<p>(i) In a financial year, the maximum amount of grant given to film festival shall ordinarily not exceed Rs. 5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakhs) subject to a ceiling of Rs. 10,00,000/- (Rupees Ten Lakhs) in cases such as themes related festivals exclusively dedicated to social causes of women and children, persons of special ability, subaltern groups, environment etc.</p> <p>(ii) The Organizers shall clearly mention the item-wise heads along with estimated expenditure on which the proposed grants will be utilized.</p> <p>(iii) Grant-in-aid shall be released in two instalments – i.e. 50% before start of the film festival and balance 50% after submission of audited statement of Accounts, Utilization Certificate in Form GFR 19 A and a Feed Back Report along with objectives achieved from the organizers of Film Festival.</p>

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