

Government of Manipur
Planning Department

State Innovation Council and District Innovation Fund - Clarification thereof.

Reference is invited to Publication made in the Sangai IFD Mail box and letter addressed to the Editor, Imphal Free Press dated 23/7/2011 regarding the above subject. This is to clarify that the State Innovation Council chaired by Hon'ble Minister, Manipur was constituted on 16/12/2011. In addition, there is an Inter Departmental Committee chaired by the Chief Secretary, Manipur. A Notification was issued on 9th March 2011 through local Newspapers and the Planning Department Website inviting innovators to submit writeups, highlighting their innovative works. In the Inter Departmental Coordination meeting held on 2/4/2011, innovators were invited. They made Power Point Presentations highlighting their innovations. The Committee recommended to fund feasible proposals of innovators under DIF.

Regarding District Innovation Fund under 13th Finance Commission Award, as per Guidelines of the Ministry of Finance and the State Government, Guidelines have been formulated and circulated in November 2010 to Deputy Commissioners for submission of suitable proposals, for a total of Rs. 1.00 crores for each district. Proposals from Deputy Commissioners and Innovators have been shortlisted to involve public participation and draft Action Plan submitted to Finance Department for consideration of High Level Monitoring Committee chaired by the Chief Secretary, Manipur, the competent Authority. No fund has been released and hence implementation has not yet started.

It is proposed to upload the list of approved works after the High Level Monitoring Committee's approval is received. The High Level Monitoring Committee is serviced by the Finance Department.

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1. Director (DIPR) for releasing the above clarification promptly as a news item by the Imphal-based newspapers and the Electronic Media, DDK & AIR.

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