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Department of Rural Development
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Subject: Treatment of placement drop-out, Placement non commencement & placement Continuity due to COVID-19 & National Lock down.

This is with reference to the Chapter 3, Section 3.2.2.3 of DDU-GKY program guidelines and Chapter 7, Standard Format SF7.2A of DDUGKY Standard Operating Procedure regarding consideration and definition of placement in DDU-GKY as continuous employment for a minimum of 3 month.

Due to COVID-19 pandemic and implementation of national lock down measures, large scale placement drop out has happened in the month of March 2020. PIAs had made considerable effort in placement of rural youth. To provide relief to the PIAs without digressing from the scheme mandate and goal, a onetime relief shall be made available to all PIAs whose placed candidates dropped out and could not commence placement between January, 2020 & March 2020.

(A) All those candidates, who dropped out from placement in the month of February 2020 & March 2020, shall be eligible for being re-placed till 31st March 2021. The Guideline provision 3.2.2.2.0 regarding taking action for poor performance by a PIA in a Projects shall stands relaxed for Placement drop outs in the month of February 2020 & March 2020 and shall provide an opportunity to PIA for re-placing placement dropout candidates for another year till 31 March, 2021.

(B) All those candidates, who dropped out from placement in the month of February, 2020 & March, 2020, their Pre-Lock down placement duration and post-lock down placement duration shall be taken into account and shall be considered as continuous Placement for placement continuity calculation purpose. The provision of continuous employment as defined in DDU-GKY Guideline 3.2.2.3 and in SoP at SF 7.2 A: Placement and Related Definition Point 3 Continuous Placement stands relaxed for placement drop out cases happened in February, 2020 and March, 2020.

(C) All candidates, who got trained in between 26th December, 2019 till 25 March, 2020 and their placement could not commence till 25 March 2020, shall be allowed to commence placement post lock down till 31 March 2021. The Guideline provision 3.2.2.2.0 regarding taking action for poor performance by a PIA in a Projects shall stands relaxed for candidates trained in between 26 December 2019 till 25 March 2020 and shall provide an opportunity to PIA for placement of trained candidates for another year till 31st March 2021.

(D) Project duration requiring extension for aforesaid measures shall be relaxed from the provisions of notification 8 of 2020 under heading Default Management Provisions point 9 regarding giving extension for the project tenure & provision given in SoP at 3.6 regarding completion of project training and placement issue. Project Completion report shall stands relaxed for placement affected in the month of February, 2020 and March, 2020.

This issue with the approval of Competent Authority.



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