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Dt. 29/06/2026

From.

Shri Indramani Nayak, IAS
Director, Panchayat Raj

To.

All Collectors-cum-CEOs, Zilla Parishads.
All CDOs-cum-EOs, Zilla Parishads.

Sub: Opening of separate Savings Bank Accounts for Gram Panchayats for receipt and operation of Sixth State Finance Commission (6th SFC) Grants – **Revised instructions in supersession of this Department letter No. 16682/PR&DW, Dt. 17-06-2026** and in alignment with Finance Department letter No. 16104/F, Dt. 22-06-2026.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to invite your attention to this Department letter No. 16682/PR&DW dt. 17.06.2026 on the subject cited above regarding opening of separate bank accounts for all Gram Panchayats for receipt and operation of 6th SFC grants. In the meantime, the Finance Department has issued fresh orders vide letter No. 16104/F dt. 22-06-2026 (Copy Enclosed) revising the list of empaneled banks for handling business and deposits of State Government Departments, PSUs, Universities and Autonomous Societies.

In order to ensure clarity, uniform implementation across the State and full compliance with the latest Finance Department guidelines, the following revised instructions are hereby issued for the guidance of all concerned field functionaries:

- 1. Supersession:** This letter supersedes the earlier letter No. 16682/PR&DW dt. 17.06.2026 in its entirety. All previous instructions on the subject shall be treated as modified to the extent indicated below. The new instructions shall be followed scrupulously.
- 2. Nature of Account:** The separate bank accounts to be opened by all 6733 Gram Panchayats shall be in the form of **Savings Bank Accounts only without "Check" facility**. Current Accounts or any other type of accounts shall not be opened for this purpose.
- 3. Account Nomenclature:** The Savings Bank Account shall be opened in the name of the Gram Panchayat with clear indication of the purpose. Suggested nomenclature is "*Gram Panchayat [Name of GP], [Block], [District] – 6th SFC Account*" or as per the standard practice followed by the bank for government grants accounts. This will facilitate proper accounting and audit trail.
- 4. Eligible Banks:** The Savings Bank Accounts shall be opened **strictly in any of the 14 banks empaneled** by the Finance Department vide letter No. 16104/F dt. 22-06-2026 for handling Government business and deposits. No Gram Panchayat shall open the 6th SFC Savings Bank Account in any bank outside the 14 banks empaneled by Finance Department.

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5. Transition from Non-Empaneled Banks: If any Gram Panchayat has already opened a 6th SFC account in a bank which is **not included** in the above 14 empaneled banks (as per the earlier instructions), such account(s) must be closed and new Savings Bank account(s) shall be opened in the 14 empaneled banks only.

6. Authorized Signatories: The Savings Bank Account shall be operated by the authorized signatories of the Gram Panchayat as per the provisions of the Odisha Gram Panchayat Act, 1964 and rules made thereunder, and the existing orders on delegation of financial powers.

7. Mapping in PFMS & eGramSwaraj: Immediately after opening of the new Savings Bank Account (or shifting to an empaneled bank), the bank account details (Bank Name, Branch Name, IFSC Code, Account Number) shall be registered and mapped in the Public Financial Management System (PFMS) as well as in the eGramSwaraj portal by the concerned Gram Panchayats without any delay.

8. Role of BDOs and DPOs: All Block Development Officers (BDOs) shall personally monitor and facilitate the timely opening of Savings Bank Accounts by the Gram Panchayats under their jurisdiction in one of the 14 empaneled banks. They shall coordinate with the bank branches and ensure completion of KYC formalities, account opening, and subsequent PFMS/eGramSwaraj mapping. The District Panchayat Officers (DPOs) shall compile GP-wise data of all newly opened (or shifted) 6th SFC Savings Bank Accounts and submit a consolidated report to the CDO-cum-EO, Zilla Parishad along with photocopies of the front page of the passbook (clearly showing Bank Name, Branch Name, Account Number, IFSC Code, Date of Opening, and Name of the Gram Panchayat) of each Gram Panchayat. The Savings Bank account opening process shall be completed by **10.07.2026 positively**.

9. Role of CDOs: The CDO-cum-EO, Zilla Parishad shall exercise overall supervision, coordination, and monitoring of the drive for opening of 6th SFC Savings Bank Accounts in empaneled banks and their mapping in PFMS and eGramSwaraj in the district. Upon receipt of the reports along with passbook copies from the DPOs, the CDO-cum-EO shall scrutinize the same at the district level and submit a consolidated district-wise report (GP-wise) along with photocopies of the passbook front page of all Gram Panchayats to PR&DW Department **by 15.07.2026 positively** for verification and approval at the Department level. Clean and clear scanned copies of the consolidated report along with passbook front pages of all Gram Panchayats shall be submitted to the Department email id **cfcscpr@gmail.com** for faster processing and verification.

Keeping in view the volume of work and the procedural requirements involved, the field functionaries are requested to treat this as "**Extremely Urgent**" and expedite action on topmost priority.

Yours faithfully,


29/06/2026
Director, Panchayati Raj

C.C. for information and necessary action to:-

1. P.S. to Commissioner-cum-Secretary, PR&DW Department for kind information of Commissioner-cum-Secretary.
2. Additional Secretary to Government, Budget-VI, Finance Department for kind information.
3. All Block Development Officers / District Panchayat Officers for information and necessary follow-up.

**GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
FINANCE DEPARTMENT**

No. 16104 /F,

Date. 22-06-2026

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From

**Sanjeeb Kumar Mishra, IAS
Principal Secretary to Government**

To

**The Additional Chief Secretaries/
Principal Secretaries/
Commissioner-cum-Secretaries/
Secretaries to Government,
All Departments**

Sub: Selection of Banks for handling business and deposits of State Government Departments/ Heads of the Departments & Sub-ordinate Offices/ Government Agencies/ Establishments/ State Public Sector Undertakings/ Universities and State Level Autonomous Societies.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to say that, all the controlling Head of Banks operating in Odisha were intimated vide this Department letter No.29829 dated 28.10.2024 that, the list of banks empaneled for the year 2023-24 vide Finance Department letter no. 327751F, dated 30.11.2023 & letter no. 5579, dated 02.03.2024 would continue beyond 2023-24 FY till further order. However, depending on performance in Central and State Government schemes (like PMEGP, PMMY, PMSVANidhi, Stand up India (Women), Stand up India (ST&SC), MKUY and such other on-going / new flagship schemes and programs of Government) and some general banking parameters (i.e. Achievement in total ACP targets, Agriculture Advance, Crop loan, Housing advance, Education advance, MSME Advance, SHG Linkage, CD Ratio, No. of new Brick & Mortar branches opened in unbanked GPs etc.), the poor performing banks shall be removed from the empanelment list and good performing banks will be added to the empanelment list. This exercise will be done by Finance Department from time to time.

2. SLBC meetings are held on quarterly basis. The sub-committee meetings are also held before the quarterly SLBC meetings. In the meetings, performance of banks in Government schemes and general banking parameters are reviewed and poor performing banks are also requested to improve their performance. Bank Heads were also alerted to improve their performance substantially during FY 2025-26 or else Government would be constrained to remove the poor performing banks from State Government empaneled list.



3. Based on the performance of Banks as on 31.03.2026 for the F.Y. 2025-26 and as per information received from SLBC, Odisha, the performance of banks were evaluated on achievements under different Government schemes like PMEGP, PMSVANdhi, PMFME, PMMY, PMJDY, PMJJBY, PMSBY, APY and some general banking parameters like Overall ACP (Priority sector), Crop Loan, Total Agri, Total MSME, Export Credit, Education, Housing etc. **Based on the performance, Government is pleased to empanel the following 14 banks, with immediate effect and till further order**, for handling business and deposits of State Government Departments/ Heads of the Departments & Sub-ordinate Offices / Government Agencies/ Establishments/ State Public Sector Undertakings/ Universities and State Level Autonomous Societies:

List of Empaneled Banks (Arranged in Alphabetical order)

Sl. No.	Name of the Banks	Sl. No.	Name of the Banks
1	Bank of Baroda	8	Indian Overseas Bank
2	Bank of India	9	Odisha Grameen Bank
3	Bank of Maharashtra	10	Odisha State Cooperative Bank
4	Canara Bank	11	Punjab National Bank
5	Central Bank of India	12	State Bank of India
6	IDBI Bank	13	UCO Bank
7	Indian Bank	14	Union Bank of India

4. Administrative Departments are directed to instruct all the Heads of the Departments & Sub-ordinate Offices/ Government Agencies/ Establishments/ State Public Sector Undertakings/ Universities and State Level Autonomous Societies under their administrative control to select their bankers from the above list of 14 empaneled banks.

5. In order to curb unhealthy competition among empaneled banks to get Government deposits and frequent shifting of deposits from one bank to another, prior approval of Collector of the district shall be taken up to Rs. 10 Crore and for more than Rs. 10 Crore, prior approval of concerned Administrative Department shall be taken for such shifting with proper justification.

6. Similarly, in State Level PSUs / Universities/ Autonomous Societies, prior approval of Governing Body / Board of Directors and concurrence of the concerned Administrative Department shall be required for moving of deposits from one bank to another.

7. New deposit/ accounts (including current accounts) of all Government Departments/ Heads of the Departments & Sub-ordinate Offices/ Government Agencies/ Establishments/ State Public Sector Undertakings/ Universities and State Level Autonomous Societies shall only be opened in any of the above 14 empaneled banks.



8. (a) Existing deposit/ accounts (including current accounts) of said offices held in any bank empaneled earlier but not empaneled now, may not be withdrawn immediately. But all such deposits/accounts must be utilised/withdrawn/closed positively by **31.12.2026**.

(b) Existing deposit/ accounts (including current accounts) of said offices held in any bank empaneled earlier but not empaneled now, on the basis of any Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) or such other agreement must also be withdrawn/closed by **31.12.2026**, as such MoUs are not binding and enforceable.

(c) Existing Single Nodal Accounts of said offices held in any bank empaneled earlier but not empaneled now, must also be withdrawn/closed by **31.12.2026**.

9. Empaneled Banks need to share the balance available in all the deposit accounts including current accounts (account no. wise) of Government offices/establishments with Finance Department by the end of June of the corresponding Financial Year. An online facility will be made available for this purpose.

10. The State Government reserves the right to remove any bank from the panel at any time in the following circumstances:

- a. In case the statistics submitted by the bank is found to be incorrect.
- b. If the bank fails to submit any report, statement or satisfactory reply to any query within such time period as set by the State Government, RBI, NABARD and SLBC, Odisha
- c. In case of proven evidence of poor customer service.
- d. In case any empaneled bank adopts unethical practices for withdrawal of deposits from another bank and deposit the same in its account.
- e. In case the financial health of the bank is found to be poor / deteriorating.

11. **This order of empanelment of banks supersedes earlier orders and comes into effect immediately from the date of issue of this letter and will remain *valid till further instructions*.**

12. **Non-compliance of any provision of this letter including non-withdrawal/ closure of all deposits/accounts by 31.12.2026 shall be treated adversely and disciplinary proceedings shall be initiated against erring officials.**

Yours faithfully,


22/06/2020
Principal Secretary to Government

Memo No. 16105

Date. 22-06-2026

Copy forwarded to the Private Secretary to Additional Chief Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Odisha for kind information of Additional Chief Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister.

Memo No. 16106

Joint Secretary to Government
Date. 22-06-2026

Copy forwarded to OSD to the Chief Secretary/Principal P.S to DC-cum-ACS for kind information of the Chief Secretary and DC-cum-ACS.

Memo No. 16107

Joint Secretary to Government
Date. 22-06-2026

Copy forwarded to the P.S to Secretary to Government of India, Department of Financial Services, Ministry of Finance, New Delhi for kind information of Secretary to Government of India, Department of Financial Services.

Memo No. 16108

Joint Secretary to Government
Date. 22-06-2026

Copy forwarded to the Regional Director, Reserve Bank of India, Bhubaneswar/CGM, NABARD, Bhubaneswar for kind information and necessary action.

Memo No. 16109

Joint Secretary to Government
Date. 22-06-2026

Copy forwarded to the G.M, UCO Bank-cum-Convener, State Level Bankers' Committee, Odisha for information and necessary action.

Memo No. 16110

Joint Secretary to Government
Date. 22-06-2026

Copy forwarded to the State Controlling Heads of all Banks operating in Odisha for information and necessary action.

Memo No. 16111

Joint Secretary to Government
Date. 22-06-2026

Copy forwarded to all Officers of Finance Department/All Branches of Finance Department/ Sub-Nodal Officer (E-Gazette), Finance Information Division, Finance Department for hosting in the Finance Department website (<https://finance.odisha.gov.in>). These instructions may be uploaded in the website of Finance Department and posted in the social media by the social media Cell (fd.odisha@gmail.com) for wider circulation.

Memo No. 16112

Joint Secretary to Government
Date. 22-06-2026

Copy forwarded to all Collectors & District Magistrates/CDO-cum-Eos for kind information & necessary action.

Joint Secretary to Government