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Government of India
Ministry of Home Affairs
(Disaster Management Division)

'C' Wing, 3rd floor, NDCC-II,
Jai Singh Road, New Delhi,
Dated, the 18th January, 2019

To,
The Chief Secretaries,
(All States/ UTs)

Subject: Items and Norms of assistance from the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) and National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) – Clarification regarding Cattle Camps in SDRF norms.

Sir/ Madam,

I am directed to refer this Ministry's letter No. 32-7/2014 dated 8th April 2015 on the above mentioned subject.

2. In this context, it is stated that some State Governments have sought clarification with regard to extending the grant from SDRF towards the cattle housed in the Government notified/ authorized Gaushala limited to animals belonging to Small & Marginal Farmers (SMF) during the drought period in conformity with the approved norms. The matter has been considered in this Ministry in consultation with the Department of Expenditure and it is clarified that in case the State Government, by Notification or Government Order, authorizes the existing Guashalas to act as a Cattle Camp during the notified calamity period for the Cattles belonging to SMFs, it can be considered eligible for assistance under SDRF/ NDRF, subject to following condition:-

- (i) During the period of calamity declared by the State Government, District Administration will assess the requirement of cattle shelter and number of gaushala required to be notified as cattle shelter in the District/Tehsil. After obtaining the base-line information on the cattle already sheltered and the number of more cattle it can accommodate, gaushala may be notified as cattle shelter in terms of SDRF guidelines.
- (ii) The notified gaushala shall maintain a separate account of the additional cattle belonging to SMF for the notified drought period. The consolidated list of SMF beneficiaries with number and types of animals will be displayed on the notice board of Gram Panchayat, Block, Tehsil and in the office of Sub-Divisional Magistrate and District Magistrate as well at State/ District web-site for the purpose of verification and social audit.
- (iii) SDRF funds will only be released to such notified gaushala on reimbursement basis and will be limited to list of individual beneficiaries notified as in sl. no. (ii) above.

(iv) The period and amount of assistance and all other conditionalities existing in SDRF norms will remain applicable to the gaushala notified as cattle camp.



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Director (DM)

Copy to:-

- (i) The Relief Commissioners/ Secretaries (Disaster Management), (All States/ UTs).
- (ii) The Resident Commissioner, (All States/ UTs).

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