No. R-11016/2/2020-I&P Government of India Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi Dated: 27th October,2020

To,

Chief Secretaries of all States/UTs

Subject:- Convergence of Agriculture Infrastructure Fund with Gobar Dhan under SBM (Gramin)- regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to OM of even number dated 5.10.2020 on the subject cited above vide which convergence order of Agriculture Infrastructure Fund with Gobar Dhan under SBM (Gramin) was issued and to say that as per operational guidelines issued for phase-II of SBM (G), there is no concept of different model for implementation of Bio-Gas Plants and order of convergence has been issued based on old GOBAR-Dhan Scheme guidelines which are not valid as on date. Therefore, the order of this Department dated 05.10.2020 may be treated as withdrawn.

- 2 In view of above, Compressed Biogas (CBG) plants is included as eligible project of Agriculture Infrastructure Fund under building community farming assets subject to condition that CBG plants may be established by eligible beneficiaries of AIF like PACS, Marketing Cooperative Societies, FPOs, SHG, Multipurpose Cooperative Societies, Ari-entrepreneurs, Startups and projects promoted by Central /State/Local Governments or their agencies under PPP.
- 3 Bio-fertiliser plants will also be eligible projects for AIF under para 6(B)(i) in the category of organic inputs production as per scheme guidelines of AIF

Yours faithfully,

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