

MINISTRY OF FINANCE

P.O.Box MB 40, Ministries, Accra Digital Address: GA-144-2024

Kindly quote this number and date on all correspondence
My Ref. No.
MoF/ERMERD/EEA/GER/KfW//24/1
Your Ref. No.
February, 2024

THE ADMINISTRATOR
DISTRICT ASSEMBLIES COMMON FUND
ACCRA

DISTRICT ASSEMBLIES COMMON FUND-RESPONSIVENESS FACTOR GRANT (DACF-RFG): TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO BENEFICIARY INSTITUTIONS

Reference is made to the implementation of the District Assemblies Common Fund - Responsiveness Factor Grant (DACF-RFG) in respect of District Performance Assessment Tool (DPAT) VI.

- 2. We are in receipt of a copy of letter dated 12th December 2023 by which the Ministry of Local Government, Decentralisation and Rural Development (MLGDRD), requested the Office of the District Assemblies Common Fund (DACF) to transfer an amount of GHS181,837,022.00; GHS 170,142,722.00 to the Sub-consolidated accounts of the Metropolitan Municipal and District Assemblies and GHS11,694,300 to the DPAT Secretariat for the implementation of DPAT VI activities (copy of letter attached).
- 3. We have noted with concern that these funds have since not been received in the accounts of the beneficiaries to facilitate the implementation of DPAT VI activities in 2023. This is hindering the progress of work and effective operations of the MMDAs.
- 4. As you are aware, a prerequisite for committing funds by our Development Partners (DPs) to the DACF-RFG is for funds meant for the previous cycle of the DPAT (both GoG and DP contributions) to be transferred to the MMDAs for their planned activities in accordance with agreed allocations.
- 5. The Ministry has received concerns from our Development Partners on the delayed transfer of funds to MMDAs as planned. This situation is worrying and threatens the current and future DP support to the DACF-RFG.
- 6. The Swiss Government is reluctant to execute a new grant financing agreement of CHF 22million of which CHF6million is meant for DPAT VII activities for 2024 due to the fact that the CHF4million they disbursed in December 2022 plus corresponding GOG contribution for implementation of DPAT VI activities in 2023 have not been transferred to the MMDAs.
- 7. The continuous delay in transferring funds to the MMDAs brings to question government's commitment to signed bilateral cooperation agreements and poses a serious threat to the Ministry of Finance's mandate of mobilising more resources to support our decentralization agenda for local economy development. We cannot afford to lose such potential grant funds as we navigate an IMF programme of fiscal consolidation and economic recovery.





- 8. Consequently, we hereby entreat you to immediately transfer the said funds to the beneficiaries of the DACF-RFG DPAT VI and inform the Ministry of Finance accordingly.
- 9. Kindly treat this as urgent.
- 10. We continue to count on your usual cooperation.

11. Thank you.

DR. MOHAMMI

MED AMIN ADAM (MP) MINISTER

himisis

Cc: Chief of Staff, OOP, Jubilee Hse. .

Hon. Minister, MLGDRD Hon. Deputy Ministers, MoF

Chief Director, MoF

Chief Director, MLGDRD

Coordinating Director, MoF

Director ERMERD, MoF