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Date: 2 March 2026

Subject:- Consolidated Advisory on 'Recording of the assets created out of grants provided for creation of capital assets to the grantee institutions'.

The Finance Unit of the NMCG had issued following Advisories on "Recording of the assets created out of grants provided for creation of capital assets to the grantee institutions".

(i) Advisory of even number dated 12 June 2025.
(ii) Reminder of even number dated 10 November 2025.

A copy each of the above communications are enclosed for ready reference.

2. Subsequently, an indicative format for obtaining the relevant information has also been shared with Proponent Units. The issue of compiling assets created under the STP Projects was also discussed in the ARC/BRC meeting held on 3 February 2026.

3. Considering the above, the following consolidated Advisory is issued for reference and necessary action by Proponent Units.

4. Provisions in General Financial Rules (GFR) related to "Assets acquired wholly or substantially out of Government Grants"

4.1. GFR, 2017 Rule **230 (9)** is reproduced below:

In making Grants to Non-Government or Quasi-Government Institutions or Organisations, a condition should be laid down that, assets acquired wholly or substantially out of Government Grants, except those declared as obsolete and unserviceable or condemned in accordance with the procedure laid down in the General Financial Rules, shall not be disposed of without obtaining the prior approval of the authority which sanctioned the Grants-in-aid.

4.2. While GFR 230(9) applies to all grantees, there are also a few special provision for sponsored/R&D projects, as reproduced below: -

i. **GFR Rule 233 (i):** *Ministries or Departments of Government sponsor projects or schemes to be undertaken by Universities, Indian Institute of Technology and* *other similar Autonomous Organisations such as ICAR, CSIR, ICMR etc., the results from which are expected to be in national interest. Normally the entire expenditure on such projects or schemes including capital expenditure, is funded by the Ministry or Department. The funds released for such project or schemes in one or more instalments are not treated as Grants-in-aid in the books of the implementing agency. Apart from the requirement of submission of technical and financial reports on completion of the project or scheme, a stipulation should be made in such cases that the ownership in the physical and intellectual assets created or intellectual assets created or acquired out of such funds shall vest in the sponsor. While the Project or Scheme is ongoing, the recipients should not treat such assets as their own assets in their Books of Accounts but should disclose their holding and using such assists in the Notes to Accounts specifically.*

ii. **GFR Rule 233 (ii):** *On completion of the Projects or Schemes and the receipt of technical and financial reports, the Ministries/Departments should decide and communicate to the implementing agencies whether that assets should be returned, sold or retained by them.*

5. Observations of the Comptroller & Auditor General

The Comptroller & Auditor General (C&AG) in their Audit Report on financial audit of the NMCG for FY 2023-24, inter alia, observed that the NMCG did not maintain any record of assets created out of grants provided for creation of capital assets to the grantee institution. A similar observation was also made in the Audit Report for FY 2022-23. The need of maintaining proper records of assets created out of NMCG's grants was also emphasized by the Director General of Audit (Agriculture, Food and Water Resources) in a meeting convened on 09.06.2025 to review compliance of previous Audit observations undertaken by the auditee entities.

6. In view of the aforesaid GFR provisions and Audit advice, all Proponent Units of NMCG are **advised to obtain a list of assets created/procured out of grants received from NMCG, from all Implementing/Executing Agencies**. An indicative format for collecting details of assets created under the project is attached.

7. In addition, the Implementing/Executing Agencies may be directed that:

i. The assets are exclusively used for the purpose for which grant is sanctioned and to maintain the assets and their records properly.

ii. The assets acquired/created out of the NMCG grants are not disposed of, encumbered, or utilized for any purpose other than that for which sanctioned without prior approval of the Government.

iii. All assets created under NMCG projects are suitably insured against fire, natural calamities etc. after risk assessment.

8. For R&D projects, the Implementing/Executing Agencies may be directed that:

i. The ownership of the physical and intellectual assets created or acquired out of NMCG grants shall vest in the NMCG. While the Project or Scheme is ongoing, the Executing Agencies (IAs/EAs) should not treat such assets as their own assets in their Books of Accounts but should disclose their holding and using such assets in the Notes to Accounts specifically.

ii. On completion of the Project, the NMCG will decide and communicate to Grantee Agency whether the assets should be returned, sold or retained by them. If the assets are to be sold, the proceeds therefrom will be credited to the NMCG for refund to the Consolidated Fund of India. If the grantee agency is allowed to retain the assets, they should include the assets at the book value in their own accounts.

9. All Proponent Units are requested to suitably disseminate the above to all Project Implementing / Executing Agencies.

10. The issue of recording of assets for STP projects was discussed in the 29th joint ARC/BRC meeting held on 3 February 2026. It was decided to engage an agency for this task and complete recording of assets within 3 months of engagement of the agency.

11. Project Unit of the NMCG is also requested to take appropriate action for engaging an agency for completing this task in a time bound manner.

Yours faithfully

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Assets procured/created out of Grant-in-aid received from National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) under the Project

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S. No.	Particulars of Asset*	Nos./Unit	Date of Purchase**	Purchase Value/Cost of Asset	User Agency	Location of Asset	Asset Status (whether functional)	Remarks

*Asset type/category etc. may be specified

**For assets created under the Project, date of the said asset becoming functional/operational may be indicated.

Signature

(Finance Head)

Signature

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विषय: **Recording of the assets created out of grants provided for creation of capital assets to the grantee institutions**

Attention is invited to Finance Wing communication dated 12 June, 2025 on the above subject. (copy enclosed)

2. It has also been observed that specialized instruments/ equipment are being procured by executing agencies under various NMCG funded projects, especially under R&D projects. A complete record of such assets is also required to be maintained as per GFR- 233.

3. All project proponents in the NMCG are again requested to complete recording of all assets procured out of NMCG grants, and also to update the list regularly.

Encl: As above

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Government of India
Ministry of Jal Shakti
Department of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation
National Mission for Clean Ganga

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Dated: 12 June, 2025

Subject: **Recording of the assets created out of grants provided for creation of capital assets to the grantee institutions**

C&AG in their Audit Report on financial audit for the FY 2023-24, inter alia, made the following observation regarding assets created out of Grants-in-aid:

"As per GFR 233, assets created out of Grants-in-aid for creation of capital assets can be retained or disposed-off by the grantee institution with the prior approval of the NMCG Authority. However, the NMCG did not maintain any record of the assets created out of grants provided for creation of capital assets to the grantee institutions."

A similar observation was also made in the Audit Report for FY 2022–23.

2. The issue of maintaining proper records of assets created out of NMCG's grants was also raised by Director General of Audit (Agriculture, Food and Water Resources) in a meeting convened by the C&AG on 09.06.2025 to review compliance of previous Audit observations undertaken by the auditee entities.

3. The undersigned explained that all projects funded by the NMCG are executed by State level agencies right from the stage of project inception till their completion. After completion of Projects, the O&M is also undertaken by the State agencies. These assets never belong to the NMCG, which essentially is the funding agency. Since these assets are not owned by the NMCG at any stage, they are not shown as fixed assets in NMCG's accounts.

4. While agreeing that the assets need not be taken on NMCG's books, DG-Audit emphasized the importance of maintaining a comprehensive data base of assets created under the Namami Gange Programme out of NMCG funding. It was advised that not only recording of all such assets, their health should also be monitored as the NMCG is funding O&M of major assets up to 15 years.

5. In view of the above, the NMCG needs to initiate appropriate action to systematically collect and maintain records of assets created from grants provided for various projects.

6. While major assets to be recorded relate to the STPs, tangible assets are also created/ procured under other Projects, such as CETPs, Projects implemented by CPCB/ SPCBs, Ganga Task Force and R&D Projects etc. Complete details of all tangible assets created and procured under these Projects should be maintained in a comprehensive database, which may also be updated regularly. An indicative list of assets which could be considered for recording is **annexed.**

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7. In addition, it may also be advisable to maintain a database of intangible assets created out of NMCG grants such as copyrights/ IPRs etc.

8. All Project Proponents in the NMCG are requested to complete recording of all assets created/ procured out of NMCG grants in a time bound manner.

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Annexure

Indicative list of assets created/procured from NMCG grants for recording (updated)

Sewage Treatment Plants	Civil structures (STP/ MPS/IPS/ Lift Stations etc.)
	Eletro Mechanical equipment, including DG sets.
	Networking (trenchless & open)
	CCTV & Other monitoring instruments
	Solar Panels
Common Effluent Treatment Plants	Civil structures (STP/ MPS/IPS/ Lift Stations etc.)
	Eletro Mechanical equipment, including DG sets.
	Networking (trenchless & open)
	CCTV & Other monitoring instruments
	Solar Panels
CPCB/ SPCB Projects	Laboratory equipment
	Water Quality Monitoring
	Computers
	Printers/Scanners
Research & Development	Laboratory equipment
	Aerial Survey related equipment
	Specialized equipment and softwares
	Office equipments under various pojects
	Other project equipments
Afforestation	Ganga Vatika
	Incubation center for Gharials & Turtles
Ganga Task Force	Rubber Inflated Boats
	Vehicles
Livelihood Projects	Dilli Haat- Namami Gange Awareness Centre
	Awareness Centre at Prayagraj Junction
	Jalaj Centres
RFD	Civil works
Crematoria	Civil works, Electrical equipment
Wetland	Information Centres
	Eco-tourism Centres
Intangible Assets	Copy Rights
	IPRs/Patents

Note: This is only an indicative list. The Proponent Units may draw up an appropriate list of assets created/ procured under Namami Gange Projects for recordings.