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## Addendum

Subject:- Operational Guidelines for implementation of the recommendations on Urban Local body grants[Ambient Air Quality component] contained in Chapter 7 of the Fifteenth Finance Commission (FC-XV) Final Report – regarding.

Ref.:- Operational Guidelines issued by the Department of Expenditure vide O. M. No. 15(2)FC-XV/FCD/ 2020-25, dated 10-08- 2021 for the implementation of the FC-XV recommended Ambient Air Quality Grant.

In para 14 (<u>Distribution of undisbursed grant</u>) of the reference cited above, the following is added at the end of the para;

'(C) In case any of the FC-XV recommended 42 Million Plus Cities/UAs having PM<sub>10</sub> concentration levels below or equal the National Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) of 60 μg /m³ and not qualifying for the disbursal of allocated Ambient Air quality Grant in a year(s) during the award period, MoEF&CC may consider incentivizing such cities/UAs appropriately from the undisbursed portion (before distribution to best performing Cities/UAs) of the Air quality Grant.

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(i) The all State Chief Secretaries

(ii) The Secretary, MoEF&CC, Govt. of India, Indira Paryawaran Bhawan, New Delhi.