

**ODISHA BUILDING AND OTHER CONSTRUCTION WORKERS' WELFARE BOARD
(OFFICE OF THE LABOUR COMMISSIONER: ODISHA: BHUBANESWAR)**

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From:

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Member Secretary, OB & OBOCWBB,
Bhubaneswar.**

To

**The Commissioner of Commercial Taxes, Odisha,
Cuttack.**

Sub: - Implementation of standard procedure for processing of reimbursement of claims at district level pertaining to assistance for purchase of Working tools, Safety equipments and Bicycle by the OB & OCWW Board.

Sir,

This is to inform that construction workers are being registered under the Odisha building and Other construction workers' Welfare Board as beneficiaries and are being extended different social security benefits, such as Educational assistance, maternity benefit, marriage assistance, assistance for purchase of safety equipments, working tools and bi-cycles, housing assistance and pension, etc. as per the guidelines issued from time to time. Out of these benefits, some are being sanctioned at State level whereas certain benefits like claims towards reimbursement of purchase of working tool, Safety equipments and Bicycle are being sanctioned at district level by the concerned District Collectors and the District Labour Officers act as the Nodal Officer at district level.

In this connection, I am to inform that for streamlining of disbursement of different benefits, guidelines/ instructions were issued to districts several times. Copies of the guidelines/ instructions on assistance for purchase of safety equipments, working tools and bi-cycles are appended at **Annexure-A series** for kind reference. But, it is a matter of great concern that, number of instances of submission of fake vouchers by the applicants have come to the notice of this office. As more numbers of beneficiaries are entitled to get these benefits from the Board, it is also not possible in part of the District Labour Officer to verify the genuineness of each vouchers before releasing the payment.

To find out a solution, a meeting was taken up with the officials of the Commercial Tax Deptt. on 26.10.2016 in this office. In lines of the discussion made for finalisation of a standard procedure for processing of reimbursement claims at district level pertaining to the assistances towards purchase of OB & OCWW Board, following decision were taken.

1. The District Commercial Tax Officer will be one of the members of the District Level Committee for separate empanelment of shops dealing with working tools, Safety equipments(Like helmet, safety shoes, & hand gloves) , Bicycle .

