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Subject: Grievance Redressal Mechanism for rural women by Community Based Organization (CBOs)- regarding facilitation thereof.

As part of the Jammu & Kashmir Rural Livelihoods Mission (JKRLM) and in alignment with National Rural Livelihoods Mission (NRLM) guidelines, a structured Grievance Redressal Mechanism (GRM) is being established to address concerns and challenges faced by Self-Help Group (SHG) members, Village Organizations (VOs), and Cluster Level Federations (CLFs).

The mechanism aims to ensure transparency, accountability, and quick resolution of grievances, fostering a supportive environment for SHG members.

Step-by-Step Grievance Redressal Process

Step 1: Lodging a Grievance

- Any SHG member or group facing issues related to financial transactions, leadership disputes, fund disbursement, exclusion from benefits, or operational challenges may lodge a grievance.
- The grievance can be reported verbally, in writing, or digitally at the SHG, VO, or CLF level.
- A formal grievance form (available at VO/CLF offices) should be filled out with the following details:
 - 1. Name of complainant
 - 2. SHG/VO/CLF name
 - 3. Nature of grievance
 - 4. Supporting documents (if any)

Step 2: Grievance Registration & Acknowledgment

- Upon receipt, the grievance will be registered in the Grievance Register at the respective level (SHG/VO/CLF).
- An acknowledgment receipt will be provided to the complainant along with an expected resolution timeframe.

Step 3: Primary Resolution at SHG/VO Level

 The SHG leader and VO representatives will attempt to resolve the grievance within a stipulated time. If the issue remains unresolved, it will be escalated to the Cluster Level Federation (CLF).

Types of Grievances Addressed

- 1. Financial & Fund-Related Issues (Delay in fund disbursement, loan misuse, irregular savings)
- 2. Inclusion & Exclusion Complaints (Denial of membership, unfair selection, discrimination)
- 3. Operational Issues (Leadership disputes, lack of meetings, non-compliance with Panchasutra)
- 4. Training & Capacity Building Concerns (Lack of access to training, exposure visits, or resources)
- 5. Market & Livelihood Challenges (Unfair pricing, procurement issues, limited market access)

Responsibilities of Officials & SHG Leaders

- 1. Ensure that grievances are recorded, acknowledged, and resolved within a specified timeframe.
- Maintain a transparent and fair resolution process to foster trust within SHG networks.
- 3. Facilitate regular review meetings at the VO, CLF, and block levels to assess grievance trends and improvements.
- 4. Promote awareness among SHG members about their rights and the grievance process.

Timeline for Grievance Resolution

Grievance Level	Resolution Timeline	Responsible Authority
SHG/VO Level	Within 7 days	SHG Leaders & VO Representatives
CLF Level	Within 15 days	CLF Office Bearers & BPMU

How to Submit a Grievance?

- Visit your nearest SHG, VO, or CLF office and register the grievance.
- Submit Online:

Action Required:

All DPMs, BPMs, MIS AAA are directed to ensured that the CBO are oriented on grievance redressal mechanism immediately and ensure facilitation of regular monitoring and reporting of grievance.

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- 2. District Program Managers (DPMs) of JKRLM (All) for information and compliance
- 3. Block Program Managers (BPMs) of JKRLM (all) for information and compliance