

No. 01(01)/PFC.I/2022  
Government of India  
Ministry of Finance  
Department of Expenditure  
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North Block, New Delhi  
7<sup>th</sup> September, 2022

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject: Appraisal of Schemes – Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSSs) and Central Sector Schemes (CSSs) to be continued over the XVth Finance Commission Cycle (approved for continuation by the Cabinet till 30.09.2022 or such shorter period as may have been approved by the EFC).**

Kind reference is invited to DoE's OM of even number dated 01.02.2022 vide which approval of the Cabinet for the Schemes, as mentioned in the Annexure to the DoE's ibid OM, upto 30.09.2022 or such shorter period as approved by the EFC and OM of even number dated 08.04.2022 vide which guidelines for re-appraisal of the said Schemes were issued. It is learnt that only a few EFC proposals are ready for appraisal process. In most cases the EFC Memos are undergoing inter-ministerial consultation (IMC) while EFC Memos of some schemes have not yet been subjected to IMC. In view of the direction of the Cabinet empowering Department of Expenditure to issue clarifications and instructions for the removal of difficulties in the implementation of schemes and also noting the facts stated above the following is conveyed:

- (i) Ministries/ Departments which have submitted/ will be submitting proposals for continuation of their respective Schemes before 30.09.2022 may release funds under these Schemes beyond 30.09.2022 subject to the limit of BE/RE 2022-23 till EFC appraisal.
  - (ii) In case of the Ministries/ Departments which fail to submit the proposals on/before 30.09.2022 for continuation of the Schemes (mentioned in Annexure to DoE's OM dated 01.02.2022) any release of funds beyond 30.09.2022 shall require prior concurrence of D/o Expenditure, until submission of the proposal for appraisal by the EFC (Except in cases of Commodity Boards under Department of Commerce as their evaluation reports have yet not been received from NITI Aayog).
2. This issues with the approval of Finance Secretary & Secretary (Expenditure)

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07/09/2022  
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North Block, New Delhi

Dated: 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2022

Office Memorandum

**Subject: Approval of schemes – Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSSs) and Central Sector Schemes (CSs) to be continued over the 15<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission cycle.**

This is with reference to approval of Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSSs) and Central Sector Schemes (CSs) to be continued over the 15<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission cycle. In this regard, the undersigned is directed to convey that the Cabinet vide its decision dated 19-01-2022 conveyed vide Cabinet Secretariat No.2/CM/2022(i) dated 28<sup>th</sup> January, 2022 has approved the following:

- i) With regard to schemes listed in Annexure, irrespective of the appraisal and recommendations of Expenditure Finance Committee (EFC) and in supersession of any approval of any component authority made for their continuation over the 15<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission cycle, the schemes may be continued only up to 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2022 or such shorter period as may have been approved by the EFC. Continuation of these schemes will be subject to adherence of the recommendations of the EFC. Fresh appraisal shall be carried out on an inter departmental basis by the EFC by then. This fresh appraisal shall be on the basis of 'Zero Base Budget' review with a view to identify whether these schemes need to be merged or closed or allowed to be continued with such modification in their design, architecture and financial outlays as may be needed to optimize the use of public fund and produce optimal benefits to the public.
- ii) During the period till 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2022 the schemes may continue to operate, disburse funds and sanction new commitments even if some such commitments may require expenditure beyond that date. However, the pace of expenditure including such commitment shall be reasonable for the time period and broadly proportionate to the overall outlay recommended by the EFC (approximately 1/10<sup>th</sup> of the outlay envisaged over the 5 years).

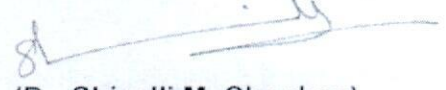
2. Guidelines for fresh appraisal will be issued separately. In the meanwhile, the Ministries/Departments may have a fresh look at these schemes in terms of broad guidelines given in DoE OM No. 42(02)/PF-II/2014 dated 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2020 keeping in view the objectives of further rationalization of these schemes through merger, closure and restructuring. The findings of the evaluation reports for these schemes may also be kept in view for such review. The appraisal process will also take into account the outcomes achieved by these schemes, the inherent strength of a Ministry/Department to

implement them including a decision on which Ministry should implement which scheme.

3. Any Cabinet Note or proposals by Ministries/ Departments for approval of the Finance Minister related to these schemes may be considered as disposed of.

4. This issues with the approval of Finance Secretary & Secretary (Expenditure).

Encl: As Above.



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| Schemes continued up to 30-09-2022 or earlier |                  |   |   |   |
|---|------------------|---|---|---|
| S. No   | Ministry/ Deptt. | List of Central Sector Schemes  | List of Centrally Sponsored Schemes   | Amount Recommended by EFC for XVth FC Cycle ( ₹ in Crore) |
| 1   | Commerce         | Sustainable and Inclusive Development of Natural Rubber Sector  |   | 1,408   |
| 2   |                  | Integrated Coffee Development Project   |   | 1,159   |
| 3   |                  | Tea Development and Promotion Scheme  |   | 968   |
| 4   |                  | Integrated Scheme for Export Promotion and Quality Improvement in Spices and Research & Development of Cardamom |   | 578   |
| 5   | Home Affairs     | Police Infrastructure : Building Projects of CAPFs, CPOs and Delhi Police                                       |   | 21,087  |
| 6   | Home Affairs     | Safety of Women under implementation in MHA   |   | 4,574   |
| 7   | Home Affairs     |   | Border Area Development Programme from 1st April, 2021 to 31st March, 2026. | 4,535   |
| 8   | Textiles         | National Handicrafts Development Programme (NHDP)   |   | 998   |
| 9   | Textiles         | National Handloom Development Programme (NHDP)  |   | 950   |

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| 10 | MSME                           | Scheme for Fund for Regeneration of Traditional Industries (SFURTI )                                     |  | 2,000  |
| 11 | Financial Services             | Augmentation of the corpus of Credit Guarantee Fund for Micro Units                                      |  | 7,000  |
| 12 | Minority Affairs               | Pradhan Mantri Educational Empowerment Scheme (PMEES)  |  | 2,294  |
| 13 | Water Resources, RD&GR         |  | Flood Management & Border Area Programme | 4,500  |
| 14 | Rural Development              | Management Support to Rural Development Programmes and Strengthening of District Planning Process Scheme |  | 176    |
| 15 | DoNER                          | Schemes of North East Council  |  | 2,800  |
| 16 | DoNER                          | SDP for BTC (new)  |  |        |
| 17 | DoNER                          | North East Special Infrastructure Development Scheme   |  |        |
| 18 | DoNER                          | North East Road Sector Development Scheme  |  |        |
| 19 | DoNER                          | Special Development Packages   |  |        |
| 20 | Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare | Integrated Scheme on Agricultural Cooperation  |  | 144    |
| 21 | Fertilizers                    | Urea Subsidy   |  | 60,467 |

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|----|--------------------------------|--|---|--------|
| 22 | DFPD                           | Revised policy for distribution of sugar through Public Distribution System (PDS) for Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) families |   | 380    |
| 23 | Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare |  | Krishionnati Yojana (Components )   | 73,092 |
| 24 | Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare |  | Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (Components: Organic farming, Soil Health & fertility, Rainfed area development, Agriculture Mechanisatoin (including Promotion of Agricultural Mechanisation and Management of Crop Residue (CRM)), Village haats & GRAAMS, Crop Diversification Programme and Per Drop More Crop) |        |
| 25 | Coal                           | Exploration of coal and Lignite  |   | 2,143  |