

Government of Jammu & Kashmir

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Civil Secretariat J&K Jammu

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Minutes of the meeting, held under the Chairmanship of Shri. Arun Kumar Mehta, IAS, Chief Secretary, J&K on 25.01.2023 at 11:00 AM in Meeting Hall 2nd Floor Civil Secretariat Jammu, regarding review of Physical/Financial Progress achieved under UT Capex Budget 2022-23 (ending December 2022).

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1. All Administrative Secretaries to Government.
2. Director General, Budget, Finance Department.
3. Director General, Dev. Expenditure Division-II, Finance Department.
4. Director, SKIMS Soura, Srinagar (through VC).
5. Director, Resources, Finance Department.
6. All Directors/ Joint Directors/Deputy Director, posted in Civil Secretariat.
7. Principal, SKIMS Bemina, Srinagar (through VC).

At the outset, Director General, Development Expenditure Division-II welcomed the worthy Chief Secretary J&K and the Officers participating in the meeting. Thereafter, Director General Development Expenditure Division -II gave a detailed power point presentation on Physical/Financial Progress achieved under UT Capex Budget during the year 2022-23 (ending December 2022). Chief Secretary in the initial remarks expressed satisfaction that on the side of physical completion of projects/works there has been substantial improvement in the achievements in comparison to achievements made during the previous year particularly during the pre-reorganization period.

Detailed discussion was held on various issues faced by the respective Administrative Secretaries in the meeting which included further streamlining the timely release of funds so that the set targets are achieved without any difficulty. The chair took note of the various issues highlighted by the departments and after detailed discussion on the implementation of Capex budget viz-a-viz



Physical/Financial Progress achieved during the year 2022-23. The following directions were issued by the chair:

S.No	Issue	Direction issued
1.	UT Capex Budget 2022-23 and 2023-24	<p>In order to bring more clarity in the Capex Budget formulation, the chair directed to shift to scheme based budgeting and also issued directions to complete the process of formulation of Capex Budget for the year 2023-24 before ending March-2023.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Action by: All Administrative Departments, DED-II and Budget Division, Finance Department.</p>
2.	Release of funds	<p>After taking into consideration various issues highlighted by the Administrative Secretaries regarding timely release of funds, the Chair directed that:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. 100% funds shall be released to the projects which are expected to be completed in the current financial year; ii. The departments should do due diligence while preparing the Action Plan so that no additionality is demanded during the course of year, except in case of extreme and justified cases; iii. In respect of seasonal activities which can be executed/ implemented during the particular season only, the funds shall be released in time so that expenditure is booked as per the timely requirement. <p style="text-align: center;">Action by : All Administrative Departments and Budget Division, Finance Department</p>
3.	Prioritization of works	<p>In order to achieve maximum physical and financial progress under Capex Budget the chair directed all the departments to prioritize the works that are to be taken up in the next financial year and to include such projects in the plan which can be completed in a time bound manner in the next financial year and direct bearing on public good.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Action by: All Administrative Departments and DED-II Finance Department.</p>



4.	Target of works likely to be completed during 2022-23.	<p>The chair emphasized on achieving the physical completion of 70000 works (excluding MGNREGA) during the current financial year and directed to revisit the targets fixed for current financial year and wherever feasible make a revision of the physical targets on a higher side so that target of 70000 works is achieved during the current financial year.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action by: All Administrative Departments, DED-I and DED-II, Finance Department,</p>
5.	Monthly Review Meeting	<p>In order to monitor the implementation of Capex Budget, all Administrative Departments/Finance Department shall hold monthly review meetings to monitor the Physical and Financial progress achieved under Capex Budget.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action by: All Administrative Departments and DED-II, Finance Department.</p>
6.	Internal roads of Tourism Development Authorities	<p>After discussion on the issue raised by both the PWD(R&B) Department and Tourism Department, the chair directed that the budget for the internal roads of Tourism Development Authorities shall be reflected under Tourism Department and the works shall be executed by PWD(R&B) Department.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action by : PWD(R&B) and Tourism Department</p>
7.	Clearance of old bills/ liabilities	<p>The chair expressed his concern that despite release of funds for clearance of past work done liabilities including Amarnath Yatra, still some people are approaching for clearance of past work done claims and directed to be vigilant while clearing the old bills/ liabilities older than 2 years and make sure that claims are genuine and there is proper justification for delay in payments so as to ensure the proper utilization of funds.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action by : Budget Division, Finance Department</p>
8.	Loan and Advances	<p>The issue of late release of NABARD loan was highlighted by the Administrative Secretaries, the chair</p>



		<p>directed that a mechanism shall be devised for timely processing of the cases of NABARD loan and release of funds to the departments so that the funds are utilized well in time and departments are able to incur the expenditure.</p> <p>Action by : Resources Division, Finance Department</p>
9.	G-20 Summit	<p>For successful conduct of upcoming event of G-20 Summit, the chair directed all the Administrative Departments to be fully ready and carve some provision in the Budget for upcoming G-20 Summit in the UT as the event will be showcasing of India's Pride and Performance.</p> <p>Action by: All Administrative Departments</p>
10.	Development of Heritage Sites	<p>While highlighting the importance of heritage sites in the UT, the chair directed the Culture Department to shift its focus on this area and develop the various heritage sites in the UT as there is tremendous scope in this sector which has not been fully exploited and promoted.</p> <p>Action by : Culture Department</p>
11.	Employment Generation	<p>The chair directed that Labor & Employment Department shall take lead in coordinating the implementation of self-employment schemes particularly administered by various line departments. Further, Labour and Employment Department shall prepare a detailed presentation for the Chief Secretary in this regard.</p> <p>Action by : Labor & Employment Department</p>

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.


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2. All Administrative Secretaries to Government.
3. Director General Budget, Finance Department.
4. Director General, DED- I, Finance Department.
5. Director, SKIMS, Soura, Srinagar.
6. All HoDs of Finance Department.
7. Director Finance (Resources) Finance Department.
8. All Director/Joint Director/Deputy Director Planning.
9. Principal, SKIMS Bemina, Srinagar.
10. Private Secretary to Chief Secretary for information of the Chief Secretary.
11. Private Secretary to Administrative Secretary Finance Department for information of the Administrative Secretary.
12. PA to Director General, DED- II, Finance Department.
13. Incharge Website Finance Department for information and n/a.