



GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR
FINANCE DEPARTMENT
Civil Secretariat, Srinagar/Jammu

Subject: Expenditure Reforms: Streamlining spending in Government Departments to avoid last minute rush of expenditure.
Reference: Appropriation Act No 1 & 2 of 2018, Dated: December, 15th, 2018 and Expenditure reforms Orders/Circulars issued from time to time.

Government Order No. 186-F of 2019

Dated: 07-03-2019

In the context of aforementioned subject and reference, the following directions are issued for strict adherence by all the Administrative Departments, Head of the Departments (HoDs), Drawing and Disbursing Officers (DDOs) and all the Treasury Officers (TOs):

- i. The Finance Department reiterate instructions issued vide Circular No: 109-FD of 2019, dated: 31-01-2019 that the expenditure during the last month of the current financial year 2018-19 shall be restricted to not more than 15% of the revised estimates 2018-19. This shall be within the overall ceiling of 30 % expenditure allowed during the last quarter of the current financial year 2018-19. However the relaxations allowed vide above mentioned circular shall continue to be operative for the funds released after 1st, October, 2018. The Treasury officers shall continue to have an added responsibility to ensure that the Administrative Departments/HoDs/DDCs are held to the above expenditure ceiling.
- ii. The Finance Department shall not consider any additionality and liability at this stage as Revised Estimates 2018-19 have been adopted and released in full.
- iii. Any proposal for re-appropriation shall be considered only upto 10th of March, 2019 on merits in the Finance Department only in respect of savings to be utilized for authorized pending work done liabilities, salary shortfalls etc only.
- iv. Payments in the last month shall be made only for goods and services already procured. No amounts shall be released in advance except in the following circumstances:
 - a) Advance payments to contractors under terms of duly executed contracts so that Government would not renege on its legal or contractual obligations.


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- b) Any loans or advances to Government servants etc. or private individuals as a measure of relief and rehabilitation as per service conditions or on compassionate grounds.
- c) Any other exceptional case with the approval of the Finance Department.
- v. Rush of expenditure on procurement shall be avoided during the last month of the year so as to ensure that all procedures are complied with and there is no infructuous or wasteful expenditure. Director Finance / Financial Advisors are advised to specially monitor this aspect in their respective departments.
- vi. Proposal for advance drawl/revalidation, authorization of funds if any pertaining to financial year 2018-19 shall be submitted to the Finance Department well before 12th of March, 2019. No advance Drawl, Revalidation, Authorization proposal shall be processed beyond 12th of March, 2019.
- vii. Proposals for parking of funds in "Civil Deposits" in order to avoid lapsing of funds shall not be entertained and processed.
- viii. Issuance of hundies stands already banned. The Departments are advised not to move any proposal in this regard.
- ix. Treasury Officers will not entertain any bill/cheque for payment after working hours on 29th March, 2019, pertaining to financial year 2018-19 and all the DDOs are advised to plan their bill presentation accordingly at treasury.
- x. Under no circumstances, any bill in respect of financial year 2018-19 shall be received in the treasuries on the last two working days of financial year i.e 30th and 31st March, 2019, the date on which only pending payments will be made and accounts reconciled.
2. All the Administrative Secretaries must effectively supervise and shall be responsible for ensuring compliance of the standard measures outlined above. Director Finance/Financial Advisors shall assist the respective Administrative Secretaries in securing the compliance to the measures and also submit regular report to the Finance Department for any violation of guidelines.

By order of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir.

Sd/-

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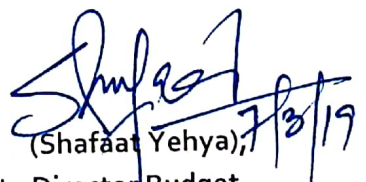
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32. I/c Website, FD. (www.jakfinance.nic.in).
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34. Government orders file (wzscs).


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