GOVERNMENT OF ORISSA
FINANCE DEPARTMENT
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From

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To

The Principal Secretaries/
Commissioner-Cum-Secretaries/
Secretaries/Special Secretaries to Govt.
(All Departments).

Sub: Information relating to additional statements on Committed liabilities, Implications of Major Policy Decisions/ New Schemes proposed in the Budget and Segregation of Maintenance Expenditure into Salary and Non Salary items.

Ref: Finance Deptt. Letter No. 25514 (40)/F., dated 20.05.2009 addressed to Secretaries to Govt. (all Departments)

Sir,

In inviting reference to the subject cited above, I am directed to say that all Administrative Departments of Government and Heads of Departments had been advised in the letter referred to above to take follow up action on the action points relating to “Committed Liabilities”, “Implications of Major Policy Decisions” and “Segregation of Salary and Non-Salary portion of Maintenance Expenditure” as per guidelines indicated in para-4 to para - 6 of the said letter. In para-7 of the said letter, it was advised that “To begin with, the information relating to the above items for the year 2008-09 should be collected from the Heads of Offices by the Controlling Officers by 15th June, 2009 and sent to the respective Administrative Departments by 30th June, 2009 so as to enable them to send the information to Finance Department by 15th July, 2009”.

Even after lapse of 8 months from the cut off date of 15th July, 2009, most of the Departments, have not furnished their information to Finance Department for which it has not been possible to compile the data and send the same to the A.G (A & E), Orissa, Bhubaneswar.

In Letter No. AA-Fin-1-1-(2009-10)-473 dated 15.01.2010, the DAG (Accounts), O/O the A.G. (A & E), Orissa, Bhubaneswar have intimated that the C & A.G. of India has issued some clarifications on compilation of data on Committed Liabilities and segregation of Maintenance Expenditure into salary and non-salary items which have been prescribed in the D.O. letter No. 197-AC.I/SP-II/60-2005 Vol.VI dated 19th March, 2009 of the Deputy Comptroller and Auditor General (LB & AEC) addressed to Chief Secretary, a copy of which was sent to all Depts. of Govt. in this Deptt. Letter No. 25514 (40)/F., dated 20.05.2009.
Sending the clarifications, they have requested to bring the same to the notice of all concerned for compilation of information for the year 2009-10. They have also made a request to send the information for 2009-10 to them by 31.05.2010.

A copy of Letter No. AA-Fin.-1-1-(2009-10)-473 dated 15.01.2010, which contains the clarifications referred to above, is sent herewith for further necessary action at your end.

The information for the year 2009-10 may be sent to this Department by 15.04.2010 for compilation and onward transmission to the O/O the A.G (A & E), Orissa, Bhubaneswar.

Memo No. 12570(I/F.), Dt. 22/3/10

Copy alongwith copy of enclosures forwarded to all Heads of Departments for information and necessary action.

Joint Secretary to Govt.

Memo No. 12571(I/F.), Dt. 22/3/10

Copy forwarded to A.G (A & E), Orissa, Bhubaneswar for favour of information and necessary action.

Joint Secretary to Govt.

Memo No. 12521(I/F.), Dt. 22/3/10

Copy alongwith copy of enclosures forwarded to all Officers and Branches of Finance Department for information and necessary action.

Joint Secretary to Govt.

Memo No. 12573(I/F.), Dt. 22/3/10

Copy alongwith copy of enclosures forwarded to FA/AFA of all Departments of Government for information and necessary action.

Joint Secretary to Govt.
To The Principal Secretary to Government of Orissa, Finance Department, Bhubaneswar.

Sub: Information relating to additional statements on Committed Liabilities, Implication for Major Policy Decisions/New schemes proposed in the Budget and segregation of Maintenance Expenditure into salary and non-salary items.

Sir,

In inviting a reference to Finance Department letter No.FC(13)-05/2009/25514(40)/F dated:20.05.2009 I am to state that in the said letter all the administrative departments were requested to issue necessary instruction to the F.As/A.F.As. as well as the Controlling Officers and the Heads of Offices/DDOs. under their administrative control to furnish the information relating to Committed Liabilities, Implication for Major Policy Decisions/New Schemes proposed in the Budget and segregation of Maintenance Expenditure into salary and Non-salary items for the year 2008-2009 and to stabilize the process of compilation of the data for future years. The above information for the year 2008-2009 have not been received from any of the departments.

In the mean time the C&A.G. of India has issued some clarifications on compilation of data on Committed Liabilities and segregation of Maintenance Expenditure into salary and non-salary items. They are as follows.

Committed Liabilities (Annexure-I)

(II) States share in Centrally Sponsored Schemes: - This would depict the amount which was to be released by the state in the current year of account but was not released and would have to be released in the next year.

(III) Liabilities in the form of transfer of Plan Schemes to Non-Plan Heads: - This would generally arise at the close of the plan period. If the State Government has transferred any plan scheme during the intervening period it may be specified/recorded accordingly.

(IV) Liabilities arising from incomplete Projects:- This would depict the difference between the cost of the project and current years outlay i.e. the committed expenditure that would have to be incurred over the following year(s) until completion of the project.

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While compiling the information on committed liabilities the following points may also be looked into.

(i) Information is to be given for different periods for each of the items.
(ii) Non-Plan salary expenditure, pensions, Interest payments etc. could be estimated and projected at least for the next three years.
(iii) Bills pending for payment would pertain to current year of account.
(iv) Accrued debt implies installments of debt that would be taken on books in future when cash flow takes place but for which committed repayment liability for the future years has arisen.

Statement on Maintenance Expenditure of the State (Annexure III)

(i) The words “in future” appearing in heading may be deleted.
(ii) Information is to be given major head wise. (Revenue heads and Capital heads)
(iii) Where maintenance expenditure is at the object head level, the vouchers may be seen to identify the purpose of expenditure. If salary and non-salary portions are separately given, action would be taken to collect the information from the vouchers.
(iv) Alternatively where salary and non-salary portion were not being depicted in the maintenance expenditure, relevant heads at the appropriate tier of classification would have to be opened in the State Budget.

So far as Appendix-II—“Implications for Major Policy Decisions during the year on New Schemes proposed in the Budget for future cash flows” is concerned the information is required to be given both for State Plan as well as Central Plan/Centrally Sponsored Plan Schemes.

The above clarifications may kindly be brought to the notice of all concerned for compilation of information for the year 2009-10. We are committed to strict date line in this regard. You may kindly make suitable arrangements to make available of the said information in Finance Department so that the same is received in this office latest by 31st May 2010 this year positively and by the same date in subsequent years.

Yours faithfully,

(SHANKAR SAHOO)
Deputy Accountant General (Accounts)