## GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA FINANCE DEPARTMENT

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From

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The Additional Chief Secretaries/ All Principal Secretaries/Secretaries to the Government All Heads of the Department/All Collectors

## Sub: Mopping up of Government money parked outside the Public Account by DDOs and Implementing Agencies.

## Madam/Sir,

I am directed to say that COVID-19 related lock-down has affected the activities across all the sectors of the economy resulting in limited resource flow to the State Government exchequer. The State Government will have to discharge its committed liabilities and also finance COVID-19 management activities.

2. In this scenario, as the tax and non-tax revenue is adversely affected, any parking of the Government money in bank accounts is not only affecting the cash balance of the State, but also having a negative carry on the interest accrued against such idle Government money when compared to the cost of borrowing.

3. Unauthorized parking of Government money outside the Public Account in contravention of financial rules and instructions issued by Finance Department has been discouraged by the State Government vide FD Letter No.23583/F dated 10.07.2019 read with FD Letter No.32215/F dated 21.11.2014.

4. Now as a measure to improve the cash balance of the State Government for financing the COVID-19 related emergent expenditure and other committed expenditure, it is decided that Government money parked in Bank accounts by DDOs and Implementing Agencies without authorization, would be ploughed back to the State Government Account. Accordingly, the Administrative Departments should take immediate steps in mopping up of the Government Money parked in Bank accounts classified as below :

- i. State Sector Scheme money parked in the bank account for more than 2 years: Administrative Departments should instruct all DDOs and Implementing Agencies under them to deposit State Sector Scheme money parked in the bank account for more than 2 years in the Treasury immediately. The remittance to the State treasury is to be made against the specific Major Head and Sub Major Head, under which it was granted, mapped to Minor Head "911-Deduct Recoveries of Overpayments- 1889-Deduct Recoveries- 49015-Deduct Recoveries of Overpayments" (as per para 3.10 of List of Major and Minor Heads).
- ii. Money in respect of closed schemes or schemes no more in operation for more than 2 years parked in the bank account: Money in respect of closed schemes or schemes no more in operation for more than 2 years parked in the bank account are also to be deposited back in State Government exchequer. Administrative Departments should also instruct all DDOs and Implementing Agencies under them to deposit the money in respect of closed schemes and schemes no more in operation for more than 2 years parked in the bank account in the Treasury immediately. The remittance to the State treasury is to be made against the specific Major Head and Sub Major Head, under which it was granted, mapped to Minor Head "911-Deduct Recoveries of Overpayments- 1889-Deduct Recoveries- 49015-Deduct Recoveries of Overpayments" (as per para 3.10 of List of Major and Minor Heads).
- iii. Accrued interest on Government money deposited in Bank account: The interest accrued on account of such parking of Government money in bank accounts by DDOs and Implementing Agencies unless specifically mentioned for utilization for the scheme (in the scheme guideline or separate instruction) is to be remitted to the Treasury in the Head of Account "0075- MISCELLANEOUS GENERAL SERVICES - 00-800-OTHER RECEIPTS - 0097- Misc. Receipts - 02082- Miscellaneous other Receipts".
- iv. Unclassified amount parked in Bank Account of DDOs and Implementing Agencies: Any unclassified amount parked in Bank Account of DDOs and Implementing Agencies is also to be deposited State Government account back in the as miscellaneous receipt. Administrative Departments should also instruct all DDOs and Implementing Agencies under them to deposit all such unclassified amount of money in the Treasury in the Head of Account "0075-MISCELLANEOUS GENERAL SERVICES - 00-800-OTHER RECEIPTS - 0097-Misc. Receipts - 02082- Miscellaneous other Receipts".

4. All the Administrative Departments and Heads of the Departments are here by requested to ensure that the DDOs and Implementing Agencies under their control deposit the above parked money into the State Treasury within a period of **one month** from the date of issue of this letter. The Financial Advisors/ Asst. Financial Advisors of the Departments and Chief Accounts Officers/ Accounts Officers of the Heads of the Departments should monitor and verify the bank accounts of the DDOs and Implementing Agencies. The DDOs should furnish a **certificate** to the Treasury along with the salary bill for the month of May, 2020 that they have deposited the entire parked fund available in the bank accounts held by them as per this letter into Government Account, failing which the salary bills for the month of June, 2020 onwards would not be processed by the concerned Treasuries/Special Treasuries/ Sub-Treasuries till such exercise is completed and the certificate is furnished. Further, Administrative Departments are requested to review the action taken by DDOs under their control and also by all PSUs/ Societies/ Autonomous Bodies and any other entity set up by Government under their Department to comply with above instructions.

5. In case there would be requirement for expenditure in respect of any of the existing/ closed schemes in future, funds would be made available through re-budgeting under those schemes.

6. Any Department, Heads of department, DDO or implementing Agency seeking any clarification relating to classification of the money parked and the appropriate Head of Account to deposit the money, can make reference directly through e-mail to **budgetofficer.od@gov.in** or by WhatsApp to **(+91)9438161111**. Clarification to the concerned authority would be sent through return mail or by WhatsApp at the earliest.

Yours Faithfully,

Sd/Principal Secretary to Government