

**GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA  
FINANCE DEPARTMENT**

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**From**

**Shri Ashok Meena, IAS  
Principal Secretary to Government**

**To**

**The Additional Chief Secretaries/  
Principal Secretaries/  
Commissioner-cum-Secretaries/  
Secretaries to Government  
All Departments**

**Sub: Withdrawal of expenditure rationalization measures adopted in the wake of economic downturn due to the pandemic Covid-19.**

**Ref: Finance Department Letter No.20042/F dated 07.07.2020, Letter No.31785/F dated 01.12.2020 and Letter No.07 dated 01.01.2021.**

**Sir/ Madam,**

I am directed to invite reference to FD Letter No. 20042/F dt.07.07.2020 read with Letter No.31785/F dt.01.12.2020 and Letter No.07 dated 01.01.2021 and to say that Government had adopted some expenditure rationalization measures in the wake of economic downturn due to the pandemic Covid-19. With constant monitoring of the pandemic situation, full scale resumption of economic activities and vaccination drive across the country, the State economy is experiencing recovery resulting in improvement in resource realization of the State Government. The priority has now shifted towards higher investment in priority sectors for revival of the economy and employment generation.

2. In order to facilitate higher public spending in priority sectors during the remaining period of the FY 2020-21 as well as in the coming financial year, Government has been pleased to withdraw the expenditure rationalization measures imposed vide Finance Department Letter No 20042/F dated 07.07.2020. This withdrawal shall also be applicable to all Aided Institutions/ Co-operatives/ Autonomous Organizations.

I would, therefore, request you to kindly instruct the COs/ DDOs under your control accordingly, so as to enable the State Government to achieve the desired development needs.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

**Principal Secretary to Government**