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FINANCE DEPARTMENT

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Dated Peshawar the 29/10/2018

To

- 1) The Additional Chief Secretary, P&D Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- 2) The Senior Member, Board of Revenue, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- 3) All Administrative Secretaries to Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- 4) The Principal Secretary to Governor, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- 5) The Principal Secretary to Chief Minister, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- 6) All Divisional Commissioners in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- 7) All Heads of Attached Departments in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- 8) All Heads of Autonomous/Semi-Autonomous Bodies in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- 9) All Deputy Commissioners in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- 10) The Registrar, Peshawar High Court, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- 11) The Secretary, Provincial Assembly, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar
- 12) The Registrar, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal Peshawar.
- 13) The Secretary, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Public Service Commission, Peshawar.

Subject: - **ECONOMY/AUSTERITY MEASURES FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2018-19**

Dear Sir,

I am directed to refer to the subject noted above and to say that the Provincial Cabinet in its meeting held on 15/10/2018 while considering the Budget Estimates approved the following guiding principles to maintain fiscal discipline and control over expenditure, to be effective from 1st November, 2018:-

- 1) There shall be complete ban on:
 - i. Creation of posts except posts required for completed Developmental Projects.
 - ii. Treatment abroad on Provincial Government's expense.
 - iii. Purchase of new vehicles except Ambulances, Earth moving machinery, Fire Trucks, Tractors, Non-Luxury Police vehicles, Single Cab Pickup 4x4 and 4x2, 3 Door Jeeps, Trucks, Buses, Prisoners Vans, Motorcycles, Water Bowser Trucks, Recovery/Rescue vehicles, Rescue/Life Saving boats.
 - iv. Participation in workshops/seminars and training abroad involving provincial funds.
 - v. Holding Seminars and Workshops in Five Star Hotels involving Provincial funds.
 - vi. Upgradation of posts, all type of allowances and salary raise till June 2019.
- 2) All Administrative Secretaries and Heads of Autonomous/Semi-Autonomous Bodies, being Principal Accounting Officers, shall conduct meetings of Departmental Accounts Committee regularly under intimation to Finance Department so as to ensure internal audit of their respective Departments /Organizations.
- 3) To achieve the budgeted Provincial Revenue targets, Finance Department shall convene monthly meetings to be attended by Administrative Secretaries of the concerned Departments.
- 4) No appointment of contingent paid staff shall be made during the course of the financial year 2018-19.
- 5) No appointment shall be made against leave vacancies without prior approval of Finance Department.
- 6) No appointment will be made against vacant posts (except Class-IV) without obtaining NOC from the concerned Surplus Pool.

- 7) Principal Accounting Officers will make sure that no appointment is made against a vacant post of dying cadre and will also initiate disciplinary action, if any such appointments have been made previously.
- 8) Expenditure shall be restricted to the funds released and the Administrative Departments shall not incur expenditure in anticipation of additional or supplementary grants.
- 9) No developmental scheme involving creation of posts (Revenue Component) will be considered without prior clearance of Finance Department.
- 10) No department shall retain receipts in Bank Accounts. The Departments must remit all Receipts to Provincial Account forthwith except where Departments/ facilities have been specifically permitted under some Statute/Act.
- 11) No funds will be utilized on account of annual and special repair of such Roads & Buildings which have been repaired / rehabilitated during last three years except flood and earthquake affected Government infrastructure.
- 12) The advertisement charges allocated under Current Revenue Expenditure shall be utilized on current side only. As regards expenditure on developmental side, necessary provision will be made in the PC-I(s)/Costs Estimate(s) of the concerned scheme(s) whereas the devolved Department's expenditure on this account shall be met out of Account-IV of the District concerned.
- 13) All Autonomous / Semi-Autonomous bodies, Medical Teaching Institutions, other Institutions and Authorities under Provincial Government shall adopt the measures within their respective organizations with the approval of their competent forums.
- 14) All Administrative Secretaries shall submit viable proposals to Finance Department within a month to initiate the process of cost cuttings in the Current and Development budget as well as suggestions for revenue enhancements. All such proposals shall be brought before the Cabinet for approval.

2. The above Economy/Austerity Measures for the financial year 2018-19 may kindly be implemented in letter and spirit.

Yours faithfully,


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Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:-

- 1) The Accountant General, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
- 2) All Additional Finance Secretaries, Finance Department.
- 3) The Director FMIU, Finance Department.
- 4) All Deputy Secretaries, Finance Department.
- 5) All District Comptrollers of Accounts/District Accounts Officers, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- 6) All the Budget/Section Officers, Finance Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- 7) Private Secretaries to all Provincial Ministers, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- 8) Private Secretary to Chief Secretary, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
- 9) Private Secretaries to Finance Secretary/Special Secretary Finance.