

GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY
PLANNING AND RESEARCH DEPARTMENT

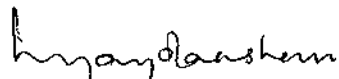
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Sub: PRD – Review on progress of Plan expenditure - Minutes
of the meeting held on 29.08.2013 – Communication of
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Minutes of the meeting held on 29.08.2013 under the Chairmanship of
Chief Secretary in connection with the review on progress of Plan expenditure is
sent herewith for necessary action.


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Director

To

1. Heads of Departments concerned (As per list).
2. Budget Officer, Finance Department
3. Deputy Director, Ways & Means

Copy to:

1. Secretary to Govt. concerned
2. Spl. Secretary to Govt. (Personnel)
3. Addl. Secretary to Govt. (Finance)
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5. PS to Chief Secretary
6. PA to Secretary (Plg.)
7. PA to Director (Plg.)

**Minutes of the Plan expenditure review meeting held on 29.08.2013
under the chairmanship of Chief Secretary**

A meeting under the chairmanship of Chief Secretary was held on 29.08.2013 to review the progress of expenditure of Plan departments. 20 major departments were called for the review (list appended). Secretary (Finance/Welfare), Secretary (Local Administration/Art & culture), Special Secretary(Town Planning) and Special Secretary (Revenue) attended the meeting.

Chief Secretary took up department-wise review. The issues that emerged in the meeting are briefly summarized as follows:

Co-operative:

The less expenditure is due to non-release of share capital/grant-in-aid to co-operative institutions for which proposals have not been concurred by the Finance department for want of audited statement. It was explained that the smaller co-operative societies have not completed the audit which is the reason for non-submission of audit report. On completion of the audit, proposal will be resubmitted and expenditure be booked by 50%.

Adi-draavidar Welfare:

The department is in the process of getting revalidation of sanction of the last financial year to the extent of Rs.35.00 crore and assured that 50% of the expenditure would be booked by Sept 2013.

With regard to non-disbursement of completed houses to the beneficiaries, it was suggested by the CS to make allotment to the beneficiaries and intimate them to occupy after the completion of infrastructure facilities.

ADW being the nodal department to monitor the expenditure in respect of SCSP.

Agriculture:

Expenditure to the tune of Rs.21.00 crore would be booked within Sept. 2013. It was informed that social audit will be undertaken for the drought relief programme of Karaikal region.

Art & Culture:

CS observed that like in some States, the activities in Art & Culture department to be in co-ordination with Tourism department. Regarding the modernization of museum, it was informed that DPR is under preparation in consultation with Archeological Survey of India.

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School Education:

Additional routes based on demand are under consideration for the students' special bus scheme. A comprehensive proposal is prepared by School Education department to frame rules and regulations, guidelines for operating the students' special buses.

The proposal for forming a committee to examine the feasibility of CBSE pattern in govt. schools would be submitted within a week. CS wanted to consider the feasibility of introducing of IB pattern (International Bacculerate) also in one or two schools along with CBSE pattern.

The land transfer for Kendra Vidyalaya at Karaikal need to be expedited.

A meeting to resolve the problems of handing over the land adjoining to the Community college, Lawspet for expansion of Airport may be taken immediately.

Electricity:

CS advised to take appropriate action on the non-operationalisation of phase II port project by M/s. Marg. Ltd.

Fisheries:

Regarding disbursement of relief to fishermen, CS advised the department to submit a file on the status position and the problems faced in the disbursement. Further the ban on usage of special fishing nets by neighbouring State fishermen may be sorted out with the concerned.

Health:

CS suggested to take the construction of Specialty Hospital through PPP mode in the first instance and then go for the proposed medical college as already approved in file by Hon'ble Chief Minister.

Labour:

Under skill development in other States, ITIs have agreements with industries like Tata/Escorts, etc. Similarly such projects could be taken in consultation with the industries here. CS advised the Labour Commissioner to discuss the issue separately.

Local Administration:

The main restriction in according concurrence for expenditure sanction proposal under LAD is due to non submission of UCs. Secretary (Finance) wanted the department to furnish the UC for the completed works while sending the expenditure sanction proposal. Proposals for obtaining block sanction under MLA Local Area development scheme has been sent to Finance department and expenditure will be booked once Finance department concurs.

Public Works:

While reviewing the expenditure position, it was assured by Chief Engineer that the remaining pipelines in respect of water supply project for Yanam will be completed by December of this year. A revised estimate for Rs.24.00 crore for the construction of Kamaraj Manimandapam is under preparation.

Social Welfare:

While reviewing the hostel schemes, it was informed that due to escalation of estimate cost, GOI is not increasing central share, hence the funds could not be spent. Since the estimate was for accommodating 100 students, CS suggested to scale down the estimate for 50 OBC students and in the event of increase inmate strength, additional blocks could be planned.

Revenue:

CS wanted Special Secretary(Revenue) to pursue the signing of agreement with World bank on EAP project.

Tourism:

Approval of the proposal for release of GIA to Tourism Development Corporation and Catering College will increase expenditure progressively. CS advised to bring all the guest houses/tourist homes under common department of protocol so that the administrative approval would be simplified. Proposal to be moved in this regard.

Town Planning:

In view of the poor expenditure, CS wanted the Special Secretary to chalk out the timeline of expenditure booking of the department. He decided to review the expenditure progress of Town & country planning separately.

Annexure

**List of departments participated In the Expenditure Review Meeting held on
29.08.2013.**

1. Director of AD Welfare
2. Director of Agriculture
3. Director of Animal Husbandry
4. Director of Art & Culture
5. Registrar of Co-operative Societies
6. Director of School Education
7. Director of Higher & Technical Education
8. Superintendent Engineer of Electricity
9. Deputy Director of Fisheries
10. Medical Superintendent of Health & Family Welfare Services
11. Director of Industries
12. Deputy Labour Commissioner of Labour
13. Director of LAD
14. Chief Engineer of PWD
15. Special Officer of Revenue
16. Director of Social Welfare
17. Director of Tourism
18. Chief Town Planner of TCP
19. Commissioner of Transport
20. Director of Women & Child Development.