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GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA

Finance Department.

Resolution No. BGT-2579/201/CR-73/RES-5.

Mantralaya, Bombay-400 032, Dated the 30th May 1979.

READ:- Government Resolution, Finance Department, No. BGT-2578/149/CR-46/RES-5, dated the 17th October 1978.

RESOLUTION:- With a view to regulate and restrict expenditure it is necessary to continue during the current financial year several austerity measures that had been introduced by Government in previous years. Government is, therefore, pleased to direct that the following measures should continue to be in force during 1979-80 also :-

(i) Creation of new posts:- The ban on creation of new posts (inclusive of part-time posts) would continue except in cases of newly sanctioned schemes or specifically approved schemes with the approval of the E.P.C.

(ii) Items of entertainment etc. :- Expenditure on items of entertainment, decoration, bhoomi-pujan, celebrations, cultural programmes etc., should be restricted to the minimum. Such expenditure should be incurred only when it is unavoidable and only on such items as are absolutely essential.

(iii) Tenders for execution of works:- Tenders should not be called for for works in respect of which all procedural formalities and preliminaries are not finalised.

(iv) Early completion of works in progress:- Steps should be taken towards expeditious completion of major and minor works in progress particularly those which have suffered escalations in cost in the past so that the extra burden on Government on this account due to delay in completion is avoided.

(v) Economy in administrative expenditure:- All the spending departments should ensure that on no account their administrative and house-keeping expenditure classifiable under the detailed heads such as "Salaries", "Wages", "Travel Expenses", "Office expenses", "Publications", "Advertising", "Motor vehicle maintenance", etc., exceeds the current year's budget provisions under the respective heads. It should also be ensured by them that utmost economy is observed in all administrative expenditure, with a view to restrict it to sanctioned budget grants.

1648 (vi) Visits to foreign countries:- Visits to foreign countries should not be authorised unless it would serve a specific purpose commensurate with the expenditure incurred. As far as possible, the direct expenditure on Government on account of travel for such visits should not be authorised.

(vii) House Building Advances :- Advances for house building should be restricted to the sanctioned budget grants. As far as possible, all the commitments to complete incomplete works should be given priority.

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(viii) Advances to Government servants for purchase of motor cars:

The ban on advances for purchase of motor cars will continue during the current financial year.

(ix) Filling up vacant posts:- The existing ban on filling up of vacant posts (inclusive of part-time posts) as contained in Government Resolution, Finance Department, No.BGT-2575/132/RES-5, dated 9th October 1975, will continue except in the case of those posts in respect of which ban is not applicable as per the orders of the General Administration Department or in respect of which specific exemption has been given by the Finance Department.

2. The Departments concerned of Mantralaya are requested to ask all State/Public Joint Sector Undertakings/Boards/Corporations and other autonomous bodies under their administrative control to adopt similar measures in their respective organisations.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra,

V. PRABHAKAR,
Secretary to Government,
Finance Department.

To

The Accountant General, Maharashtra I, Bombay,
The Accountant General, Maharashtra II, Nagpur,
The Resident Audit Officer, Bombay,
The Pay and Accounts Officer, Bombay,
The Senior Deputy Director of Commercial Audit Circle, Worli,
Bombay-400 018,
*The Secretary, Maharashtra Public Service Commission, Bombay,
*The Registrar, Office of the Lokayukta and Upa-Lokayukta, Bombay,
*The Secretary, Maharashtra Legislature Secretariat, Bombay,
*The Prothonotary and Senior Master, High Court, Bombay,
*The Registrar, High Court of Judicature, Appellate Side, Bombay,
The Secretary to the Chief Minister,
The Personal Assistants to all Ministers and Ministers of State,
The Secretaries of all Mantralaya Departments,
All Departments of Mantralaya,
All Divisional Commissioners,
All Other Heads of Departments and Heads of Offices under the
several Departments of Mantralaya,
The Chief Executive Officers of all Zilla Parishads,
All Desks in Finance Department,
The Liaison Officer, Mantralaya, Bombay-400 032,
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For Settlement Commissioner and
Director of Land Records,
M. S., Poona.