

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL

Finance Department

Budget Branch

No. 3232-F.B.

Kolkata, the 31st March, 2012

MEMORANDUM

The undersigned is directed to say that Vote-on-Account Budget of the State Government for the first four months of 2012-2013 has been passed by the West Bengal Legislative Assembly. Copies of the West Bengal Appropriation (Vote-on-Account) Act, 2012 have been forwarded to the Administrative Departments under Finance (Budget) Department Memo. No. 3231 -F.B. dated 31st March, 2012.

The Governor has now been pleased to decide as follows :

I) The Administrative Departments / Controlling Authorities may now make allotment of fund relating to **Non-Plan** expenditure for **Salary Items** (including Salary grants & Wages) upto **33%** and **Non-Salary Items** upto **25%** of the whole year's budget provision subject to the amount provided under Vote-on-Account for the four months (**April, May, June and July, 2012**) of the financial year 2012-13.

a) Within the powers delegated under Delegation of Financial Power Rules, 1977 as amended from time to time or by virtue of the powers delegated in specific cases, the Administrative Departments / Controlling Authorities may sanction expenditure out of the Non-Plan allotment of fund **except** in the following cases : i) **33-Subsidies** ii) **Finance Commission's Grants** iii) **55-Loans & Advances** and iv) **Schemes for which Central assistance is available.**

In the case of new projects / schemes, and also approved projects / schemes for which deviations from approved norms are considered necessary, approval of the Finance Department will be required before release of fund by the Administrative Departments / Controlling Authorities.

The concerned Departments will be required to furnish necessary information in the prescribed proforma regarding repayment of loans as per Finance Department Memo No.80-F.B. dated 17.04.2006.

b) The Administrative Departments / Controlling Authorities may make allotment of fund relating to **State Plan** expenditure for the four months (**April, May, June and July, 2012**) of the financial year 2012-2013 upto **25%** of the whole year's budget provision subject to the amount provided under Vote-on-Account and also sanction expenditure **except** in the following cases for which concurrence from the Finance Department in Budget Branch will have to be obtained :

i) Schemes relating to EAP, RIDF, 13th FC, NCDC, REC, CRF, APDRP, AIBP, BADP, ACA under Article 275(I), TSP (relating to BCW Deptt.), BRGF, NPAG, NeGAP, HADP, RKVY, GLB, (State Finance Commission), JNNURM, One-time ACA ii) State Share for Centrally Sponsored Schemes or any other Scheme for which Central assistance is available iii) Central Share under State Plan and iv) release of fund under 33- Subsidies, 55-Loans and Advances, 54-Investment.

In the case of new projects / schemes and also approved projects / schemes for which deviations from approved norms are considered necessary, approval of the Finance Department will be required before release of fund by the Administrative Departments / Controlling Authorities.

All proposals for release of fund for **Centrally Sponsored , Central Sector and Centrally assisted State Plan Schemes** will have to be referred to the Finance Department for concurrence subject to the Finance Department Memo **No.2425-FB dated 27.12.2011.**

The power delegated to the Additional Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/Secretary of the 14 (Fourteen) Departments under Finance Department Memo No. 2425-FB dated 27.12.2011 will be subject to the limit of Vote-on-Account provision i.e. 33% of the budget provision during the current financial year.

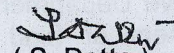
The concerned Departments will be required to furnish necessary information in the prescribed proforma regarding release of Plan Fund as per Finance Department Memo No.52(75)-F.B. dated 12.04.2006.

II) All Departments should immediately issue orders of allotment to their subordinate offices. It may be noted that subject to the provision contained in Finance Deptt. Memo. No. 2312-F(Y) dated 19.03.2012 no bill will be passed by the Treasury/Pay & Accounts Office without an allotment order. The Treasuries/Pay and Accounts Offices have been advised accordingly.

III) While issuing orders for sanctioning expenditure in exercise of the powers delegated under this Memorandum, the following sentence should be inserted in such orders "This order issues in exercise of the powers delegated under Finance Department Memo No.3232-F.B. dated 31.03.2012".

IV) The powers delegated to the Administrative Departments / Controlling Authorities to release fund are subject to the following conditions :-

- a) The project / scheme for which fund is to be released has been administratively approved following the existing procedure after obtaining concurrence of the Finance Department ;
- b) The amount to be released can be accommodated within the Vote-on-Account provision under the project / scheme ;
- c) There are no deviations – technical or otherwise – from the approved norms ;
- d) Restrictions on creation of posts, purchase / hiring of cars and other restrictions imposed by the Finance Department are to be observed.

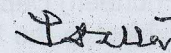

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2. The Principal Accountant General (Audit), West Bengal,
Treasury Buildings, Kolkata-700 001.
3. The Accountant General (R W & LBA), West Bengal, C.G.O. Complex, 3rd M.S.O. Building, 5th
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4. The Director of Treasuries & Accounts, West Bengal,
4, Lyons Range, 2nd floor, Kolkata- 700 001.
5. The Addl. Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/Secretary/Special Secretary/Joint Secretary,
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Copy of the relevant Act is enclosed.
6.Group/Branch, Finance Department.
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