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To

The Under Secretary Integrated Finance Section M/o Planning, Niti Aayog New Delhi

Sub: Budget and Expenditure Management with respect to QEP and MEP.

Sir,

As per the CASH Management Guidelines released by DEA, M/o Finance , your office released the MEP and QEP of M/o Planning, accordingly the expenditure of the First Quarter is as Below:-

1. M/o Planning(Niti Aayog):-

(Rs. In Lakhs)

S.no	QEP Budget(First Quarter)	Actual Expenditure	Saving(Balance	
			Budget)	
1.	9750	9669.18	80.82	

Attention is invited to blocked budget in the first quarter in the form of letter of Authorizations i.e budget blocked with M/o Urban Development and M/o Information and Broadcasting as pending expenditure at their end. The detail of blocked budget is as below:-

1. M/o Planning(Niti Aayog):-

(Actuals)

S.no	Ministry	Budget Blocked	Expenditure	Balance
			Actuals	Budget
1.	Information and Broadcasting	9,40,770/-	0	9,40,770/-
2.	Urban Development	43,32,051/-	194483.00	41,37,568/-

As per the condition mentioned in the Cash management O.M Dated 23.06.2020 para iv "The amount that remained unspent in a month and quarter will not be available for carry forward for next month and quarter" according to the these guidelines the LOA should be accounted for in the month of issue itself but it is not the case as seen from above. Since the budget blocked above in LOAs are committed liability of the Ministry towards M/o UD and IB, hence the LOA blocked budget should be accounted for in the QEP of the 2nd and subsequent quarters.

In the view of above, you are requested to instruct SMDs/Programme Division/ Dept. under your control while communicating MEP/QEP for the 2nd quarter to instruct the agent Ministry (M/o UD and I&B etc) to account for the LOA in the month of issue itself or maximum in the quarter in order to comply with guidelines of the CASH management O.M. and to plan out future LOA carefully so that the expenditure of the same can be incurred in the month of issue itself(to issue LOA in first 10 days of the month) further, to consider the block budget in LOAs before incurring fresh expenditure and to regularly monitor the expenditure in LOAs in order to maintain the MEP and QEP limits.

This issues with the approval of Controller of Accounts.

S/D

(Munish Singal)

Sr. Accounts Officer (HO)

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1. PAO(Planning), with a request to monitor expenditure in 2nd quarter after considering the expenditure and blocked budget in LOA.