

F. No. 42(02)/PF-II/2014
Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Expenditure

North Block, New Delhi.
Dated :27th, March, 2017

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject : Continuation of ongoing Schemes beyond 12th Five Year Plan : Instructions regarding.

Reference is invited to this Department's O.M. No. 42(02)/PF-II/2014 dated February 23rd, 2017 on the guidelines regarding continuation of ongoing schemes beyond 12th Five Year Plan. Proposals from various Ministries/Departments are being received for approval of interim extension pending the required appraisal/approval. In view of several queries & suggestions received from various Ministries in this regard, the following instructions are further issued :

- (i) Pending appraisal / approval of schemes of a Ministry / Department, an interim extension for a period of six months beyond 31st March, 2017 i.e. till 30th September 2017 is granted for all the schemes that the Ministry/Department wants to continue without changing the scope, nature and coverage of the scheme and without creating additional posts. Ministries/Departments may however, discontinue those schemes which were sanctioned till the end of 2016-17 and which are now proposed for discontinuation.
- (ii) For schemes with financial implication of more than Rs. 500 Crore, the Financial Advisors may prepare a list of all such schemes which the Ministry/Department is proposing for continuation beyond 12th Five Year Plan. This list should be sent to the Department of Expenditure along with reasons for such continuation and expected outcomes thereon, by 7th April 2017 indicating the financial outlay proposed for such scheme in BE 2017-18 and the likely expenditure in the first two quarters.
- (iii) This extension is granted only for a period of six months after March, 2017 i.e. till 30th September, 2017 by which time the appraisal / approval of all such schemes should be completed as per the laid down procedure. No further extension shall be granted for continuation of the schemes.
- (iv) The posts which are created for the schemes shall continue to exist till the period of extension i.e., till 30th September, 2017. Further, if the ongoing scheme continues after the prescribed appraisal in the remaining period of the Fourteenth Finance Commission, the Administrative Ministries / Departments are required to refer the proposals for continuation of such posts beyond 30th September, 2017 to the Department of Expenditure.
- (v) If the information as per (ii) above is not made available to the Department of Expenditure by the stipulated date, FA of the Ministry/ Department will not authorize any releases under the scheme without approval of Department of Expenditure.

This issues with the approval of the Finance Minister.


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