No. F. 1/1/2020-21/Fin(B)/716-722 Govt. of NCT of Delhi Finance (Budget) Department

4th Level, 'A' Wing, Delhi Secretariat, New Delhi 110002

Dated: 04/05/2020

ORDER

Subject: Expenditure Management and Rationalization of Expenditure - COVID-19 Outbreak.

- Finance Department has issued order of even number dated 08.04.2020 on the above subject keeping in view the financial constraints due to shortfall in Revenue as a result of COVID-19. The purpose of the order was that the expenditure relating to preventive measure for maintaining smooth and normal functioning of essential services which are critical to safeguard public interest are not affected. Further the Head of the Department(s) were also advised to incur the expenditure relating to Salaries, and other items as specified in the order referred above for day to day functioning of the office and also to avoid financial hardship to the employees.
- 2. It has been observed that the Departments are sending files to the Finance Department for seeking relaxation/approval in respect of items which are not specified in the order dated 08.04.2020. The intention behind issuance of order dated 08.04.2020 was that the COVID-19 related services are not affected and simultaneously the day to day works of Department is also smoothly continued for providing the services. These orders were for a specific period of three months and thereafter these were to be reviewed.
- 3. All the Departments are requested to keep in abeyance all the proposals till 30.6.2020 which are not covered under order dated 08.04.2020 and no proposal for relaxation/approval be submitted to the Finance Department. Only in exceptional circumstances, where the Department considers that a specific activity/work cannot be postponed till 30.6.2020, a report justifying the urgency of payment may be submitted to the Finance Department for consideration.
- This issues with the prior approval of Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister/Finance Minister. 4.

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Joint Secretary Finance (Budget)

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