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Government of India
Ministry of Human Resource Development
(Department of School Education and Literacy)

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi,
04th April, 2018

To
The Secretary, NCERT,
NCERT Campus,
Sri Aurobindo Marg,
New Delhi-16

Subject: Adherence to Protocol for engagement with Multilateral Development Banks, Bilateral Agencies/ Partners and International Financial Institutions in India –reg.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of this Ministry's communication No. F. 3-1/2016-UU dated 22.03.2018 on the subject mentioned above for information and strict compliance.

Yours faithfully,

T. S. Rautela
(T. S. Rautela)

Deputy Secretary to the Government of India
Tel: 2338 3193

Encl: As above.

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Room No. 203 'C' Wing, Shastri Bhawan,
New Delhi Dated the 22nd March, 2018

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Adherence to Protocol for engagement with Multilateral Development Banks; Bilateral Agencies / Partners, and International Financial Institutions in India reg.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith a copy of the letter No. 14/5/2000-FB-II (Vol.IV) dated 05.03.2018 received from Director (MI), Ministry of Finance, Department of Economic Affairs on the subject mentioned above.

2. As per Government of India (Allocation of Business) Rules, 1961 Department of Economic Affairs (DEA) in the Ministry of Finance acts as nodal Department, inter alia, for all matters relating to:

- (i) Loans, credits, and grants from foreign countries, special agencies, non-governmental foundations, agencies and voluntary bodies;
- (ii) Loans, credits and grants from multilateral agencies;
- (iii) Technical and Economic assistance received by India;

- (a) The United Nations Technical Assistance Administration Programmes
- (b) Ad-hoc offers of technical assistance from various foreign countries, special agencies, non-governmental entities
- (c) United Nations Office of Project Services
- (iv) Technical assistance received by India from or given to foreign governments, international institutions and organizations, except such as are relatable to subjects allocated to any other Department.

3. It is requested that all necessary arrangements be made so as to ensure compliance of the guidelines as mentioned in the said communication.

Yours faithfully



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New Delhi, dated 05.03.2018

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Subject: Adherence to Protocol for engagement with Multilateral Development Banks, Bilateral Agencies/Partners, and International Financial Institutions in India

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2. Accordingly, DEA functions as the political and administrative focal point in India for all engagements with and Multilateral agencies including Multilateral Development Banks (MDBs) such as the World Bank Group, Asian Development Bank (ADB), African Development Bank (AfDB), Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB), and New Development Bank (NDB); Bilateral Agencies such as JICA, KfW, GIZ, AfD, EIB, DFID etc.; and International Financial Institutions such as International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD).

3. In order to ensure that the borrowings from MDBs/ Bilateral Agencies/IFIs are aligned with the developmental priorities and broad policy directions of the Government of India, it is imperative that all proposals from State Governments as well as Central Ministries/Departments - either for loans, technical assistance or advisory services - are routed through DEA, which, after careful scrutiny, are posed by DEA to the MDBs/ Bilateral Agencies/IFIs concerned. On the other hand, the MDBs/Bilateral Agencies/IFIs are also expected to engage with the States, Central Ministries/Departments, Constitutional bodies, and other institutions in India through the DEA. For this purpose, this Department has, from time to time, highlighted the need on part of the States/Central Ministries and Departments, and other institutions on the one hand, and MDBs, Bilateral Agencies, and IFIs on the other, to observe the established protocol in conduct of business with each other.

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