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NATIONAL COUNCIL OF EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH AND TRAINING

MINUTES OF THE 146th MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The 146th Meeting of the Finance Committee of the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) was held on 12th July, 2022 through circulation to consider the item No.6 "**Proposed Utilization of Budgetary Allocation for the year 2022-2023**" which was placed before the 145th meeting of the Finance Committee held on 29th June, 2022 through blended mode and deferred by the Committee *with the observation that the details under each head be provided with justification and obtain approval through circulation as this is necessary for the Council to execute its programmes as per schedule. Also advised that the NCERT to thoroughly review the proposal under Internal Receipts and carry out a cost-benefit analysis of the RIEs, which the NCERT has agreed to do in the larger interest of the Council.*

The list of the members who attended the meeting is attached as **Annexure – I.**

On 12th July, 2022, the Revised Agenda Item after compliance of the directives of the members of the Finance Committee was circulated to all the Members of the Finance Committee through E-mail **(Annexure-II)** for consideration and the item has been considered and recommended by the Chairman, Finance Committee in the light of observations made by Integrated Finance Division and observations of JS&FA and Additional Secretary (Instt.), Ministry of Education (MoE) vide letter F.No.7-5/2022-Sch.4, dated 4th August, 2022 **(Annexure-III)** to follow the instructions reproduced hereunder:-

(a) The projected expenditure under GIA (Salary). GIA (Revenue) and GIA (Creation of Capital Assets), is very high as compared to the actual expenditure incurred under these Heads during the previous Financial Year. It is observed that generally the increase in these Heads, particularly GIA (Salary) & GIA (Revenue), should not be more than 8-10% of the actual expenditure incurred in the immediately preceding Financial Year. NCERT may undertake a comprehensive exercise at the time of fixation of Revised Estimate for the financial year 2022-23 for these Heads.

(b) The projected expenditure under the GIA (Creation of Capital Assets), may include only the likely expenditure for the works, which have already been approved by the Competent Authority. The works which are still awaiting the approval of the Competent Authority may not be included in the projected expenditure at this stage. Hence, the estimated expenditure of Rs. 2991.55 lakh on the works, which have not yet been approved by the Competent Authority may not be included in the projected expenditure under the Capital Head for the financial year 2022-23. A review of the likely expenditure under this Head may be done at Revised Estimate stage to make necessary adjustment in the projected expenditure for the financial year 2022-23. A review of the likely expenditure under this Head may be done at Revised

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Estimate stage to make necessary adjustment in the projected expenditure for the financial year 2022-23.

(c) The expenditure proposed to be incurred on 'Other Charges' and 'R/M of land and building' to be met from the Internal Resources is on a very higher side. The increase in the projected expenditure under these Heads may be limited to 10% only of the actual expenditure incurred under these heads in the immediately preceding financial year.

(d) With regard to the printing and publication of books by NCERT, it is recommended that cost analysis of pricing of their textbooks and other reading materials may be undertaken immediately.

(e) It was observed that there are liabilities of Rs. 191,75,17,824/- carried forward from the previous financial year to be discharged from the Internal Resources. However, these do not seem to have been included in the projected expenditure under Internal Resources for the current financial year. NCERT needs to factor in these liabilities while projecting/deciding the expenditure for the current financial year.

(f) The revenue generation from Internal Resources projected for the last three Financial Years along with the money actually generated in these Financial Years vis a-vis the actual expenditure incurred in these Financial Years may be indicated separately.

(g) NCERT needs to exercise proper control over the expenditure to be incurred from their Internal Resources so that the expenditure incurred in a Financial Year is in consonance with the income generated during that Financial Year. NCERT is also advised to have clear-cut corpus policy and proper delegation of financial powers to subordinate authorities including constituent units.

(h) It may be made clear that the approval of the Finance Committee to the projected expenditure, finally worked out by NCERT in the light of the above observations may not be construed as the approval to incur the expenditure. The expenditure may be incurred only after following the due process of examination and approval by the prescribed Competent Authority.

The **Proposed Utilization of Budgetary Allocation for the year 2022-2023 has accordingly** been revised in the light of above observation and attached herewith as **Annexure-II**.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair and the members of the Finance Committee by the Secretary, NCERT.

Annexure - I

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