

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

Bhubaneswar, dated the 8.11.2001 No. Codes-25/2001 – 54813/F., The Governor has been pleased to order that in the delegation of Financial Powers Rules, 1978, notified in Finance Department Notification No. Codes-12/78-12000/F., dt.9th March, 1978, the following amendments shall be made, namely:-

AMENDMENT

After Sub-Rule (4) under Rule 15, the following new Sub-Rule shall be inserted namely:-

- (5) Subject to the conditions mentioned in Sub-Rule (1) of this Rule the powers of different authorities to sanction remission/write off of cess, sairat and miscellaneous revenue in appropriate cases due to natural calamities in the State which cause crop loss of more than 50% shall be as follows:-

| <u>Authority</u> | <u>Extent of Powers</u> |
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| (a) Revenue Department | Rs.1.00 lakh in each case. |
| (b) Member, Board of Revenue. | Rs.30,000/- in each case. |
| (c) R.D.Cs. | Rs.10,000/- in each case. |
| (d) Collectors. | Rs.7,000/- in each case. |
| (e) Sub-Collectors. | Rs.5,000/- in each case. |

This will take effect from the date of issue of this order.

Sd/- S.S.Patnaik,

Addl. Secretary to Government.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

No. 55903/F., Dated 20th November, 2001
No. O & M 113/2001

Sub: *Circulation of Cabinet Memorandum*

Rule-10 of Rules of Business prescribes that no Department shall without previous consultation with the Finance Department authorise any order which either immediately or by its repercussions will effect the finances of the State or which in particular, either relate to the number or grading or cadres of posts or the emoluments or other conditions of service or post, involve any grant of land or assignment of revenue or concession, grant lease or licence of mineral or forest rights or a water power or any easement or privilege in respect of such concession or in any way involve any relinquishment of revenue.

Despite the above specific provision, it has been noticed in the number of cases that the Administrative Departments do not get the concurrence or views of the Finance Department while taking decisions at the higher levels which have substantial financial bearing.

Government, after careful consideration, have decided that Cabinet Memorandum issued by any Administrative Department or any matter in any file having involvement of any outgo from the exchequer or having value of any precedent and attracting the ambit of the Non-Plan or Plan programmes must have to be vetted by the Finance Department. Parliamentary Affairs Department may kindly ensure that such memoranda are not circulated in the Cabinet, which, as per Rules of Business require reference to Law, General Administration, Planning & Co-ordination, Finance Department or ST & SC Development Departments and have not been so referred.

The Administrative Departments shall have to adhere to this meticulously while circulating any Memorandum in the Cabinet, and before sending any file to the Chief Minister for decision on a finance related matter. This issues with the approval of the Chief Secretary.

Sd/- A. K. Tripathy,
Principal Secretary to Govt.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

No. Codes-I/2002 - 3801 /F., Bhubaneswar, Dated 24.01.2002.

Sub: *Reference of the cases involving substantial financial bearing to Finance Department under Rule 10 of the Orissa Government Rules of Business.*

Rule-10 of the Rules of Business prescribes that no Department shall without previous consultation with the Finance Department authorise any order which either immediately or by its repercussions will affect the finances of the State or which in particular, either relate to the number of grading or cadres of posts or the emoluments or other conditions of service or post, involve any grant of land or assignment of revenue or concession, grant lease or licence of mineral or forest rights or a right to water power or any easement or privilege in respect of such concession or in any way involve any relinquishment of revenue.

2. Different Departments of Government, Heads of Departments, PSUs etc., have formed different Committees with the representative of Finance Department as a Member. It has been seen that the Administrative Departments are in many cases taking the presence of an officers of the Finance Department as consultation with the Finance Department. In some cases, files referred to Finance Department are prematurely withdrawn and Government orders taken in administrative department. Such practices are highly objectionable are liable to be set aside by Finance Department with Government orders. The decision of the Committees being advisory in nature shall not be treated as concurrence of Finance Department, because concurrence in the Finance Department would require approval of Government in the Finance Department or approval of the Secretary or other competent officers of the Finance Department, as per the internal delegation made by the Government in the Finance Department.

3. Hence, it is hereby clarified that any recommendation/decision of a Committee in which the representative of Finance Department is present shall not be taken as concurrence of the Finance Department and the concerned Administrative Department shall process the proposal alongwith the decision of the relevant Committee for examination in the Finance Department for taking appropriate decision for giving concurrence or otherwise. This is only a clarification of the existing instructions and not a new order.

4. All Departments of Government, Heads of Departments and all other authorities should take note of the above and in future all such decisions of the relevant Committee would require the vetting by the Finance Department at the appropriate level.

Sd/- A. K. Tripathy,
Principal Secretary to Government.