

Record Note of the Annual Review Meeting on working of Treasuries held on 3rd August, 2023 under the Chairmanship of Principal Secretary, Finance Department.

Present:-

1. Mr. Mahesh Dass,
Director General Accounts & Treasuries.
2. Mr. Rajesh Kotwal,
Director Accounts & Treasuries, Jammu.
3. Mr. Shahid Majeed Kakroo,
I/C Director Accounts & Treasuries, Kashmir.
4. Sadder Treasury Officers Jammu/Srinagar.
5. All District Treasury Officers.

The agenda of the meeting was to review the working of Treasuries in light of the Annual review report of Accountant General on working of Treasuries for the year 2020-2021. The Review meeting was conducted through PPT mode, presented by the Director General Accounts and Treasuries with the following agenda points:

S.No.	Observations of PAG	Action taken / Decision
1	Pending/outstanding Audit paras 2020-21	Of the outstanding audit paras 1405, 1287 have been dropped, 118 are pending. The latest position of outstanding audit para as on 30.6.2023 is 311. Treasury officers were instructed to furnish replies to AG office and ensure full progress in the matter.
2	Projection of funds	It was apprised that there is no irregularity in the projection of funds and excess or surrender amount shown is due to rounding up of liability.
3	Irregularity in the payment of pension	It was apprised that excess pension to the tune of Rs. 9884244/ stand settled with balance amount of Rs. 41264/- recovery is in process. The Chair directed that utmost care should be taken by the Treasury officers while releasing the pension in favour of pensioners.

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		<p>It was desired, that a committee be constituted to review the existing procedure for verification and obtaining the non-remarriage/marriage/non-employment documents without causing inconvenience to the family pensioners. The Committee shall comprise of the following members:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mr. Ashok Kumar, Sadder Treasury Officer Jammu (Chairman) 2. Mr. Javed Maqbool Khanday Sadder Treasury Officer, Srinagar (Member) 3. Mr. Mohd Shafi Wani, DTO Kupwara (Member). 4. Mr. Deepak Gupta, DTO Ramban (Member).
4	Delay in uploading of data regarding the amount of contribution of govt. share and employee share in the NPS Scheme (Defined Pensionery Contribution Scheme	The chair was apprised that there is no delay in uploading the NPS data. Outstanding un-uploaded amount was reduced from Rs. 4,91,91,573.00 in 2010 to Rs. 29,442.00. The chair was apprised that a good achievement in respect of shortcomings have been achieved by the Treasury officers and the comparison data was presented to the chair and the same was appreciated.
5	Figures of Treasury and Bank at variance under RBI deposit head :8675)	<p>The chair was apprised that the variation shown in the report is mainly due to mismatch of figures obtained by AG through JK Bank, whereas the Treasury officers have submitted the VDMS alongwith the monthly account to the AG with correct figures.</p> <p>It was desired that the matter should be taken up with the AG and J&K Bank for reconciliation of these figures at an earliest.</p>
6	Deficiency in monthly accounts received in PAGs Office.	<p>The chair was apprised that the missing vouchers pointed out in the report have been provided to the AG office except those vouchers which were related to the pre-flood period. Similarly regarding non-furnishing of vouchers in respect interstate settlement of accounts, clearance certificates from PAG were presented.</p> <p>All the Treasury officers shall ensure rendition of all relevant vouchers in the prescribed format once again to the PAG</p>

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		for timely settlement of interstate reimbursement of amount to the tune of Rs. 351.24 crores ending 10/2020.
7	Non -observance of monitoring control by the Treasury Officers.	<p>It was apprised that there were chances for misclassification prior to the integration of BEAMS with Treasury Net application and subsequently with JKPaySys. However, this fool proof integration has automatically generated the seven tier classification on the body of the bill.</p> <p>Regarding non-maintenance of objection book as per Rule 5.2 of Treasury Code, the objections raised by the Treasury officers are automatically shown in the monthly trail of bills generated in the system. Now smooth financial management and proper check on the vouchers and challans is being implemented.</p>
8	Non- maintenance of record of sanction/effective strength of establishment.	<p>The bills are generated by the DDOs as per the effective strength of that establishment. The proper check is being made by the Treasury officers with the copy of sanctioned strength received from the concerned Department.</p> <p>It was directed that the Treasury officers should monitor the sanctioned and effective strength before making the payment of salary bills.</p>
9	Settlement of AC Bills and Grant-in -Aid.	<p>The AC/Grant in aid bills are drawn by the DDOs through the Treasuries and subsequently Red DC bills and UCs need to be submitted to the PAG by the concerned DDO. There is huge outstanding on account of these bills on part of concerned department. Even though the Treasury officers are instructed to take up the matter with defaulting DDOs for timely submission of Red DC bill to the PAG office.</p> <p>It was directed that the Treasury officers should effectively take up the matter with the concerned defaulting DDOs vigorously in this regard.</p>

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9	Non -maintenance of Deposit Account	The chair was informed that Form FC-20 and 21 are maintained by the Treasury Officers for keeping the record in respect of the receipts /payments of civil/ works/ revenue/court deposits. It was desired that the lapsed deposit on Form 35 be submitted to the PAG as and when it becomes due.
10	Non maintenance of records /register in treasuries	It was informed that entire record in online or manual form is properly maintained in the Treasuries.
11	Deduction of income tax from the salaries and pension during 2020-21	The chair was informed that the audit observation paras were replied and stand settled and dropped.

During the course of discussion, it was desired that the District Treasury officers being heads of treasuries in district shall have to perform their duties dedicatedly and responsibly. The officers were directed to undertake cleanliness, plantation & awareness generation drives as part of the Independence Day celebrations. They should document all the tasks and submit a report to the chair by 16th of August, 2023 with regard to:

1) Cleanliness drive:

The officers should ensure major drive to ensure proper sanitation and cleanliness in and around the entire office.

2) Plantation drive:

The Treasury officers were directed that each DTO should plan for planting 500 saplings in Treasury premises. In case of shortage of space, the saplings should be planted in collaboration with schools or other offices in the district and ensure survival of the plantation by taking proper care of saplings. In this regard the Treasury Officers were directed to get the saplings from Forest Department.

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3) Awareness about Treasuries/functioning, in masses:

All the Treasury officers (Sadder Treasury, District Treasury and Sub-Treasury) were instructed to conduct events and seminars in schools/Colleges/Public places about the purpose and working of treasuries. The school heads should be taken into confidence and camps should be organized in the Schools for awareness by arranging skits/Dramas/Mock Treasuries etc.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the chair.


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5. Pvt. Secretary to Principal Secretary, Finance Department.
6. Record file.