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BUDGET 2019-2020

RELEASE ORDER 1st QUARTER

**GOVERNMENT OF GILGIT-BALTISTAN
FINANCE DEPARTMENT**



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(Release Order **1st** Quarter)

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Government of Gilgit-Baltistan
Gilgit-Baltistan Secretariat
Finance Department

*No. Budget-2(36)/2019-2020
Gilgit, dated the 25th July, 2019*

The Administrative Secretary/Principal Accounting Officer,
Information Department,
Government of Gilgit-Baltistan,
Gilgit.

Subject: **COMMUNICATION OF BUDGET GRANT (CURRENT) FOR THE YEAR 2019-2020 UNDER THE HEAD OF ACCOUNT "GC21030 (030) - INFORMATION DEPARTMENT (VOTED)".**

I am directed to convey approval of the Secretary Finance GB to the release of funds amounting to **Rs.4,473,800/- (Voted Expenditure)** in respect of your Department for expenditure during the 1st quarter of financial year 2019-2020 i.e. July-to-September, 2019 as per details shown in **Annexure-II**.

2. The Principal Accounting Officers shall ensure compliance of Rule-11, 12 and 13 of G.F.R prior to make expenditures or while making expenditure against sanctioned budget to ensure financial discipline. The Rules are re-produced below:

A. Control of Expenditure

GFR-11 Each head of a Department is responsible for enforcing financial order and strict economy at every step. He is responsible for observance of all relevant financial rules and regulations both by his own office and by subordinate disbursing officers.

GFR-12 A Controlling officer must see not only that the total expenditure is kept within the limits of the authorized appropriation but also that the funds allotted to spending units are expended in the public interest and upon objects for which the money was provided. In order to maintain a proper control, he should arrange to be kept informed, not only of what has actually been spent from and appropriation but also what commitments and liabilities have been and will be incurred against it. He must be in a position to assume before Government and the Public Accounts Committee, if necessary, complete responsibility for Departmental expenditure and to explain or justify any instance of excess or financial irregularity that may be brought to notice as a result of audit scrutiny or otherwise.

B. Internal Check against Irregularities, Waste and Fraud

GFR-13 In the discharge of his ultimate responsibilities for the administration of an appropriation or part of an appropriation placed at his disposal, every Controlling officer must satisfy himself not only that adequate provisions exist within the Departmental organization for systematic internal checks calculated to prevent and detect errors and irregularities in the financial proceedings of its subordinate officers and to guard against waste and loss of public money and stores, but also that the prescribed checks are effectively applied. For this purpose each Head of the Department will get the accounts of his office and those of the subordinate disbursing officers, if any, inspected at least once in every financial year by a Senior Officer not connected with the account matters to see whether:

- a. Rules on handling and custody of each are properly understood and applied.
- b. Effective system of internal check exists for securing regularity and propriety in the various transactions including receipt and issue of stores etc, if any, and
- c. Satisfactory arrangement exists for systematic and proper maintenance of Account Books and other ancillary records concerned with the Initial Accounts.

The results of these inspections should be incorporated in the form of an inspection report copy of which should be endorsed to Audit. The head of the Department should, after his scrutiny of the report, communicate to Audit a copy of his remarks thereon and nay orders issued in that connection.

3. Following policy decisions/guidelines shall also be adhered while making expenditure against the released funds:

- a) No fund can be diverted from one object element/item to another as defined under Gilgit-Baltistan System of Financial Control and Budgeting Rules, 2009 without prior approval of the Finance Department. It shall be personal responsibility of the Principal Accounting Officers and Drawing and Disbursing Officer to ensure that the expenditure from 01-07-2019 to 30-09-2019 does not exceed the released amount against a particular item under any head/sub head of account nor any liability be accumulated unless specifically allowed by the Finance Department. **Drawing and Disbursing Officers shall also ensure before signing all bills that correct balances have been shown in the Appropriation Column.**
- b) As a general rule, no payment can be made to contractors/suppliers except for work actually done or supplies actually received. Without prejudice to generality of this rule in exceptional cases only, Finance Department GB is competent to permit advance payment to other

Government Departments/Government controlled Organizations.
Hence no advance shall be drawn on Abstract Bill/Pre-receipted Bills.

- c) **New Expenditure** will be released in due course, keeping in view the ways and means position.
- d) All **Lump sum Provisions and Block Allocations are restrained** which will be released on submission of a DDO-wise distribution plan by the respective Administrative Secretary/Principal Accounting Officer. Expenditure against the lump sum provisions, block allocations and maintenance head shall be made after release of funds, adherence of relevant rules and SOP approved their under must be ensured.
- e) Expenditure in relaxation of rules shall not be allowed in any case.
- f) Payment of Salary shall be the first charge followed by the Non-Salary components of Current Expenditure and PSDP/ADP.
- g) No scheme involving creation of posts shall be approved by any forum without prior concurrence of Finance Department GB and Federal Finance Division, Islamabad.
- h) Release shall be linked with the Ways and Means position both for Development and Non development budget. Therefore, all Departments, especially Planning & Development GB, are advised to send demands only available funds with Finance Department GB.
- i) Austerity and economy shall be the fundamental principles of the Government spending and Finance Department GB shall monitor it and take necessary action to avoid any deviation from these Financial Principles.
- j) **Principal Accounting Officer(s) shall be personally responsible for any excess expenditure over and above the amount authorized by the Finance Department GB before the Public Accounts Committee and Finance Department GB shall not regularize any excess/committed liabilities of the Administrative Department(s) or its Lower Formations in any circumstances whatsoever. Unauthorized and pervious expenditure shall be deducted from the salary of PAOs/DDOs concerned.**
- k) **The Administrative Secretaries and Principal Accounting Officers shall ensure that every financial claim booked by their subordinate offices and DDOs is as per relevant rules and fulfills all codal formalities. In case, if any bill is submitted to Accountant General, Gilgit-Baltistan/District Accounts Officers, without fulfillment of required codal formalities, Principal Accounting**

Officers/ DDOs will be held responsible and such deviation shall be communicated to Services & GAD Department GB for initiation of disciplinary action.

- l) **In the case of expenditure under Object Code “A03402-Rent of Office Building”, due diligence should be ensured.**
- m) Development and Non-development expenditure shall be reviewed quarterly.
- n) All Administrative Departments shall **reconcile departmental actual revenue receipts and expenditure** with Accountant General, Gilgit-Baltistan, **on monthly basis** and furnish Reconciliation Accounts Statements to Finance Department latest by **15th of following month** failing which releases of concerned Department(s) will be withheld. Deputy Secretary (Audit & Accounts) is responsible to get it and send to Deputy Secretary (Budget) and Deputy Secretary (Development) for analysis of these reconciled figures to make recommendations for next releases.
- o) All Administrative Departments must ensure payment of **all utility bills regularly** and send monthly statement/reports to Finance Department GB. Re-appropriation is not allowed from utility allocation to other head of account.
- p) **Highest priority may please be accorded to the payment/clearance of electricity bills to avert at source deduction.**
- q) No liability beyond budgetary authorization/released for a particular time span may be created.
- r) Liability of previous years may not be allowed to be cleared unless concurrence is given by Finance Department. However, last year's (2018-2019), claims of Reimbursement of Medical Charges, TA and Utility Bills (Gas, Water and Electricity) are exempted from this condition.
- s) **No appointment or transfer/postings may be made against the post reflected in the SNE (New) 2019-2020, until and unless formal communication for release of Budget Grant for such posts is issued by Finance Department.**
- t) **Foreign visits on Government expenses shall be discouraged.**
- u) **All luxury goods, especially purchase of luxury vehicles shall be banned.**

- v) Recoupment of posts, transfer of posts, etc. are strictly prohibited. Neither the Departments shall float nor Services & GAD Department GB shall forward such proposals to Finance Department GB as Finance Department GB shall not concur such proposals from FY-2019-2020.
- w) No Department including Boards and authorities are allowed to upgrade and create posts until such proposals are duly supported by Finance Department GB and formal concurrence of Finance Division, Islamabad is received.

Enclosure: **As above.**

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1. The Accountant General, Gilgit-Baltistan, Gilgit with the request to kindly ensure that Drawing and Disbursing Officers should not incur any excess expenditure over and above the amount of the operational grant (i.e. to the extent of funds released). It shall be the responsibility of the officers of Accountant General, Gilgit-Baltistan, District Accounts Offices and Treasury Offices to ensure completion of all codal formalities prescribed under Rules before clearing any bill for payment and issuance of cheques to avert any audit objection.
2. The Director General, Audit, Gilgit-Baltistan, Gilgit.
3. The Incharge, GBSAP, Finance Department GB, Gilgit. He is requested to kindly supervise the timely "ONLINE" operation of release of funds on SAP System.
4. The Section Officer (Revenue & Expdtr.)/Incharge, Emboss Cell, Finance Department GB, Gilgit.

GC21030-INFORMATION DEPARTMENT- GILGIT BALTISTAN

**MAJOR HEAD WISE SUMMARY OF RELEASES FOR 1ST QUARTER
OF FINANCIAL YEAR 2019-2020 (SALARY @ 25% & NON SALARY @ 20%)**

Detail Objecti Classification	Budgeti Estimaties 2019-2020	1sti Quartier Releases	Balance Amounti
A01-EMPLOYEES RELATED EXPENSES.	12,648,000	3,162,000	9,486,000
A03-OPERATING EXPENSES	3,764,000	752,800	3,011,200
A05-GRANTS SUBSIDIES AND WRITE OFF LOANS	2,100,000	420,000	1,680,000
A06-TRANSFERS	200,000	40,000	160,000
A13-REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	495,000	99,000	396,000
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FUND CENTER WISE SUMMARY OF RELEASES FOR 1ST QUARTER
OF FINANCIAL YEAR 2019-2020 (SALARY @ 25% & NON SALARY @ 20%)

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A01-EMPLOYEES RELATED EXPENSES.	12,648,000	3,162,000	9,486,000
A011-X to A012-X (Pay & Allowances off Officers & Staff)	3,645,000	911,250	2,733,750
A03-OPERATING EXPENSES	3,764,000	752,800	3,011,200
A03201-POSTAGE AND TELEGRAPH	20,000	4,000	16,000
A03202-TELEPHONE AND TRUNK CALL	100,000	20,000	80,000
A03303-ELECTRICITY	30,000	6,000	24,000
A03304-HOT AND COLD WEATHER CHARGES	28,000	5,600	22,400
A03402-RENT FOR OFFICE BUILDING	2,100,000	420,000	1,680,000
A03805-TRAVELLING ALLOWANCE	380,000	76,000	304,000
A03806-TRANSPORTATION OF GOODS (GOVT.)	20,000	4,000	16,000
A03807-P.O.L CHARGES A.PLANES H.COPTORS S.CARS M/C/G	665,000	133,000	532,000
A03901-STATIONERY	200,000	40,000	160,000
A03902-PRINTING AND PUBLICATION	20,000	4,000	16,000
A03905-NEWSPAPERS PERIODICALS AND BOOKS	15,000	3,000	12,000
A03906-UNIFORMS AND PROTECTIVE CLOTHING	5,000	1,000	4,000
A03907-ADVERTISING & PUBLICITY	1,000	200	800
A03970-OTHERS	180,000	36,000	144,000
A05-GRANTS SUBSIDIES AND WRITE OFF LOANS	2,100,000	420,000	1,680,000
A05231-GRANT FOR PRESS CLUB	2,100,000	420,000	1,680,000
A06-TRANSFERS	200,000	40,000	160,000
A06301-ENTERTAINMENTS & GIFTS	200,000	40,000	160,000
A13-REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	495,000	99,000	396,000
A13001-TRANSPORT	475,000	95,000	380,000
A13101-MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT	10,000	2,000	8,000
A13201-FURNITURE AND FIXTURES	10,000	2,000	8,000