No.109/FD/F3/2023-24 (2) **GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY** FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Puducherry, dt. 09/10/2023

I.D. NOTE

Sub:

Finance Department -Optimizing/Rationalizing the benefits provided to APL under various schemes in compliance with the directives issued in the 8th Meeting of Governing Council of Niti Aayog - Reg.

Ref:

Minutes of Secretaries Review Meeting dt.21.08.2023

It is stated that the Governing Council of Niti Aayaog in its 8th Meeting has emphasized the observance of fiscal discipline in the UT Administration. As a measure of compliance with the directives of Niti Aayog, an action point has been indicated in the Secretaries Review Meeting chaired by Chief Secretary dt.21.08.2023 vide minutes of the meeting cited, to optimize/rationalize the benefits provided to the Above Poverty Line category under various schemes implemented by the Govt. Departments of UT Administration, in view of financial resource constraints. In this regard, the Finance Department has been directed to undertake an exercise to review all schemes which provide entitlements to the Above Poverty Line and to formulate strategy to rationalize them.

- 2. Accordingly, the Administrative Departments are requested to review the schemes which provide benefits / entitlements to the APL category and formulate strategy to optimize/rationalize such benefits/entitlements with the approval of Government.
- 3. A compliance/Action Taken Report shall be sent to Finance Department latest by 25.10.2023.

//By Order//

Under Secretary(Finance)

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