No.E-43972/ FD/F3/A3/2025-26 GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Puducherry, dated 21/07/2025

CIRCULAR

Sub: Finance Department – Maintenance of financial prudence and proper Utilization of GIA by the PSUs/ Autonomous Bodies – Instructions – Issued.

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In the wake of the financial irregularities observed in the Special Audit Report submitted by the Internal Audit Wing of DAT, Puducherry in respect of Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Veterinary Education and Research (RIVER), Puducherry, an autonomous institution under the aegis of Puducherry Government, the following instructions are hereby issued for strict compliance of all Administrative Departments/PSUs/ Autonomous Bodies viz., Boards, Corporations and Societies:

- (i) All Autonomous Organizations/Grantee Institutions shall scrupulously follow the Principles laid down in GFR, 2017 (Rule 228-245) for the utilization and proper management of Grant-in-Aid being provided by the Government.
- (ii) All procurements (goods/services/works) by the Autonomous Organizations shall be in accordance with the norms envisaged under GFR, Procurement manuals and all relevant instructions/guidelines issued by Govt. of India and Govt. of Puducherry from time to time.
- (iii) Incurring of expenditure by the Autonomous Organizations shall be with the approval of Competent Authority as laid down in the bye laws/regulations of such Organizations and there shall not be any deviation/violation in this regard.
- (iv) All interest or other earnings against the Grant-in-Aid released to the Grantee Institution should be mandatorily remitted into Government Account immediately after finalization of the accounts as laid down under Rule 230(8) of the GFR, 2017.
- (v) Creation of posts, framing or amendment of recruitment rules, enhancement of salaries/wages in the Autonomous Organizations shall be dealt as per Government norms and with the prior approval of Government as laid down under G.O. Ms. No.66/F3/2008 dated 24/10/2008 of Finance Department, Puducherry.
- (vi) All proposals of Autonomous Organizations/Grantee Institutions involving substantial additional financial implications to the Government exceeding the financial powers delegated in their bye laws shall require the concurrence of Finance Department and approval of Government.

- (vii) The Governing Body meetings of such Autonomous Organizations /Grantee Institutions shall be convened at regular intervals as per the time schedule specified in their Bye laws /Memorandum of Association of the Institutions.
- 2. All the Heads of Department/ Secretariat Departments/Managing Directors/ Chief Executives of PSUs/ Autonomous Bodies/ Boards / Societies etc. are therefore directed to ensure compliance of the above instructions.
- 3. The Heads of Department/ Institutions shall be held personally accountable for non-compliance of the above instructions.

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Development Commissioner-cumSecretary(Finance)

To
All Secretaries to Government
All Heads of Department
All Heads of Autonomous Organization/ Grantee Institution.

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- 1. PS to Hon'ble Lt. Governor
- 2. PS to Hon'ble Chief Minister
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