No.01(01)/PFC-I/2022
Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Expenditure

North Block, New Delhi 12th September, 2022

## OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Appraisal of Schemes – Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSSs) and Central Sector Schemes (CSs) of Scientific Ministries/Departments to be continued over the XV<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission Cycle-regarding.

Kind reference is invited to DoE's OM of even No dated 01.02.2022 vide which approval of the Cabinet for the Schemes of Scientific Ministries/Departments, as mentioned in the Annexure to the DoE's ibid OM, upto 31.03.2023 was conveyed subject to appraisal by the EFC, as far as possible, by 30.09.2022 and OM of even No dated 30.03.2022 vide which guidelines for appraisal of the said Schemes were issued. It is learnt that only a couple of schemes have been appraised by the EFC and a few are ready for appraisal process. In most of the cases, the EFC memos have not been received in DoE. In view of the direction of the Cabinet empowering Department of Expenditure to issue clarifications and instructions for the removal of difficulties in the implementation of Schemes and also noting the facts stated above, the following is conveyed: -

- (i) Ministries/Departments which have submitted/will be submitting proposals for continuation of their respective Schemes before 31.10.2022 may release funds under the Schemes (mentioned in Annexure to DoE's OM dated 01.02.2022) subject to the limit of 1/5<sup>th</sup> of the outlay envisaged over the 5 years.
- (ii) In case of the Ministries/Departments which fail to submit the proposals on/before 31.10.2022 for continuation of the Schemes (mentioned in Annexure to DoE's OM dated 01.02.2022) any release of funds beyond 31.10.2022 shall require prior concurrence of D/o Expenditure, until submission of the proposal for appraisal by the EFC.
- 2. This issues with the approval of Finance Secretary & Secretary (Expenditure).

(Hema Jaiswal) Director (Policy & PFC-II)

To,

- Secretaries to the Scientific Ministries/Departments (except Department of Atomic Energy and Department of Space).
- 2. Financial Advisers to Scientific Ministries/Departments
- 3. Cabinet Secretariat
- Prime Minister's Office
- 5. NITI Aayog
- 6. Internal Circulation
- 7. DoE's Website