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Lunch hour demonstrations under the banner of Central JCA Organised on 19th July, 2024 at all the stations all over India as per call given by the Confederation of Central Govt. Employees and Workers in support of seven point charter of demands including formation of 8th Central Pay Commission, restoration of OPS & scrap NPS etc.







Editorial
The Budget

The first budget of this newly elected government's (for third term) was an attempt to send out a message that the aspirations of various sections especially the youth has been heard and seeks to be addressed. Asserting that the poor, women, youth and farmers were the four 'castes' that this Govt. focused on serving and stressed that the budget laid particular emphasis on "employment, skilling, MSMEs and the middle class.

The Economic Survey 2023-24 put focus on the paradox of Indian corporate sector "swimming in excess profits" while the economy witnesses subdued private sector investments and lack of growth in employment opportunities. The need to create 78.5 lakh jobs annually and the private sector not investing enough to enable the same was outlined by the Survey. Thus the unemployment crisis as pointed out by various agencies and reflected in the recently held parliament elections has now been accepted as the reality. The MSMEs which created major chunk of job opportunities was reeling under the adverse impact of Covid pandemic, GST and other policies and was on the down turn, has now been accorded attention in the budget. The budget provided a package of 5 schemes with a view to facilitate employment, skilling and other opportunities for 4.1 crore youth over a period of 5 years with an outlay of 2 lakh crores. The proposal includes one-month wage of up to Rs.15000 to all new entrants in the formal work force, reimbursement to employers up to Rs.3000 a month for 2 years towards employer's contribution to provident fund and a monthly allowance of Rs.5000 for those doing a one-year internship at top 500 companies. However, whether these patch work of schemes will be exploited by the employers for their own benefit without any impact on the job market or the employees on internship will be exploited as cheap labour needs to be seen. While these measures, howsoever well intended it may be, the question remains as to how this is going to influence the corporates to invest and how a financial transfer will create jobs.

While the budget seems to focus on job creation, the contrast is the egregious reduction in spending on rural job guarantee scheme (MGNREGA) with a nine-year low share of 1.78% of overall outlay

down from 1.92% for 2023-24. This has shorn off employment opportunities in the rural areas which otherwise would have contributed to enhanced purchasing power and consumption which would have contributed to uplift the economy further. Subsidies too across the board from fertilisers to food and petroleum have been trimmed. The food subsidy is budgeted at 2.05 trillion, down from Rs.2.12 trillion in 2023-24. The salaried class got a very little relief with the revision of tax rates and increasing the standard deduction from Rs.50000 to Rs.75000/. The outlay for PM AwasYojana enhanced by 66% to over Rs.79000 crores. As per the analysis of *The Hindu Data Team compilation*, as a share of the total budget on infrastructure has increased. In contrast, expenditure on major schemes in the social sectors which includes education, pension and health have either stagnated or declined. Spending on agriculture too when considered as a share of total budget has stagnated. Going ahead with its policy of privatization the Govt. set a target of Rs.50000 crores under "miscellaneous capital receipts, asset monetization receipts and other kind", cleverly avoiding the word disinvestment. With the subsidies and allocations reduced or stagnated on various social sectors the Govt.'s target of bringing the fiscal deficit to 4.9% of GDP in 2024-25 from 5.6% last year and her intention to bring it down below 4.5% by next year seems to be the real focus. The demand of the Central Govt. employees for scrapping of NPS or setting up of 8th CPC did not find mention in the budget. As per media report, there had been widespread criticism of political compulsions in the making of the budget but it seems that the Govt. has tried to balance the political and fiscal compulsions with a fine tuned populist façade.

Looking into this budget proposals, as far as the interest of nearly 30 lakhs Central Govt employees are concerned it was indeed a big disappointment. The proposals of the committee constituted under the chairmanship of Finance Secretary on NPS, did not find a place in the budget. The next pay revision is due in 2026 and setting up of the 8th CPC brook no delay any further as the Pay Commission is set up before two years of its implementation. But even after concerted persuasion of NJCA and Confederation of Central Govt. Employees it was ignored by the Govt. with no mention of it being made in the budget speech.

Hence, it is all the more important that the



CG employees take to agitational path for realising the just demands which the government choose to ignore in the budget.

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ORGANIZATION NEWS

F.No.Circular/2021-24 Dated, 17th July, 2024

To all Circle Presidents/General Secretaries,

Dear Comrades,

The extended Secretariat meeting of ITEF was held on 13th July, 2024, at 11 AM at its Headquarters, Rajouri Garden, New Delhi. The meeting was chaired by the President. At the outset, Com. President welcomed all the Secretariat members, Presidents, and General Secretaries of the NWR, Gujarat, Delhi, UP (West), UP (East), NER, WB & Sikkim, AP & Telangana, TN & Puducherry, Kerala, Mumbai, and Vidarbha Circles to the meeting. He specially welcomed and congratulated the newly elected Presidents/General Secretaries of UP (West) and MP & CG Circles. Due to some unavoidable issues, the comrades of KT & Goa, Bihar & JK, and Pune Circles could not attend the meeting. One minute of silence was observed in memory of departed members and others before the meeting.

Com. Secretary General appealed to the house that new issues should not be raised before the All India Conference due to a lack of time for discussions with the concerned authorities during the preparation of the All India Conference. He reported on the current status of the Recruitment Rules, which have been duly approved and sent to the Department by UPSC after including the necessary protection clause as per DoPT guidelines. He briefed the members on the latest updates of the Recruitment Rules. He explained the reasons why the OTR issue is not feasible for persuasion as it may cause serious damage to the careers of the stakeholders. On the ICT issue, he referred to the latest instructions issued by HRD, CBDT for consideration where the NOCs were issued. He was also informed that the CHQ is trying and pursuing these applications regularly. The Cadre Review proposal is still pending in IFU and yet to be sent to the DoPT. After the meeting with the Chairman, CBDT on 2nd April, 2024, two reports were requested from different regions: one detailing the number of applicants for three-month relaxation in qualifying service for R.Y. 2019 & 2020, and another providing a

tentative figure of monetary involvements for consideration of the N Purushattnam case regarding the grant of ACP ignoring promotion/upgradation of Tax Assistant after CRC 2001. The proposal for relaxation was sent to the DoPT for its approval. The tentative amount required for the consideration of ACP, sent by the regions, was not accepted and was requested again for proper submission. The proposal to address pay anomalies due to the grant of Advance Increments is being prepared by the HRD and will be sent to the DoPT again shortly. The issue of extension/regularization of ad-hoc promotion for the particular period is also pending in HRD, and the proposal will be sent within a short period to the DoPT for necessary approval. The proposal for laptops for all Inspectors has been put up before the CBDT for consideration and necessary approval of the competent authority. regularization of Casual Workers, who are covered under the Uma Devi judgment and consequent to the Raman Kumar judgments, required an instruction issued on 3rd April, 2024, which needs to be pursued with the respective CCAs of the Region where it is not yet done.

For approaching the Court on various issues, such as addressing the anomaly after granting increments as the DoPT and DoE refused to provide benefits to all in view of three High Court judgments, granting ACP according to the N Pushotaman case to all similarly placed employees, and maintaining pay parity with the Inspectors of IB/CBI as per the observation of the Anomaly Committee, after detailed discussion, it was decided unanimously by the House to proceed for legal action. To meet the legal expenditure for this purpose, the collection of Rs. 100/- from members in Pay level 6 and 7 was also approved by the House. It was also decided to approach ITGOA and organizations of CBIC for jointly approaching the court.

Com. Working President, who is the representative of ITEF in the Committee of career progression of non-IRS cadres, narrated the functioning and discussions held in the last meeting at Hyderabad. He also explained the stand taken by the JCA in the meetings of the Committee and the submission of decent notes on the report prepared by the official side.

It was informed by the Secretary General that the venue for the delegates' conference and open



session is scheduled to be held in Kolkata from 20th to 24th September, 2024. Accommodation will be provided from 12 noon of 20th September (with Lunch), 2024 to 12 noon of 24th September, 2024 (with Lunch).

Following discussions and decisions on XXXII

All India conference were also taken after discussions:

- a) An amount of Rs. 4000/- per delegate/observer as fees was decided for the smooth organization of the Conference.
- b) Considering the number of delegates from Kerala, Odisha, Nagpur, and NER, 2 observers each will be allowed to attend the Conference. Considering the present and all situations, it was decided not to allow any observers from any Circle unless prior approval (at least 45 days before the Conference) is obtained from CHQ.
- c) It was requested again that all circles to pay the requisite amount, as informed earlier, for the smooth and successful completion of the Conference.
- d) A Google Form is to be issued to all Circles for submission report about Journey and other details of Delegates/Observers/Sr.Leaders.
- e) For amendment (inclusion/deletion/modification) of provisions of the Constitution of ITEF, all Circles should be sent proposals by 7th August, positively.

Comrade Sushanta Chakraborty, General Secretary of Bengal Circle, briefed the preparation of the ensuing All India Delegate Conference in detail.

It was requested that all Circles pay the Renewal Fees for the year 2024 by 31st July, 2024, positively, as the number of delegates will be finalized according to paid-up Renewal Fees. At the request of Pune Circle, it was decided to align the number of members and their dues of renewal fees after the Hyderabad Conference.

The following issues other than above were raised by the members attended in the House for consideration: It

1. The officials working in the CBDT may be posted on deputation from other Regions.
2. Pre-conditions regarding education such as B. Tech. in posting in CPC, TDS may need to be withdrawn.
3. The issue of diverting some posts of STA to TA for removing stagnation.
4. Recovery of special pay.
5. Shortage of staff quarters in Mumbai.

6. Diversion of SCD posts from the Directorates.
7. Proper alignment of the work profile of the MTS cadre as in the Central Secretariat.
8. MTS should be allowed to appear in the ITI exam.
9. Compassionate appointment for all.
10. Five percent grace marks in departmental exams to be given to recruits through the sports quota.
11. Overtime allowance for drivers needs to be reviewed.
12. Enhancement of HBA quantum of money.
13. Continuation of retired members as office bearers.
14. Readmission of members after leaving organisation.
15. APAR of SCDs.
16. Voting right of absentee delegates after attending Conference.
17. Grant of Pay Level 9 to officials, who got MACP in Level 8.
18. Grant of ex-gratia payment to late Sri Chandra Bhan, who died in an accident.
19. Allocation of Budget.
20. To resolve stagnation issue in promotion in different non-Gazetted cadres.
21. The streamlining of processing of loan basis applications all over India.
22. In addition, some other issues were also raised.

On organizational issues, Delhi Circle presented a request for the revocation of the suspension of Sri Mukesh Kumar and proposed disciplinary action against two members, namely Jagbir Singh and Sandeep Kumar, which was approved by the CWC of Delhi Circle and their immediate suspension from the membership of ITEF. After discussion, it was advised to Delhi Circle to issue a suspension notice to them from primary membership of the ITEF. The above matters are to be referred to the Chairman, Disciplinary Committee of the ITEF. The report of the Chairman will be placed before the CWC to be held on 20th September 2024 at Kolkata for discussion and decision.

As there were no further issues to discuss, Com. M.S. Vengatesan, President of the meeting, thanked all members and Com. Ashok Kanojia, Chairman of the Disciplinary Committee, for attending the meeting and participating in the healthy



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discussion, and declared the meeting closed.

Yours comradely
(RUPAK SARKAR)
Secretary General

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(Expenditure Budget), Ministry of Finance,
Govt. of India Hall No.10, 2 nd Floor, Jawahar Lal Nehru
Stadium, New Delhi – 110003
Ministry of Finance/ 2024-25/1839 Date 22/07/2024
To, All BCAs

Subject: Requisition of data for study of the requirement of Outsourcing Employees recruited by the Department-Reg.

Kindly refer to the above subject.

2. As per the directions of the Hon'ble Chairman CBDT, the Committee has been set up to make a detailed study of the requirement of the outsourced staff deployed by the Department under the category of DEO's / MTS /Housekeeping Staff / Security Personnel etc.

3. This was felt necessary keeping in mind that more than 17,570 personnel in the category of MTS, Stenos, TA & ITIs were recruited by the Department over the last three years through Rozgar Mela's. However, these recruitments have not led to a corresponding decrease in the number of outsourced staff (previously recruited when there was massive shortage of staff) such that there appears to be a situation of excess employment of personnel for the same job description. The Committee is headed by the Hon'ble Pr. DGIT(Admin. & TPS), Smt. Archana Chaudhary and also includes the following members:-

1. Sh. T. Kipgen, Pr. ADG(EB)
2. Sh. Sumer Singh Meena, ADG (HRD)
3. Sh. Manu Tentiwal CIT (Admn.) Delhi
4. Sh. Praveen Karanth CIT(Admn.) Bengaluru
5. Sh. Mahesh Thakur , CIT(Admn.) Chandigarh
6. Sh. G. Sathsih Addl. DIT(EB) -Secretary

4. In this regard, you are requested to provide the relevant information prescribed in the following format and upload the same in the spreadsheet shared with the designated email ID's having the domain of '@direct-taxes.in' :

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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(HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT)
CENTRAL BOARD OF DIRECT TAXES
Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, 2 .. Floor, Lodhl Road,
New Delhi- 110003.

F.No. HRD/CM/108/1/2023-24/1912

Date: 04.07.2024

To.

The All the Pr. Chief Commissioners of Income Tax (CCAs)

Madmn/Slr,

Sub: Clarification of ICT application received before 22.12.2020 - reg

Ref: HRD letter Issued vidc F.No. HRD/CM/104/10/2020-21/615 dated 27.04.2021

Kindly refer to the above.

2. In view of the pending litigations before different legnl forum nnd also decisions of various Hon 'blc CA Ts with regard to inter-charge tnmsf cr on pending applications with different CCA regions on or before 22.12.2020, the clarification issued by this Dirctomc vidc letter dated 27.04.2021 is modified as under.

All applications for Inter Charge Transfer in respect of which NOCs have been issued 0 by recipient region before 22.12.2020, all such applicant/ officials may be relieved in terms and conditions prescribed ns per CBDT's Instruction dated 14.05.1990 issued vidc F.No. A-2202on6/89-AD-VII."

3. The Inter-se seniority in the respective end.re in Recipient Region shall be dctennined as per Para (f) of CBDT's Instruction dated 14.05.1990 vide F .. No. A-22020/76/89-AD-VII

4. An affidavit to the effect that the official shall abide by the condition of transfer as laid down in CBDT's Instruction dated 14.05.1990 issued vide F .No. A-22020n6/89-AD-VII, shall be obtained from the officials bcf ore their relieving from home reaion

5. Issued with the approval of the Competent Authority.

Yours faithfully,
Joint Director Income Tax
CMD-2, 1-IRD, NC\ v Delhi.

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CONFEDERATION NEWS

CONFEDERATION OF CENTRAL GOVT. EMPLOYEES & WORKERS New Delhi-110008

Ref: Confd. Circular /2024 Dated – 05.07.2024

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CIRCULAR

To

All Office Bearers/National Executive committee members.

All General Secretaries of State COCs,

All Chief executives of affiliated organisations

Dear Comrades,

Minutes of the National Executive Committee Meeting held on 29.06.2024 at ITEF HQ Rajouri Garden, New Delhi.

The National Executive Committee of Confederation of Central Government Employees and Workers was held on 29.06.2024 under the chairmanship of Com. Rupak Sarkar President of Confederation.

Com. President welcomed all the members of the National Executive Committee and briefed about the purpose of the Meeting.

Representatives from 9 state COCs, and ten affiliates participated in the meeting.

One Minute silence was observed to pay Homage to the Martyr's.

Com. S B Yadav, Secretary General briefed about the programs held from the last National Executive Committee Meeting held on 07.01.2024 to till date. He also informed about the letters issued on various issues to various authorities during the above period. Com.SG informed that the central trade unions gave a call for Mass mobilisation/ Sectorial one day National strike on 16.2.24. Confederation extended moral support and decided to go for three phased program as a mass mobilisation campaign for its charter of Demands. Confederation of Central Government employees and workers gave a call to hold State COCs Meeting and Conventions in first week of February, to observe Demands Day on 15th February by wearing demands badges and to hold Lunch hour's Demonstration at all work place on 16th February 2024. Resolutions were also to be passed and sent to the Authorities. Further it was informed that the AIRF celebrated its Centenary year of its foundation day, which was attended by CHQ leaders of Confederation. Detail report about the Relay Dharna program held

from 8th January 2024 to 11th January 2024 under the banner of JFROPS was also placed by the SG. The Agitational Program's under banner of JFROPS and the Confederation were successfully conducted.

The following proposal was placed by Com.SG in the house for discussion/deliberations; Since the 18th Parliament has been constituted and new Government was formed, in the background of recent meeting with Central Trade Unions by Finance Minister, and ongoing Budget session of Parliament, a token agitational program of holding lunch hour Demonstration in front of all Central Government offices between 17th to 19th July 2024 should be conducted in support of following important Demands

1. Immediate Constitution of 8th Central Pay Commission.
2. Scrap NPS, Restore OPS for all employees.
3. To Release 18 months DA/DR which was frozen during the COVID -19 Pandemic to employees and Pensioners, Restoration of commuted part of pension after 12 years instead of 15 years at present.
4. Remove 5% ceiling on Compassionate Appointment, grant compassionate appointment to all the wards/Dependents of the deceased employee.
5. Fill up all vacant posts of all the cadres in all Departments, stop outsourcing and contractorization in Government Departments.
6. Ensure Democratic functioning of Association/Federations as per provisions of JCM mechanism: (A) Grant recognition to Association/ Federations which are pending, Withdraw the de-recognition orders of Postal Gr. C Union, NFPE, ISROSA. (B) Stop imposition of Rule 15 1(c) on service Association/Federations.
7. Regularize Casual, Contractual labours and GDS employees, grant equal status to employees of Autonomous Bodies to that of CG Employees.

All the members participated in the discussion and accepted the proposal of Com.SG. Members suggested to include two more issues in the demands i.e

1. Grant of recognition for Service Association
2. Grant equal status to Autonomous bodies, which were included in the Demands. Com. Subhash Pandey raised the issue of implementation of Arbitration Awards to Organised Audit and Account's cadre.

After discussion it was decided to hold the lunch hour's Demonstration at all work places on 19th



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July 2024 and send resolution to Cabinet Secretary through proper channel and copy to Finance Secretary.

Com. P U khadse, Finance secretary of Confederation placed the current fund position of Confederation Chq and requested all the affiliates and State COCs to settle their outstanding dues at the earliest, as without Finance no organisation can be run efficiently.

In any other matters the following decisions were taken:

1. To organize Trade Union Study Camps.
2. To organize women's committee meeting in August 2024, as a preparatory meeting to chalk out the plan of All India Women's Conference/Convention of Confederation, scheduled to be held tentatively in October 24 at Vijayawada.
3. All State COCs, whose tenures are over and conferences Due, shall hold their Conferences by 31-8-2024.
4. Grant approval to the Zonal Council of Pune subject to payment of affiliation fee and subscription.

Meeting ended with the President proposing vote of thanks.

Comradely Yours,
(S.B. Yadav)
Secretary General

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CONFEDERATION OF CENTRAL GOVT. EMPLOYEES & WORKERS North Avenue New Delhi-110001 Ref: Confd. Demand Day/2024 Dated: 06 July.2024 To

The Cabinet Secretary,
Cabinet Secretariat, Government of India,
Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi-110001

Respected Sir,

This is to give notice that the employees who are the members of the affiliated organizations of the Confederation of Central Government Employees & Workers will hold Lunch hours Demonstration at work place on 19th July-2024 and send resolution.

The Charter of Demands in pursuant of which employees will observe above action programs is enclosed.

Thanking you.

Yours Sincerely,
(S.B. Yadav)
Secretary General

Encl: Charter of Demands

CHARTER OF DEMANDS

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CONFEDERATION OF CENTRAL GOVT. EMPLOYEES & WORKERS New Delhi-110008

No. Confd. CGHS/2024 Dated:23rd July-2024

To

Shri Apurva Chandra,
The Secretary Health and Family Welfare,
Government of India, New Delhi

Subject: Implementation Of One Hundred Fifty-Fifth Report on Functioning of Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) Regarding.
Sir,

The Confederation of Central Government Employees and Worker's would like to draw your kind attention towards the following recommendations of the committee, constituted to review the functioning of Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) with request to cause/initiate an action plan for its implementation.

The Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Health and Family Welfare has presented to the Parliament of India the One Hundred Fifty-Fifth Report on Functioning of Central



Government Health Scheme (CGHS). In this connection the positive recommendation of this committee shall be implemented by the letter and spirit so that the Central Government employees and pensioners across the pan India utilize the scheme of CGHS effectively as health is an important aspect of today's modern world.

1) Opening of more CGHS wellness centres in across the country:

Time and again we are requesting for opening of more CGHS wellness centres across the country so that more and more beneficiaries can take benefits of CGHS and also the existing beneficiaries can avail at nearby wellness centres, so that they can avoid traffic and get medical treatment at the earliest. In this connection the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Health and Family Welfare has given positive decisions which are reproduced below:

Para number 1.4.4 The Committee believes that there is a need to expand the coverage network of CGHS in existing and new cities, for which separate allocation needs to be made. These special funds may be utilised to open new wellness centres, polyclinics, and separate CGHS wings in government hospitals. The Committee feels that such a step will enable the Ministry to set a time-bound date and targets to complete the opening of new CGHS facilities.

Para number 2.2.1 The Ministry informed that as of August 2023, the CGHS had a presence in 80 cities with 340 CGHS Allopathic wellness centres. The Committee has noted that out of these 340 allopathic wellness centres, 26% are concentrated in the Delhi NCR region. Further, only six states (excluding the Delhi NCR region) have more than 10 CGHS centres. This highlights that the distribution and accessibility of CGHS services across different regions of the country are not equitable and need to be addressed. The Committee noted that the state of Arunachal Pradesh and the UTs of Ladakh, A & N islands and Lakshadweep have no CGHS wellness centre.

Para number 2.2.2 The Committee is aware that there are many cities and towns where there are a sizeable number of Central Government employees, pensioners, and their dependents, but no CGHS wellness centre exists there. As a result, the beneficiaries, particularly the retired beneficiaries, are required to travel long distances to get medical

treatments, causing inconvenience to them. The Committee opines that this scenario, apart from being financially draining on the beneficiaries, also causes various other hardships to the beneficiaries.

Para number 2.2.3 The Committee was informed that there are 18 CGHS polyclinics across the country. The Committee is of the view that 18 polyclinics against 43 lakh beneficiaries across the country are insufficient. The Committee would like the Ministry to take proactive steps for setting up new CGHS centres and consider exploring setting up wellness centres and polyclinics at a rapid pace in underserved areas, especially the suburbs of large cities where a considerable population of serving and pensioner beneficiaries reside. The Ministry should ensure that all aspirational districts in the country have CGHS centres and empanelled hospitals. The number of CGHS centres and their geographical reach are the main facets. The Committee feels that the Government needs to consider relaxing existing norms or creating new norms for opening new wellness centres, particularly for beneficiaries of rural, hilly, remote, and North eastern parts of the country.

Hence, we are of the opinion that more CGHS wellness centres across Pan India especially in North east, remote and rural places and also the existing metro cities and state capitals apart from New Delhi need more CGHS wellness centres require more CGHS wellness centres. The CGHS should spread to more than 200 cities in the country by relaxing the CGHS norms of minimum of 6000 cards for opening of new wellness centre.

2) Infrastructure in a CGHS Wellness Centres:

The infrastructure at many CGHS wellness centres to be improved with own building and proper maintenance.

In this connection the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Health and Family Welfare has given positive decisions which are reproduced below:

Para number 2.3.1 The Committee has learned about the poor infrastructure of some wellness centres, viz. shabby buildings, lack of proper sitting arrangements, lack of proper lighting, cleanliness, availability of basic amenities, etc. The Committee is of the opinion that the Ministry should periodically review the condition of available infrastructure at wellness centres, and necessary renovation or maintenance work should be carried out in a planned



manner. The Ministry should allocate separate and sufficient funds for periodic upkeep and up-gradation of the wellness centres.

Para number 2.3.2 There is a lack of Ambulance service at many of the Wellness Centres. This is required in critical cases of referrals and emergencies. The Committee recommends that the Ministry also consider allocating separate funds for arranging at least one ambulance in each Wellness Centre so that the patient can be taken to the higher medical centre promptly for emergency treatment. The Ministry should also prepare a model list of essential services and equipment that all CGHS wellness centres should have available.

Hence these recommendations shall be implemented with letter and true spirit

3) Staffing under CGHS:

There is shortage of doctors and staff in CGHS and also its actual strength should be improved considerably, considering the recommendation of SIU as 01 Medical Officer per 55 patients in a day. At present many medical officers at many CGHS wellness centres see more than 75 patients a day compromising with the quality of treatment, which is not a good sign. The staff strength is also less compared to the beneficiaries. The SIU had recommended the creation of additional posts in CGHS across all levels of staff.

In this connection the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Health and Family Welfare has given positive decisions which are reproduced below:

Para number 2.4.3 The Committee noted an additional requirement of about 20 to 30 % of the sanctioned strength of doctors, paramedical and administrative staff, over and above the sanctioned strength, in all CGHS setups across the country. The additional requirement for a Junior Health Administrative Assistant is around 70% of the present sanctioned strength. Further, during the deliberation, the Ministry informed the Committee that a considerable percentage of the sanctioned strength of medical and administrative staff is also lying vacant. This leads to a poor doctor-to-beneficiary ratio, long waiting times for patients in CGHS dispensaries, and a decrease in the quality of patient care.

The additional requirement is projected below as per para 2.4.1:

Post	Present	SIU recommendations	Additional requirements
GDMOs	1539	2105	566
Pharmacy Officer	1113	1405	292
Nursing	446	497	47
Admn Assistant	547	932	285
Multi task staff	1777	2183	406

Hence, we are of the opinion that more Doctors and supporting staff are to be recruited in CGHS.

4) CGHS rates and more private hospitals to be empanelled:

The CGHS rates shall be revised considering the rates prevailing in market, in this connection the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Health and Family Welfare has given positive decisions which are reproduced below:

Para number 2.7.2 The Committee observes that the rates for treatment or diagnosis under CGHS are very low as compared to the prevailing rates of hospitals in general. Apart from the delay in the settlement of bills, the low rates of procedures appear to be one of the major reasons for the reluctance of some empanelled hospitals to provide treatment to CGHS beneficiaries. The Committee has come to know that many empanelled HCOs are less interested in the renewal or extension of the agreement for empanelment due to these two reasons. The Committee is of the view that the beneficiaries of CGHS must not suffer any undue delay on the part of the Government concerning the settlement of bills or revision of rates. The recommendations of the Committee to address the delay in the settlement of bills have been stated in para 2.6.

Para number 2.7.3 As part of the revision of rates, the Committee recommends the Ministry review the rates of all the remaining procedures and diagnoses in CGHS in a time-bound manner. While revising the rates, the Ministry should consult the HCOs and other stakeholders extensively.

We request to expedite the rate revision as per market rates.

5) Referral System under CGHS:

Parliamentary Standing Committee on Health and Family Welfare has given positive decisions which are reproduced below: Para number 2.11.2 The Committee has, however, learnt that as per present practice, even after obtaining a referral in the first



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instance, if the consultant in the private hospital prescribes any tests/investigation/treatment, the beneficiary is required to report back to the dispensary and get that prescribed tests/investigation/treatment endorsed from the CGHS doctor. The Committee feels that the present referral system is cumbersome, which only inconveniences the beneficiaries and adds to the woes of a patient with poor health. The Committee recommends the Ministry devise appropriate solutions to simplify the referral system so that a beneficiary is not required to visit the CGHS dispensary multiple times just to get the prescribed tests done following a referral in the first instance.

6) Autonomous bodies under the Central Government.

Standing Committee on Health and Family Welfare has given positive decisions which are reproduced below:

Para 2.15.1 During the meeting with the Committee, the Ministry informed that all autonomous bodies are not covered under CGHS. JNVs and KVs are autonomous bodies under the Central Government. While there are about 450 autonomous bodies in India, only 60 are covered under CGHS, out of which only 13 are covered for their serving employees and pensioners. The rest of the autonomous bodies are covered only for their serving employees. CGHS facilities have not been extended to any new organisation since 2008. However, orders were issued in 2014 and 2018 to consider an extension of CGHS facilities to the pensioners of autonomous bodies, whose serving employees were already covered under CGHS, if such a request is received through the concerned Ministry. Presently, the employees/pensioners of JNVs are not covered under CGHS. KVs are covered under CGHS in Delhi, Bengaluru, Hyderabad, Chennai/Kolkata and Mumbai. The concerned autonomous body is responsible for providing health facilities to their employees/pensioners. The Ministry of Health & Family Welfare informed that they are not receiving a request from KVs to extend CGHS facilities in other cities.

The CGHS facilities shall be extended to the employees of Autonomous bodies also.

The Confederation of Central Government Employees and Worker's requests to your good self to kindly arrange/cause to implement the positive recommendation of this committee in letter and true

spirit, so that the Central Government employees and pensioners across the pan India are benefited from the scheme of CGHS more effectively.

Thanking you,

Sincerely Yours,
(S.B. Yadav)
Secretary General

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DEPARTMENTAL NEWS

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F.No. A-240n/5/2024-ESTT-Leave

Government of India Ministry of Personnel,
Public Grievances and Pensions Department of
Personnel & Training .

Old JNU Campus, New Delhi 110 067

Dated: 29.07.2024

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Instructions for conferring the power to relax the spells of Child Care Leave to the Leave Sanctioning Authority in the Ministries and Departments under the Government of India - regarding.

This Department has been considering relaxation of the spells of Child Care Leave, admissible under Rule 43-C(3)(i) of the CCS (Leave) Rules 1972, to female Central Government employees and single male Central Government employees in case of medical treatment of the child, in public interest, in consultation with Department of Expenditure and National Council (JCM).

2. As a welfare measure it has now been decided that, the leave sanctioning authorities in the Ministries or Departments under the Government of India are bestowed with the power to relax up to a maximum of three spells beyond the existing three spells of Child Care Leave in a calendar year, under Rule 43-C(3)(i) of the CCS (Leave) Rules 1972, to female Central Government employees and single male Central Government employees in case their child is admitted in a hospital as inpatient.

3. These orders shall be effective from the date of issuance of this office Memorandum.

(J. S. Kanth)

Under Secretary to the Govt, of India

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No.F.1/3/2024-PPD
Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Expenditure
Procurement Policy Division

502, Lok Nayak Bhavan,
Khan Market, New Delhi,
10.07.2024

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: - Amendment in General Financial Rules, 2017.

It has been decided with the approval of Finance Minister to make following amendments in the General Financial Rules, 2017:

S. No.	Existing Rule	Amended Rule
1.	Rule133(1) A Ministry or Department at its discretion may directly execute repair works estimated to cost up to Rupees Thirty Lakhs after following due procedure indicated in Rule139,159 & 160.	Rule133(1) A Ministry or Department at its discretion may directly execute repair works estimated to cost up to Rupees Sixty Lakhs after following due procedure indicated in Rule 139, 159 & 160.
2.	Rule 133 (2) A Ministry or Department may, at its discretion, assign repair works estimated to cost above Rupees thirty Lakhs and original/ minor works of any value to any Public Works Organisation (PWO) such as Central Public Works Department (CPWD), State Public Works Department, others Central Government organisations authorised to carry out civil or electrical works such as Military Engineering Service (MES), Border Roads Organisation (BRO), etc. or Ministry/ Department's construction wings of Ministries of Railways, Defence, Environment & Forests, Information & Broadcasting and Departments of Posts, and Space etc.	Rule 133 (2) A Ministry or Department may, at its discretion, assign repair works estimated to cost above Rupees Sixty Lakhs and original/ minor works of any value to any Public Works Organisation (PWO) such as Central Public Works Department (CPWD), State Public Works Department, others Central Government organisations authorised to carry out civil or electrical works such as Military Engineering Service (MES), Border Roads Organisation (BRO), etc. or Ministry/ Department's construction wings of Ministries of Railways, Defence, Environment & Forests, Information & Broadcasting and Departments of Posts and Space etc.
3.	Rule 133 (3) As an alternative to 133(2), a Ministry or Department may award repair works estimated to cost above Rupees thirty Lakhs and original works of any value to: (i) any Public Sector Undertaking set up by the Central or State Government to carry out civil or electrical works or (ii) to any other Central/ State Government organisation/ PSU which may be notified by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) for such purpose after evaluating their financial strength and technical competence. For the award of work under this sub-rule, the Ministry/ Department shall ensure competition among such PSUs/ Organisations. This competition shall be essentially on the lump sum service charges to be claimed for execution of work. In exceptional cases, for award of work under (i) and (ii) above, on nomination basis, the conditions contained in Rule 194 would apply. The work under these circumstances shall also be awarded only on the basis of lump sum service charge.	Rule 133 (3) As an alternative to 133(2), a Ministry or Department may award repair works estimated to cost above Rupees Sixty Lakhs and original works of any value to: (i) any Public Sector Undertaking set up by the Central or State Government to carry out civil or electrical works or (ii) to any other Central/ State Government organisation/ PSU which may be notified by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) for such purpose after evaluating their financial strength and technical competence. For the award of work under this sub-rule, the Ministry/ Department shall ensure competition among such PSUs/ Organisations. This competition shall be essentially on the lump sum service charges to be claimed for execution of work. In exceptional cases, for award of work under (i) and (ii) above, on nomination basis, the conditions contained in Rule 194 would apply. The work under these circumstances shall also be awarded only on the basis of lump sum service charge.



4.	Rule 139: Procedure for Execution of Works. The broad procedure to be followed by a Ministry or Department for execution of works under its own arrangements shall be as under: -	Rule 139: Procedure for Execution of Works. The broad procedure to be followed by a Ministry or Department for execution of works under its own arrangements shall be as under: -
	(iv) Open tenders will be called for works costing Rs. Five lakh to Rs.Thirty lakh ; (v) limited tenders will be called for works costing less than Rupees five lakhs	(iv) Open tenders will be called for works costing Rs. Ten lakh to Rs. Sixty lakh ; (v) Limited tenders will be called for works costing less than Rupees Ten lakhs
5.	Rule 149: Government e-Marketplace (GeM). Government of India has established the Government e-Marketplace (GeM) for common use Goods and Services. GeM SPV will ensure adequate publicity including periodic advertisement of the items to be procured through GeM for the prospective suppliers. The Procurement of Goods and Services by Ministries or Departments will be mandatory for Goods or Services available on GeM. The credentials of suppliers on GeM shall be certified by GeM SPV. The procuring authorities will certify the reasonability of rates. The GeM portal shall be utilized by the Government buyers for direct on-line purchases as under: (i) Up to Rs.25,000/- through any of the available suppliers on the GeM, meeting the requisite quality, specification and delivery period. <i>Note: In case of automobiles, procurement under this sub-rule is permitted without any ceiling limit.</i> (ii) Above Rs.25,000/- and up to Rs.5,00,000/- through the GeM Seller having lowest price amongst the available sellers, of at least three different manufacturers, on GeM, meeting the requisite quality, specification and delivery period. The tools for online bidding and online reverse auction available on GeM can be used by the Buyer even for procurements less than Rs. 5,00,000 .	Rule 149: Government e-Marketplace (GeM). Government of India has established the Government e-Marketplace (GeM) for common use Goods and Services. GeM SPV will ensure adequate publicity including periodic advertisement of the items to be procured through GeM for the prospective suppliers. The Procurement of Goods and Services by Ministries or Departments will be mandatory for Goods or Services available on GeM. The credentials of suppliers on GeM shall be certified by GeM SPV. The procuring authorities will certify the reasonability of rates. The GeM portal shall be utilized by the Government buyers for direct on-line purchases as under: (i) Up to Rs.50,000/- through any of the available suppliers on the GeM, meeting the requisite quality, specification and delivery period. <i>Note: In case of automobiles, procurement under this sub-rule is permitted without any ceiling limit.</i> (ii) Above Rs.50,000/- and up to Rs.10,00,000/- through the GeM Seller having lowest price amongst the available sellers, of at least three different manufacturers, on GeM, meeting the requisite quality, specification and delivery period. The tools for online bidding and online reverse auction available on GeM can be used by the Buyer even for procurements less than Rs. 10,00,000/- .



	<p>(iii) Above Rs.5,00,000/- through the supplier having lowest price meeting the requisite quality, specification and delivery period after mandatorily obtaining bids, using online bidding or reverse auction tool provided on GeM.</p>	<p>(iii) Above Rs. 10,00,000/- through the supplier having lowest price meeting the requisite quality, specification and delivery period after mandatorily obtaining bids, using online bidding or reverse auction tool provided on GeM.</p>
6.	<p>Rule 154 : Purchase of goods without quotation Purchase of goods upto the value of Rs. 25,000 (Rupees twenty five thousand) only] only on each occasion may be made without inviting quotations or bids on the basis of a certificate to be recorded by the competent authority in the following format.</p> <p>"I, am personally satisfied that these goods purchased are of the requisite quality and specification and have been purchased from a reliable supplier at a reasonable price."</p>	<p>Rule 154 : Purchase of goods without quotation Purchase of goods upto the value of Rs. 50,000/- (Rupees fifty thousand) only on each occasion may be made without inviting quotations or bids on the basis of a certificate to be recorded by the competent authority in the following format.</p> <p>"I, am personally satisfied that these goods purchased are of the requisite quality and specification and have been purchased from a reliable supplier at a reasonable price."</p>
7.	<p>Rule 155: Purchase of goods by Purchase Committee. [In case a certain item is not available on the GeM portal,] Purchase of goods costing above [Rs.25,000 (Rupees twenty five thousand only) and upto Rs.2,50,000/- (Rupees two lakh and fifty thousand only)] on each occasion may be made on the recommendations of a duly constituted Local Purchase Committee consisting of three members of an appropriate level as decided by the Head of the Department. The committee will survey the market to ascertain the reasonableness of rate, quality and specifications and identify the appropriate supplier. Before recommending placement of the purchase order, the members of the committee will jointly record a certificate as under:</p> <p>"Certified that we, members of the purchase committee are jointly and individually satisfied that the goods recommended for purchase are of the requisite specification and quality, priced at the prevailing market rate and the supplier recommended is reliable and competent to supply the goods in question, and it is not debarred by Department of Expenditure or Ministry/ Department concerned."</p>	<p>Rule 155 : Purchase of goods by Purchase Committee. [In case a certain item is not available on the GeM portal,] Purchase of goods costing above [Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty thousand only) and upto Rs. 5,00,000/- (Rupees Five lakh only)] on each occasion may be made on the recommendations of a duly constituted Local Purchase Committee consisting of three members of an appropriate level as decided by the Head of the Department. The committee will survey the market to ascertain the reasonableness of rate, quality and specifications and identify the appropriate supplier. Before recommending placement of the purchase order, the members of the committee will jointly record a certificate as under:</p> <p>"Certified that we, members of the purchase committee are jointly and individually satisfied that the goods recommended for purchase are of the requisite specification and quality, priced at the prevailing market rate and the supplier recommended is reliable and competent to supply the goods in question, and it is not debarred by Department of Expenditure or Ministry/ Department concerned."</p>



8.	<p>Rule 161 : Advertised Tender Enquiry</p> <p>(i) Subject to exceptions incorporated under Rule 154, 155, 162 and 166, invitation to tenders by advertisement should be used for procurement of goods of estimated value of Rs. 25 lakhs (Rupees Twenty Five Lakh) and above. Advertisement in such cases should be given on <i>Central Public Procurement Portal (CPPP)</i> at <i>www.eprocure.gov.in</i> and on GeM. An organisation having its own website should also publish all its advertised tender enquiries on the website.</p>	<p>Rule 161 : Advertised Tender Enquiry</p> <p>(i) Subject to exceptions incorporated under Rule 154, 155, 162 and 166, invitation to tenders by advertisement should be used for procurement of goods of estimated value of Rs. 50 lakhs (Rupees Fifty Lakh) and above. Advertisement in such cases should be given on GeM as well as on GeM- Central Public Procurement Portal (CPPP). An organisation having its own website should also publish all its advertised tender enquiries on the website.</p>
9.	<p>Rule 162 : Limited Tender Enquiry</p> <p>(i) This method may be adopted when estimated value of the goods to be procured is up to Rupees Twenty five Lakhs. Copies of the bidding document should be sent directly by speed post/ registered post/ courier/ email to firms which are borne on the list of registered suppliers for the goods in question as referred under Rule 150 above. The number of supplier firms in Limited Tender Enquiry should be more than three. Efforts should be made to identify a higher number of approved suppliers to obtain more responsive bids on competitive basis. Further, an organisation should publish its limited tender enquiries on <i>Central Public Procurement Portal (CPPP)</i> as per Rule 159. Apart from CPPP, the organisations should publish the tender enquiries on the Department's or Ministry's website.</p> <p>(iii) Purchase through Limited Tender Enquiry may be adopted even where the estimated value of the procurement is more than Rupees twenty-five Lakhs, in the following circumstances.</p>	<p>Rule 162 Limited Tender Enquiry (LTE)</p> <p>(i) This method may be adopted when estimated value of the goods to be procured is up to Rupees Fifty Lakhs. Copies of the bidding document should be sent directly by speed post/ registered post/ courier/ email to firms which are borne on the list of registered suppliers for the goods in question as referred under Rule 150 above. The number of supplier firms in Limited Tender Enquiry should be more than three. Efforts should be made to identify a higher number of approved suppliers to obtain more responsive bids on competitive basis. Further, an organisation should publish its limited tender enquiries on GeM as well as on GeM- CPPP. Apart from GeM, the organisations should publish the tender enquiries on the Department's or Ministry's web site.</p> <p>(iii) Purchase through Limited Tender Enquiry may be adopted even where the estimated value of the procurement is more than Rupees Fifty Lakhs, in the following circumstances.</p>

	<p>(a) The competent authority in the Ministry or Department certifies that the demand is urgent and any additional expenditure involved by not procuring through advertised tender enquiry is justified in view of urgency. The Ministry or Departments should also put on record the nature of the urgency and reasons why the procurement could not be anticipated.</p> <p>(b) There are sufficient reasons, to be recorded in writing by the competent authority, indicating that it will not be in public interest to procure the goods through advertised tender enquiry.</p> <p>(c) The sources of supply are definitely known and possibility of fresh source(s) beyond those being tapped is remote.</p>	<p>(a) The competent authority in the Ministry or Department certifies that the demand is urgent and any additional expenditure involved by not procuring through advertised tender enquiry is justified in view of urgency. The Ministry or Department should also put on record the nature of the urgency and reasons why the procurement could not be anticipated.</p> <p>(b) There are sufficient reasons, to be recorded in writing by the competent authority, indicating that it will not be in public interest to procure the goods through advertised tender enquiry.</p> <p>(c) The sources of supply are definitely known and possibility of fresh source(s) beyond those being tapped is remote.</p>
10.	<p>Rule 173 : Transparency, competition, fairness and elimination of arbitrariness in the procurement process (xxii) In case a purchase Committee is constituted to purchase or recommend the procurement, no member of the purchase Committee should be reporting directly to any other member of such Committee in case estimated value of procurement exceeds Rs. 25 lakhs.</p>	<p>Rule 173 : Transparency, competition, fairness and elimination of arbitrariness in the procurement process (xxii) In case a purchase Committee is constituted to purchase or recommend the procurement, no member of the purchase Committee should be reporting directly to any other member of such Committee in case estimated value of procurement exceeds Rs. 50 lakhs.</p>
11.	<p>Rule 183 Identification of likely sources. (i) Where the estimated cost of the consulting service is up to [Rupees twenty-five lakhs], preparation of a long list of potential consultants may be done on the basis of formal or informal enquiries from other Ministries or Departments or Organisations involved in similar activities, Chambers of Commerce & Industry, Association of consultancy firms etc.</p>	<p>Rule 183 Identification of likely sources. (i) Where the estimated cost of the consulting service is up to [Rupees Fifty lakhs], preparation of a long list of potential consultants may be done on the basis of formal or informal enquiries from other Ministries or Departments or Organisations involved in similar activities, Chambers of Commerce & Industry, Association of consultancy firms etc.</p>



	<p>(ii) Where the estimated cost of the consulting services is above Rupees twenty-five lakhs, in addition to (i) above, an enquiry for seeking 'Expression of Interest' from consultants should be published on <i>Central Public Procurement Portal (CPPP)</i> at www.eprocure.gov.in and on GeM. An organisation having its own website should also publish all its advertised tender enquiries on the website. Enquiry for seeking Expression of Interest should include in brief, the broad scope of work or service, inputs to be provided by the Ministry or Department, eligibility and the pre-qualification criteria to be met by the consultant(s) and consultant's past experience in similar work or service. The consultants may also be asked to send their comments on the objectives and scope of the work or service projected in the enquiry. Adequate time should</p>	<p>(ii) Where the estimated cost of the consulting services is above Rupees Fifty lakhs, in addition to (i) above, an enquiry for seeking 'Expression of Interest' from consultants should be published on GeM as well as on GeM-CPPP. An organisation having its own website should also publish all its advertised tender enquiries on the website. Enquiry for seeking Expression of Interest should include in brief, the broad scope of work or service, inputs to be provided by the Ministry or Department, eligibility and the pre-qualification criteria to be met by the consultant(s) and consultant's past experience in similar work or service. The consultants may also be asked to send their comments on the objectives and scope of the work or service projected in the enquiry. Adequate time should be allowed for getting responses from interested consultants.</p>
<p>12.</p>	<p>Rule 201: Invitation of Bids.</p> <p>(i) For estimated value of the non-consulting service up to Rupees ten lakhs or less: The Ministry or Department should scrutinise the preliminary list of likely contractors as identified as per Rule 199 above, decide the prima facie Eligible and capable contractors and issue limited tender enquiry to them asking for their offers by a specified date and time etc. as per standard practice. The number of the contractors so identified for issuing limited tender enquiry should be more than three.</p> <p>(ii) For estimated value of the non-consulting service above Rs.10 lakhs: The Ministry or Department should issue advertisement in such case should be given on <i>Central Public Procurement Portal (CPPP)</i> at www.eprocure.gov.in and on GeM. An organization having its own website should also publish all its advertised tender enquiries on the website. The advertisements for invitation of tenders should give the complete web address from where the bidding documents can be downloaded.</p>	<p>Rule 201: Invitation of Bids.</p> <p>(i) For estimated value of the non-consulting service up to Rupees Fifty lakhs or less: The Ministry or Department should scrutinise the preliminary list of likely contractors as identified as per Rule 199 above, decide the prima facie Eligible and capable contractors and issue limited tender enquiry to them asking for their offers by a specified date and time etc. as per standard practice. The number of the contractors so identified for issuing limited tender enquiry should be more than three.</p> <p>(ii) For estimated value of the non-consulting service above Rs. 50 lakhs: The Ministry or Department should issue advertisement in such cases on GeM as well as on GeM-CPPP. An organisation having its own website should also publish all its advertised tender enquiries on the website. The advertisements for invitation of tenders should give the complete web address from where the bidding documents can be downloaded.</p>



13.	Rule 218: Modes of Disposal. (i) Surplus or obsolete or unserviceable goods of assessed residual value above Rupees Two Lakh should be disposed of by:	Rule 218: Modes of Disposal. (i) Surplus or obsolete or unserviceable goods of assessed residual value above Rupees Four Lakh should be disposed of by:
	(a) obtaining bids through advertised tender or (b) public auction. For surplus or obsolete or unserviceable goods with residual value less than Rupees Two Lakh , the mode of disposal will be determined by the competent authority, keeping in view the necessity to avoid accumulation of such goods and consequential blockage of space and, also, deterioration in value of goods to be disposed of. Ministries/ Departments should, as far as possible prepare a list of such goods.	(a) obtaining bids through advertised tender or (b) public auction. For surplus or obsolete or unserviceable goods with residual value less than Rupees Four Lakh , the mode of disposal will be determined by the competent authority, keeping in view the necessity to avoid accumulation of such goods and consequential blockage of space and, also, deterioration in value of goods to be disposed of. Ministries/ Departments should, as far as possible prepare a list of such goods.

2. It is clarified that the specific relaxation in the GFRs already provided to Scientific Ministries etc. vide OM No. 20/42/2021-PPD dated 20.05.2024 will continue to be available to them.

3. This OM is also available on website of Department of Expenditure; www.doe.gov.in -> Notification -> Circular -> Procurement Policy OM.


(Anil Kumar)

Deputy Secretary (Procurement Policy)

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CIRCLE NEWS

The Joint Biennial Conference of ITEF & ITGOA, Odisha held on 26.07.2024 & 27.07.2024 completed successfully. It was a joint Conference of ITEF & ITGOA after 13 years where the delegates session held separately but the Inaugural session, JCA Session and Open Session held jointly.

Leaders from both ITEF(Chq.) & ITGOA(Chq.) Com. Arvind Trivedi, Com. Bhaskar Bhattacharya, Com. Amitav Dey, Com. J.P. Singh, Com. Sayantan Bannerjee, Com. Rupak Sarkar, Com. Ajay Tiwari and Com. M.S. Vengatesan were kind enough to grace the occasion.

From the Conference Com.Radheshyam Giri, Com.C R Patnaik and Com.Prahlad Ch Sahoo elected as President, General Secretary and Finance Secretary respectively.

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Lunch hour demonstrations under the banner of Central JCA



13th Biennial Conference and Election of Bihar & Jharkhand Circle



Joint Biennial Conference of ITEF Odisha Circle and ITGOA Odisha Unit.

