

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS – REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE REORGANISATION AND ECONOMY COMMITTEE – RECOMMENDATION NO.172 – FORMULATION AND EXAMINATION OF SCHEME AT PRE-BUDGET STAGE - ORDERS - ISSUED

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The Administrative Reorganisation and Economy Committee (1965-67) has made the following recommendations:

“The formulation and examination of new schemes, whether they are Plan Schemes or not, should begin sufficiently early, so that by the time they are considered for inclusion in the budget they have been fully processed and cleared by Finance Department also. Schemes which cannot be subjected to such a detailed scrutiny should be deferred to a later year”.

2. Control of expenditure should be effective and for enforcing financial discipline it is necessary that budget estimates are prepared as accurately and as realistically as possible. The preparation of the budget on a realistic basis makes it essential that full details of the schemes which are to be included in the Budget are furnished to scrutinized even before they are included in the Budget. Thus the schemes which a Head of Department considers should be implemented in the financial year 1968-69 should be sent with full details to Government during the period April to July 1967. It will then be possible for the Administrative Department concerned to examine them and get clearance from the Finance Department whenever necessary. Thus at the time of the preparation of the budget, Government will have in hand a stock file of fully worked out schemes from which a selection could be made on the basis of the availability of resources. Government, therefore, direct that all Heads of Departments should take necessary advance action to work out the details of schemes and send them to Government well in advance of the dates fixed for the submission of the Budget Estimates. It will be noted that schemes which are brought forward at later stages might have to be deferred.

3. Pre-planning implies working out faithfully and accurately the details of the scheme. Instances are not wanting where for the sake of getting a scheme accepted, financial outlays and administrative difficulties have been minimized at the time of first presentation, leading to considerable administrative and financial strain later on. Unless Administrative Departments themselves exercise vigilance and scrutinize the proposals carefully there would be avoidable wastage, delay and consequent frustration and Government would come in for

criticism. It should, therefore, be the responsibility of the Secretaries to Government to fix responsibility of the Secretaries to Government to fix responsibility whenever there occurs wide deviation from the original proposals and estimates.

By order of the Governor,

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Chief Secretary.

To

The Accountant General , Kerala,
All Heads of Departments and offices