No. 2-1/2016- IFD
Government of India
Ministry of Environment & Forests
(Integrated Finance Division)

Agni Wing, 1st Floor, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bagh, New Delhi, dated the 8th March, 2018

Office MEMORANDUM

Subject:- Rush of expenditure in the closing month of Financial Year 2017-18 - regarding

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith a copy of O.M. No. 23(2)/E.Coord/2018, dated the 7^{th} March, 2018 received from the Department of Expenditure, on the above mentioned subject for information & strict compliance.

- 2. While inviting attention to the extant guidelines for restrictions of expenditure to 33% for the last quarter of the financial year and 15% for the month of March, 2018, Ministry of Finance have now stressed the need for submitting the proposals seeking financial concurrence from Department of Expenditure/I.F.Ds of the respective Ministries to be completed by the 9th March, 2018 and regular sanctions and bills must be preferred on PFMS portal by 15th March, 2018. Only exceptional cases and bills pertaining to last supplementary Demands for Grants will be considered by Financial Adviser thereafter.
- 3. All Divisional Heads in the Ministry are requested to comply with the instructions issued by DoE and submit the proposals to IFD by 9^{th} March, 2018 positively.

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- 1. All Divisional Heads in the Ministry including NAEB and NRCD.
- 2. Chief Controller of Accounts, MoEF&CC.

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- 1. Sr.PPS to Secretary (EF&CC)/ DGF&SS/ AKJ/ AKM/ AS&FA/ADG(FC/ WL/PT).
- 2. Copy to IT to upload on the website of the Ministry.

No.23(2)/E.Coord/2018
Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Expenditure
North Block, New Delhi

North Block, New Delhi **Dated**: 7th March 2018

Office Memorandum

Subject: - Rush of expenditure in the closing month of Financial year 2017-18

According to Rule 62 (3) of General Financial Rules, 2017, rush of expenditure particularly in the closing months of financial year, shall be regarded as a breach of financial propriety and shall be avoided. It is further mentioned that Finance Ministry has already sensitized all administrative heads that rush of expenditure in the year end must be strictly avoided. As per extant guidelines, the last quarter expenditure must be limited to actual procurement of goods and services and reimbursement of expenditure already occurred. Ministry of Finance's instructions restrict last quarter expenditure to 33% ceiling and last month (March) expenditure to 15% ceiling.

- 2. In view of above, the process of obtaining financial concurrence of Ministry of Finance and IFDs of the respective Ministries/ Departments must, therefore, be completed by 9th March 2018 and regular Sanctions and Bills must be preferred on PFMS Portal by 15th March The sanctions, bills pertaining to the last Supplementary Demands for Grants only or any exceptional cases with the approval of Financial Adviser of the Ministry/ Department may be processed thereafter.
- 3. It is requested that necessary instructions in this regard may please be issued to all Heads of Departments and Head-offices/sections of main Ministries/Departments so that there is no breach of financial propriety.

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To:

- 1. All Secretaries to the Government of India
- 2. All Financial Advisers of Ministries/ Departments