

PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

Subject: Creation of a Gender Budget Cell (GBC) in the Fiscal Policy & Analysis Cell, Finance Department.

GOVERNMENT ORDER NO.FD 21 GIE 2005, BANGALORE,
DATED 29TH JANUARY 2007

PREAMBLE:

The Ministry of Finance, Government of India, is committed under the National Common Minimum Programme, which includes empowerment of women, to introduce Gender Budgeting. As a part of this pilot project, the Ministry of Finance selected certain Ministries at the Central level and the State of Karnataka at the State level to implement Gender Budgeting.

Gender Budgeting refers to presentation of budgetary data in a manner so that the gender sensitivities of the budgetary allocations are clearly highlighted. It also involves carrying out an impact analysis of Government programmes and its budgetary allocations on the overall socio-economic status of women.

As part of the accounting reforms, Finance Minister, in his Budget Speech for the year 2006-07, proposed the formulation of the Gender Budget Cell. It is the intention of the Government to consider aspects of beneficiary class identification for a meaningful analysis of the incidence of public expenditure and facilities evaluation of beneficiary-impact for identified target groups. The Gender Budget Cell (GBC) primarily needs to co-ordinate between various departments, NGO's, experts and various administrative departments in order to implement Gender Budgetary effectively. The activities also include formulation of policies and all other activities including publicity, which should be done based on the feedback obtained from the stakeholders.

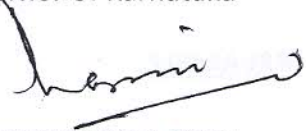
In order to perform the above mentioned functions, it is intended to create the Gender Budget Cell in the existing Fiscal Policy and Analysis Cell of the Finance Department. It is also intended to introduce Gender Budgeting in the State Budget for the year 2007-08 on the same lines as the Government of India. Hence the following order.

ORDER

The Gender Budget Cell will be created in the Fiscal Policy and Analysis Cell (FPAC) with Deputy Secretary to Government (Budget & Resources), Finance Department as the Ex-Officio Head of the Cell. Two of the existing Special Officers of the FPAC, nominated by the Finance Department will perform all the functions of the

Gender Budget Cell. The support staff required for performing the activities of the GBC shall be outsourced. Any research study to be undertaken on the subject of Gender Budgeting in due course shall be outsourced. The expenditure of the Gender Budget Cell shall be debited to the Head of Account 2054-00-098-0-02 - Capacity Building in Finance Department.

By Order and in the name of the
Governor of Karnataka



(T P NARASINGA RAO)

Under Secretary to Government
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Finance Department

To:

- 1) The Accountant General (A&E), Karnataka, Bangalore
- 2) Principal Secretary to Government, Finance Department
- 3) Secretary to Government, (B&R), Finance Department
- 4) Secretary to Government, (Exp), Finance Department
- 5) The Controller, State Accounts Department, Cauvery Bhavan, K G Road, Bangalore
- 6) The Director of Treasuries, NMC, Khanija Bhavan, Race Course Road, Bangalore
- 7) The Joint Director, State Huzur Treasury, K R Circle, Bangalore
- 8) Joint Secretary to Government,(Admn), Finance Department
- 9) Deputy Secretary (B&R), Finance Department
- 10) Deputy Secretary-III, Finance Department
- 11) Special Officer (Accounts), #36, MSIL House, 9th Floor, Cunningham Road, Bangalore.