



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Finance (Funds) Department

**CIRCULAR**

No.121/2018/Fin

Dated 24/12/2018, Thiruvananthapuram

Sub: Salary Challenge- Rectification of Issues on account of Salary Challenge in SPARK-  
Instruction issued- Reg.

Ref: 1. G.O. No.144/2018/Fin dated 11.09.2018

2. Circular No.99/2018/Fin Dated 31.10.2018

3. Circular No.100/2018/Fin dated 31.10.2018

4. Circular No.118/2018/Fin dated 17.12.2018 for refund of excess deduction.

As per the GOs and Circulars referred above, Government have issued instructions relating to Salary Challenge in the aftermath of devastating floods in Kerala for generating funds for CMDRF. Now it has been noticed that recoveries are being made from the salaries of those employees who had not submitted willingness for Salary Challenge, due to the mistakes on the part of DDOs while processing the salaries of the employees concerned through SPARK. For rectifying the mistakes following instructions are issued.

1. The cases reported to Finance (Funds) Department will be transferred to SPARK and SPARK in turn rectify the mistakes after getting all the relevant information/certificate/declaration from the concerned DDO's through e-mail, etc.
2. Employees whose recovery towards CMDRF is being done based on non- marking of already donated amount and excess recoveries, the same will be rectified by SPARK PMU on receipt of the details in the attached format.
3. Fresh options should be provided in SPARK for deduction of salary from those employees who are willing to contribute one month's salary to CMDRF. The software needs to be modified by SPARK where by those cases in which the option was initially YES subsequently made NO shall be modified to provide YES option again to enable the willing employees to contribute one month's salary.
4. All the mistakes should be corrected within January 2019. Under no circumstances, salary of the employees is withheld for want of correction on account of Salary Challenge.

**MANOJ JOSHI**  
**PRINCIPAL SECRETARY (FINANCE)**

Copy to: -

1. Principal Accountant General (A&E) Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.
2. Principal Accountant General (General & Social Sector Audit), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.
3. Accountant General (Economic & Revenue Sector Audit) Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.
4. All Heads of Department
5. Advocate General, Kerala, Ernakulam.
6. Registrar, High Court of Kerala, Ernakulam.
7. Secretary, Kerala Public Service Commission, Thiruvananthapuram.
8. Secretary to the Honourable Governor of Kerala.
9. Private Secretary, Chief Minister, other Ministers.
10. Private Secretary, Speaker.
11. Private Secretary, Deputy Speaker.
12. Private Secretary, Leader of Opposition.
13. Private Secretary, Chief Whip.
14. Secretary, Kerala State Election Commission, Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.
15. Registrar, Kerala Lokayukta, Thiruvananthapuram.
16. Director of Treasuries, Thiruvananthapuram.
17. All District/Sub Treasuries.
18. Director, Information & Public Relations, Thiruvananthapuram.
19. All Departments in Secretariat.
20. All Additional Secretaries, Joint Secretaries, Under Secretaries.
21. All Universities in Kerala.

*22. Nodal officer, www.finance.kerala.gov.in*

Approved for Issue



Section Officer

**Format**

PEN	
Name	
Name of the Department	
Name of the Office	
a. Gross Salary during the month of September 2018(Rs.)	
b. Amount already deducted but not included as part of Salary Challenge in SPARK(Rs.)	
Balance amount to be deducted from Salary(a)-(b)	
Number of instalments remaining	

The above details furnished are true and correct.

Place:

Name (DDO/HOD):

Date:

**Office Seal**

Department:

Land phone number:

Mobile number:

E-mail: