



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Finance Department – Taking over of Service and Payroll Administrative Repository of Kerala (SPARK) project by Finance Department - Approved – Orders issued

FINANCE (IT-SF) DEPARTMENT

GO(MS) No. 154/2016/Fin

Thiruvananthapuram dated 04.04.2016

- Read:-
1. GO(MS) No. 392/05/GAD dated 05.11.2005
 2. Decision of 35th Executive Committee of Kerala State IT Mission held on 09.10.2014
 3. Letter No. DDFS/SPARK/9919/2014-KSITM dated 06.01.2015 and 16.02.2016 from the Director, Kerala State IT Mission
 4. Minutes of the meeting chaired by the Additional Chief Secretary (Finance) on 16.03.2015

ORDER

As per Government Order read above, implementation of SPARK for Kerala was entrusted with Information Technology Department as owner and Finance Department as co-owner of the project. The implementation was executed through Kerala State IT Mission as the implementing agency. Now, SPARK has been completely implemented in all departments including Cheque Drawing Departments and aided educational institutions and is being developed into a complete HR management system.

The 35th Executive Committee of Kerala State IT Mission, it is decided to inform Government that the initial phase of the project is completed and it is ready to be taken over by Finance Department.

A meeting chaired by the Additional Chief Secretary (Finance) to discuss the modalities in this regard was held on 16.03.2015 and decided to take over the project by Finance Department, since the implementation is completed and the system is stabilized.

Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to order the following..

1. The Administrative and financial control of SPARK project will be taken over by Finance Department with effect from April 2016.

2. The project with the existing staff will be taken over by Finance Department, keeping the Project Monitoring structure as such and the administrative control will be vested with Finance (IT-SF) Department.
3. Kerala State IT Mission will continue to provide technical support for SPARK
4. The post of Chief Project Manager, which is now held by a Joint Secretary of Finance Department will become an addition to the cadre post of Finance Department. He / she will have the overall control over the SPARK Project Monitoring Unit Office.
5. The post of 'Content Development Manager' held by Under Secretary of Finance Department will be retained at KSITM and an officer will be posted on deputation basis from Finance Department as being done.
6. In order to ensure the continuity of the project, the staff members presently working with the SPARK project as per the approved staff pattern of KSITM on contract basis will be provisionally taken over by Finance Department with the existing remuneration package over a period of two years from the date of termination of the existing contract.
7. The check list with documents and infrastructure assets of the project shall be prepared by the Director, Kerala State IT Mission and handed over to the Chief Project Manager, SPARK.
8. The rent, telephone, electricity and water charge etc of the SPARK PMU Office will be continued to be met by KSITM.
9. The expenditure on account of the remuneration and allowance of the contract staff of SPARK PMU will be met by Finance Department by debit to the head of account "2052-00-090-FD-05-OE- Modernising of Finance Department and training of Staff (NP)" till a separate head for the same is allotted.

By Order of the Governor
Dr. K M ABRAHAM
Additional Chief Secretary (Finance)

To

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The Principal Accountant General (G&SSA), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram
The Accountant General (E&RSA), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram
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