# No. Z-14011/1/2016-HR (i) Government of India Ministry of Health & Family Welfare Department of Health Research

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Dated: 25th October, 2017

#### OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Continuation of the Central Sector Scheme of Department of Health Research, namely, the "Setting up of Nation-Wide Network of Laboratories for Managing Epidemics and National Calamities" beyond 12<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan i.e from 2017-18 to 2019-20 (14<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission period).

In pursuance of the decisions taken in the meeting of the Standing Finance Committee (SFC) held on 18<sup>th</sup> September, 2017 under the Chairpersonship of Secretary, Department of Health Research (DHR), approval of the Competent Authority is hereby conveyed to the Continuation of the Central Sector Scheme of Department of Health Research, namely, the "Setting up of Nation-Wide Network of Laboratories for Managing Epidemics and National Calamities" beyond 12<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan i.e. from 2017-18 to 2019-20 (14<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission period), at an estimated cost of Rs. 488.45 crores, follows:

| S.No. | New Viral Research &Diagnostic                      | Laboratories | Non-      | Recurring | Total  |
|-------|---|--------------|-----------|-----------|--------|
|       | (VRDLs) to be established during 2017-18 to 2019-20 |              | Recurring |           | *      |
| 1     | Regional Level Labs 0                               |              | 112.50    | 31.37     | 143.87 |
| 2     | State Level Labs 1                                  | 0            | 069.57    | 41.08     | 110.65 |
| 3     | Medical College Level Labs 4                        | 5            | 129.51    | 94.64     | 224.15 |
| 4     | Cost of Project administration.                     |              | 000.00    | 9.78      | 9.78   |
| -     | Total 6   | 0            | 311.58    | 176.87    | 488.45 |

#### 2. Other terms and conditions of the approval are as follows:

- i. There is no change in the architecture or framework of the Scheme as originally approved, including funding norms for civil works/renovation and equipment for the various categories of VRDLs.
- ii. Funding norms for non -recurring and recurring expenditure are given in **Annexure-I**.
- iii. The revision in Recurring Cost is limited to the revised /rationalized remuneration of staff in the PMIUs and contractual staff at State level and Medical College Level Labs (Annexure-II) and 7th CPC pay scales for regular posts at the Regional Level (Annexure-III).
- iv. The revision in remuneration of contractual staff both at the VRDLs and at the PMIUs would be applicable from 10.10.2017 i.e. date on which the continuation of scheme has been approved by the Competent Authority.
- v. Remuneration of contractual staff in the category of MTS/DEO/Office Assistant, etc. would be linked to Minimum Wages Act.
- vi. Proposal for creation of posts at the Regional level labs as per original approval of the scheme would be submitted to the Personnel Division of Department of Expenditure for approval separately as per existing guidelines on the subject.
- vii. With reference to those State Level/Medical College Level VRDLs, where funds have been fully released and the Labs are fully operational, further recurring liability may be borne by the concerned State Govt./Medical College on

completion of five years since 2013-14. In case of those VRDLs, where full grant has not been availed so far, these would be continued to be supported till they are fully operational and till 2019-20, whichever is earlier.

viii. The guidelines of the scheme will stand amended in consonance with the decisions of the SFC.

3. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority in terms of Ministry of Finance (Department of Expenditure)'s O.M. No.42 (02)/PF-II/2014 dated 23rd February, 2017 read with the OM No.24 (35)/PF-II/2012 dated 5th August, 2016 regarding appraisal and approval of schemes and with the concurrence of IFD vide their CD No.C-1932/2017 dated 24.10.2017.

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vi. VI. Project Managers/Finance Managers/Scientists of PMIUs of Schemes

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#### **FUNDING NORMS:**

Statement indicating for financial assistance for the various categories of Labs to be established under the Scheme for "Setting up of a Nation-wide Network of Laboratories for Managing Epidemics and National Calamities" during the 14<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission period.

| Type of Lab            | Norms for financial assistance per Lab   |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Regional Lab           | Non-Recurring cost:  |  |  |  |  |
|                        | About Rs. 15.00 crore for the development of infrastructure, which include civil |  |  |  |  |
|                        | works (Rs.4.20 cr.), furnishing & furni  | ture (Rs.0.50 cr.) and equipment (Rs.10.25 |  |  |  |
|                        | cr.).  |  |  |  |  |
|                        | Recurring cost:  |  |  |  |  |
|                        | About Rs 1.25 cr. per annum, comprising of staffing (Rs.0.90 cr.) and            |  |  |  |  |
|                        | Consumables & Contingencies and Training (Rs.0.35 cr.).                          |  |  |  |  |
| State Level Lab        | Non-Recurring cost:  |  |  |  |  |
|                        | About Rs. 3.975 cr. comprising up to Rs.0.50 cr. under civil works mainly for    |  |  |  |  |
|                        | renovation/modification of the buildings and Rs.3.475 cr. for Equipments.        |  |  |  |  |
|                        |  |  |  |  |  |
|                        | Recurring:   |  |  |  |  |
|                        | About Rs. 0.63 cr. per annum comprising expenses for engaging trained            |  |  |  |  |
|                        | technical man power on contractual basis (Rs.0.38 cr. per annum) and expenses    |  |  |  |  |
| 72 P                   | on training, consumables and contingencies (Rs.0.25 cr. per annum).              |  |  |  |  |
| <b>Medical College</b> | e Non-Recurring cost:  |  |  |  |  |
| Lab                    | bout Rs.1.439 cr. comprising Rs.0.939 cr. for equipment and Rs. 0.50 cr. for     |  |  |  |  |
|                        | civil works /renovation of building.   |  |  |  |  |
|                        |  |  |  |  |  |
|                        | Recurring cost:  |  |  |  |  |
|                        | Rs. 0.39 cr. per annum, comprising expenses on staffing (Rs. 0.24 cr.) and       |  |  |  |  |
|                        | Consumables & Contingencies and Training (Rs.0.15 cr.).                          |  |  |  |  |
| Project                | Head   | Amount                                     |  |  |  |
| Administration         | Project Implementation Unit at   | Rs. 0.76 cr. per annum.                    |  |  |  |
| Charges                | Department of Health Research  |  |  |  |  |
|                        | Technical Support Cell at ICMR   | Rs. 0.76 cr. per annum.                    |  |  |  |
|                        | Office Expenses at Department  | Rs. 1.00 cr. for the project period.       |  |  |  |
|                        | of Health Research   |  |  |  |  |

### Annexure-II

| Name of Post                             | Salary Per  | Level VRI<br>No of | Per Month     | Yearly  | Total for   |
|--|-------------|--------------------|---------------|---------|-------------|
|  | Month (Rs.) | <b>Posts</b>       | Per Post      | (Rs.)   | Three Years |
|  |             |                    | (Rs.)         |         |             |
|  |             | DHR- PM            | IIU           |         |             |
| Scientist - C (Medical)                  | 75000       |                    | <b>77</b> 000 | 000000  |             |
| Scientist - C (Non-<br>Medical)          | 70000       | 1                  | 75000         | 900000  |             |
| Section Officer                          | 30000-40000 | 1                  | 35000         | 420000  |             |
| Assistant                                | 25000-30000 | 1                  | 30000         | 360000  |             |
| Data Entry Operators                     | 16000-20000 | 2                  | 40000         | 480000  |             |
| Multi-Task Staff                         | 12000-15000 | 2                  | 30000         | 360000  |             |
| Total                                    |             | 7                  | 210000        | 2520000 | 7560000     |
|  |             | ICMR- PI           | MIU           |         |             |
| Scientist - C (Medical)                  | 75000       | 11 11 11 11        |               |         |             |
| Scientist - C (Non-<br>Medical)          | 70000       | 1                  | 75000         | 900000  |             |
| Section Officer                          | 30000-40000 | 1                  | 35000         | 420000  |             |
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| Total                                    |             | 7                  | 210000        | 2520000 | 7560000     |
|  | ST          | ATE LEVEI          | LVRDLs        |         |             |
| Research Scientist - II<br>(Medical)     | 75000       | 1                  | 75000         | 900000  |             |
| Research Scientist - II<br>(Non-Medical) | 70000       | 1                  |               |         |             |
| Research Scientist- I<br>(Medical)       | 65000       | 1                  | 65000         | 780000  |             |
| Research Scientists-I<br>(Non Medical)   | 60000       | 1                  | 60000         | 720000  |             |
| Research Assistant                       | 30000       | 2                  | 60000         | 720000  |             |
| Lab Technician                           | 25000       | 2                  | 50000         | 600000  |             |
| Total                                    |             | 7                  | 310000        | 3720000 | 11160000    |
|  | MEDICAL     | L COLLEGE          | LEVEL VRDLs   |         |             |
| Research Scientist-I<br>(Medical)        | 65000       | 1                  | 65000         | 780000  |             |
| Research Scientists-<br>(Non Medical)    | 60000       | 1                  | 60000         | 720000  |             |
| Research Assistant                       | 30000       | 1                  | 30000         | 360000  |             |
| Lab Technician                           | 25000       | 2                  | 50000         | 600000  |             |
| Total                                    |             | 5                  | 205000        | 2460000 | 7380000     |

## Core Staff to be provided at each Regional Lab

| S.<br>No. | Name of the Post<br>(Scale of Pay)  | No. of Posts per<br>Regional<br>Lab | Total Number of posts to<br>be created Regional Labs |
|-----------|---|-------------------------------------|--|
| 1.        | Research Scientist- II<br>(Medical) (Rs.67700-<br>208700 (Level-11) +<br>NPA) | 1                                   | 10   |
| 2.        | Research Scientist -II<br>(Non-Med) Rs.67700-<br>208700 (Level-11)            | 1                                   | 10   |
| 3.        | Research Scientist I<br>(Medical) Rs. 56100-<br>177500 (Level-10) +<br>NPA.   | 1                                   | 10   |
| 4.        | Research Scientist  -I (Non-Med)  Rs.56100-Rs177500  (Level-10)               | 1                                   | 10   |
| 5.        | Lab Technician (Rs<br>29200 – Rs 92300<br>(Level-5)                           | 4                                   | 40   |
| Tota      | No. of Regular Posts  | 8                                   | 80   |
| 1.        | Research Assistant @30,000/- p.m. on contractual basis                        | 2*                                  | 20   |
| 2.        | Data Entry Operator (Rs 16,000-20,000/-) on contractual basis                 | 2*                                  | 20*  |
| 3.        | Multitask Worker (Rs.12,000-15,000/-) on contractual basis                    | 6*                                  | 60*  |
| 4.        | Total No. of contractual Staff  | f 10                                | 100*   |

Recurring Cost of Regional Lab: Rs 1.25 crore per annum comprising of staffing (Rs 0.90 crore) and consumables & Contingencies and Training (Rs 0.35 crore). However, pending creation of regular posts, remuneration of Contractual staff would be as per State and Medical College Level Laboratories.

Remuneration of Data Entry Operators/MTS would be linked to Minimum Wages Act.