

**Government of Jammu and Kashmir
Information Technology Department
Civil Secretariat, J&K/Srinagar**

Subject: Streamlining of working of different agencies under the administrative control of Information Technology Department, in the execution of IT based e-Governance projects in the UT of J&K.

CIRCULAR

Whereas, CSC E-Governance Services India Limited (CSC-SPV) and National Informatics Center (NIC), J&K are working under the Administrative Control of Information Technology Department;

Whereas, it has been noticed that both the agencies are handling many IT based projects on their own without the knowledge and approval of the Information Technology Department resulting into duplication of resources and efforts;

Whereas, it has been observed that various Government Departments, Directorates, offices, autonomous bodies, corporations, Local bodies, PSUs etc. in J&K are approaching NIC J&K and CSC E-Governance Services India Limited (CSC-SPV) directly for the IT and e-Governance related projects without bringing into the knowledge of Information Technology Department;

Whereas, the issue has been examined in the Administrative Department and it has been felt that there is a dire need to streamline the working of these agencies in the interest of better control and administration of IT based projects besides making optimum utilization of domain expertise of these agencies for achieving the goals of Digital J&K.

In view of the above, the following instructions are being circulated for strict compliance by all concerned:

1. CSC E-Governance Services India Limited (CSC-SPV) and National Informatics Center (NIC), J&K shall not work on any e-Governance or IT based project without the prior knowledge of Information Technology Department.
2. In pursuance to the instructions issued by Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India vide their letter No. 2(21)/2009-EG-II dated 15-03-2013 and CSC-SPV operating guidelines, National Informatics Center (NIC), J&K and CSC E-Governance Services India Limited (CSC-SPV), if approached by any Department or Government office, for any IT or e-Governance related activities, especially involving proposals (DPRs, RFPs), purchases/procurements etc. must take a written consent and get the same reviewed and approved from Information Technology Department before its final submission to the user Department.

3. No Department/Govt. Office will approach directly to NIC or CSC E-Governance Services India Limited (CSC-SPV) regarding their IT based requirements, designing of projects/proposals, or any other consultancy related activities without routing the same through Information Technology Department.
4. The Information Technology Department has already created the core infrastructure like Data Center J&K and has got developed various Government to Citizen (G2C) services under the State Service Delivery Gateway (SSDG) and other e-Governance projects which are available online and also through Common Service Centers established under CSC schemes. This has eliminated need of having isolated and distributed hardware environment which is costly to manage and maintain. The State Wide Area Network (SWAN) will also be in place shortly which shall provide connectivity to all District and Block Head Quarters. This infrastructure can optimally be utilized by Government only if the coordination is done through the Information Technology Department.

All concerned must adhere to the instructions strictly, failing which, Information Technology Department shall not be responsible for failure of any IT based initiative in any user Department/office.

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1. Chief Secretary, J&K for information.
2. Financial Commissioner, Finance Department with the request to kindly direct his subordinate offices for compliance.
3. Financial Commissioner, Health and Medical Education Department with the request to kindly direct his subordinate offices for compliance.
4. Principal Secretary to Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, J&K for information.
5. All Administrative Secretaries with the request to kindly direct their respective subordinate offices for compliance.
6. Chief Executive Officer, CSC E-Governance Services India Limited (CSC-SPV), New-Delhi for information and necessary action.
7. All Deputy Commissioners.
8. SIO, NIC J&K for compliance.
9. I/c official website, IT Department with the direction to upload the circular on Departmental website.
10. Office File.


16.7.20
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