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GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY
WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT SECRETARIAT

[G.O. Ms. No. 14/2023-WCD(SW-IV)/1699,
Puducherry, dated 06th December 2023]

NOTIFICATION

Whereas, the Ministry of Women and Child Development (MWCD), New Delhi, has launched "Mission Shakti" Scheme - an integrated Women Empowerment Programme as Umbrella Scheme for the safety, security and empowerment of women. The components of Mission Shakti have been designed in such a way that it takes care of the Women's need on life cycle continuum basis. Mission Shakti has two Sub-schemes - "Sambal" and "Samarthya". While the "Sambal" Sub-scheme is for safety and security of women, the "Samarthya" Sub-scheme is for Empowerment

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of Women *vide* D.O. Letter No. WW-23/1/2021-WWm, dated 14th July, 2022 of the Ministry of Women and Child Development, New Delhi. The components of Sambal and Samarthya are as follows:-

Sambal

- One Stop Centre (OSC)
- Women Helpline (WHL)
- Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP)
- Nari Adalats.

Samarthya

- Shakti Sadan (Ujjwala Homes and Swadhar Greh)
- Anti Human Trafficking Units
- Home for Widows
- Working Women Hostel (WWH)
- Palna - National Creche Scheme for children of working mothers. (NCS)
- Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY)
- Gender Budgeting (GB)
- Hub for Empowerment of Women (HEW).

2. And whereas, as per Guidelines of the Government of India, the Department of Women and Child Development, Puducherry, has requested to designate the Department of Women and Child Development as Nodal Department and the Director, Department of Women and Child Development as Nodal Officer, for implementation of the Gender Budgeting Scheme in the Union territory of Puducherry. "Gender Budgeting (GB)" Scheme is an integral component of 'Samarthya' Scheme a Sub-scheme of 'Mission Shakti' Scheme.

3. Now, therefore, the Lieutenant-Governor, Puducherry, is pleased to designate the Department of Women and Child Development as Nodal Department and the Director, Department of Women and Child Development as Nodal Officer, for implementing the Gender Budgeting Scheme in the Union territory of Puducherry.

The roles and responsibilities of the Nodal Officer include:

(i) Focal point for communication on Gender Budgeting in the Ministry/Department and State/Union Territory and with the Ministry of Women and Child Development, the Nodal Ministry.

(ii) Coordination with Gender Budget Cells, if, constituted in the State/Union Territory as follows-

- (a) Maintain a list of Gender Budget Cells and their members across all Departments in the State/Union Territory;
- (b) Coordinate with Gender Budget Cells (GBCs) of all Departments in the State/Union Territory to ensure they carry out functions in accordance with the Charter of Gender Budget Cells.
- (c) Organize periodic meetings/discussions/consultations with GBCs of Departments in the State/Union Territory for exchanging ideas and getting feedback on the efficacy of sectoral policies and programmes from a gender perspective.
- (d) Suggest further policy interventions for gender equality and women's empowerment.

(iii) Training and Capacity Building on Gender Budgeting-

- (a) Ensure notification of a Nodal Training Institute/Academy for Gender Budgeting in the State/Union Territory. The nodal training institute/academy may have a training calendar on Gender Budgeting.
- (b) Facilitate and organize training/sensitization/capacity building workshops for officials, concerned with formulation, implementation, monitoring and auditing of the State budget from across Departments in the State/Union Territory on understanding gender and Gender Budgeting in collaboration with the Nodal Training Institute. The Gender Budgeting Handbook may be used to guide the trainings, available on the Ministry's website.

- (c) Facilitate institutionalization of training of officials by incorporating Gender Budgeting in the training curriculum of Administrative Training Institutes, State Institute of Rural Development and Departmental Training Institutes.

(iv) *Coordination for Gender Budget Statement-*

- (a) Coordinate with Department of Finance and/or designated Departments to ensure that issuance of Gender Budget. Statement by all Departments is mandated in the Budget Circular of the Financial Year.
- (b) Coordinate with all Departments for submission of Gender Budget Statement with budget submissions for each financial year to the Department of Finance.

(v) *Inter-Departmental Committee on Gender Budgeting-*

- (a) Facilitate setting up of an Inter-Departmental high-level Committee on Gender Budgeting with representation from Nodal Department, Finance, Planning, Health, Education, Agriculture and Line Departments to monitor and evaluate Gender Budgeting plans and policies.
- (b) Facilitate drafting of a State Action Plan (SAP) on Gender Budgeting for the State to guide different Departments/ Institutes to undertake Gender Budgeting initiatives.
- (c) Coordinate periodic meetings of Inter-Departmental Committee to advance Gender Budgeting in the State/ Union Territory.

(vi) *Reporting on Gender Budgeting-*

- (a) Facilitate reporting on Gender Budgeting in the annual reports and other relevant reports of State/Union Territory line Departments alongside working with the General Administration Department or relevant other State Departments.
- (b) Publish information and initiatives taken under Gender Budgeting on the website of the Nodal Department.

- (c) Submit a short annual status and development report on Gender Budgeting to Ministry of Women and Child Development (MWCD) with information on the above-mentioned mechanisms/processes.
- (d) Organize regional learning-sharing meetings on Gender Budgeting to exchange good practices.

4. This issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department *vide* their I.D.No. 30631/FC/FD/F5/A1/2023-24, dated 06-10-2023.

(By order of the Lieutenant-Governor)

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(Women and Child Development).